Whenever it rains, water flows off hundreds of thousands of roofs, into downspouts and down our storm drains. If our downspouts are connected to the underground sewer lines, storm water can overload the lines. Causing sewage to overflow into our rivers—the source of the water we use everyday.

Fortunately, there’s a solution. Many dedicated people and municipalities are working on it.

You can help too. Check with your local community about whether you need to disconnect your downspouts from the sewer system.

Connect a rain barrel to your home’s downspout so the water can be captured, conserved and used later on your yard or garden. Plant trees and other vegetation to reduce storm water runoff from your yard.

To find out more, visit our website. Because the only thing that should flow into our rivers is clean water.

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Clean water starts in our own backyard. Go to 3riverswetweather.org for a free guide on how you can help.