



## With Your Animals

**Scoop, bag and trash your pet waste and install livestock exclusion fencing to avoid polluting streams, rivers and lakes.**

### **Pick Up After Your Pooch**

The waste produced by our canine companions is more than smelly and unsightly – it pollutes our waterways and poses a health risk. Pet waste left on the ground is carried to nearby streams and rivers by rain or melting snow. An average-sized dog dropping contains an estimated 3 billion fecal coliform bacteria and other disease-causing organisms such as salmonella, roundworms and giardia. These bacteria can make water unsafe for drinking or swimming. The next time you take your dog out for a stroll remember to take a plastic bag with you and scoop the poop for cleaner creeks, streets and feet. Receive a dog waste bag dispenser to pick up after your pooch when you order your Watershed Care Package.

### **Keep Livestock Out of Waterways**

A 1,400 pound cow and 1,200 pound horse produce roughly 88 and 60 pounds of waste per day, respectively. Left exposed to the weather, this manure can contribute problematic bacteria and nutrients to nearby waterways. By fencing your livestock out of streams and properly composting manure you can reap the benefits of this natural fertilizer without negatively impacting water quality. For more information on livestock exclusion fencing and manure management contact the [Cascadia Conservation District \(www.cascadiacd.org\)](http://www.cascadiacd.org) and check out Cascadia's [Landowner Assistance Program](#) handout.

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