



got mud?

When land is disturbed and grass or other vegetation is removed, soil particles get washed into our streams, rivers, and lakes. This soil makes our streams muddy and cloudy, and it carries with it dangerous pollutants that damage our waters and our fish.

Soil that washes into our waters is the largest pollution problem facing our nation's rivers and streams. It makes it difficult for fish and other critters to breathe, and contaminates our drinking water. It is also very expensive to remove.

How you can help:

- Inform your local officials about any problem areas where soil is washing into rivers and streams.
- Encourage local officials to adopt and enforce adequate local zoning and construction site erosion ordinances.
- Support responsible land use planning in your community.
- Call your local conservation district and ask how you can help! Find them listed from: stothemudness.net



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