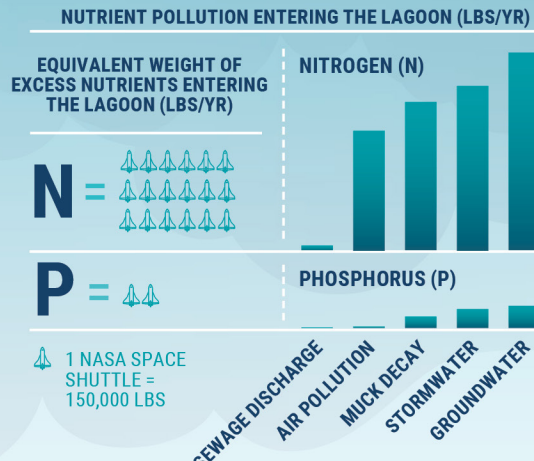


WHAT CAUSES POLLUTION IN THE LAGOON?

Home to thousands of plant and animal species, the Indian River Lagoon is one of the most diverse estuaries in North America.


But decades of population growth and development have led to harmful levels of nutrients and sediments entering the lagoon. These pollutants decrease water quality and feed algal blooms, which negatively impacts seagrass growth. Seagrasses provide foraging and habitat for thousands of aquatic species. Reductions in seagrass populations create environmental changes that affect the entire interconnected lagoon ecosystem.



POLLUTION SOURCE: AIR POLLUTION

Air pollution from power plant emissions, car exhaust, and other fossil fuel-burning sources rains down onto the lagoon.

Regulated by the federal Clean Air Act.



WHAT IS BEING DONE TO HELP THE LAGOON?

In 2016, Brevard County voters passed a half-cent sales tax to benefit lagoon health and restoration.

Brevard County's Save Our Indian River Lagoon Program (SOIRL) was created to prioritize and implement projects to improve the health, productivity, aesthetic appeal, and economic value of the lagoon. Projects are designed to **reduce** pollution and nutrient loading to the lagoon, **remove** accumulated muck, **restore** key points of the lagoon ecosystem and **respond** to changing conditions and information. The SOIRL Program is removing and preventing millions of pounds of nutrients from entering the lagoon by uniting the efforts of county residents, businesses, organizations and government to Save Our Lagoon.

1/2 OF EVERY \$1

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FOR 10 YEARS

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GOES TO REDUCING NUTRIENTS & LAGOON POLLUTION

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TOGETHER WE CAN SAVE OUR LAGOON

MORE INFORMATION

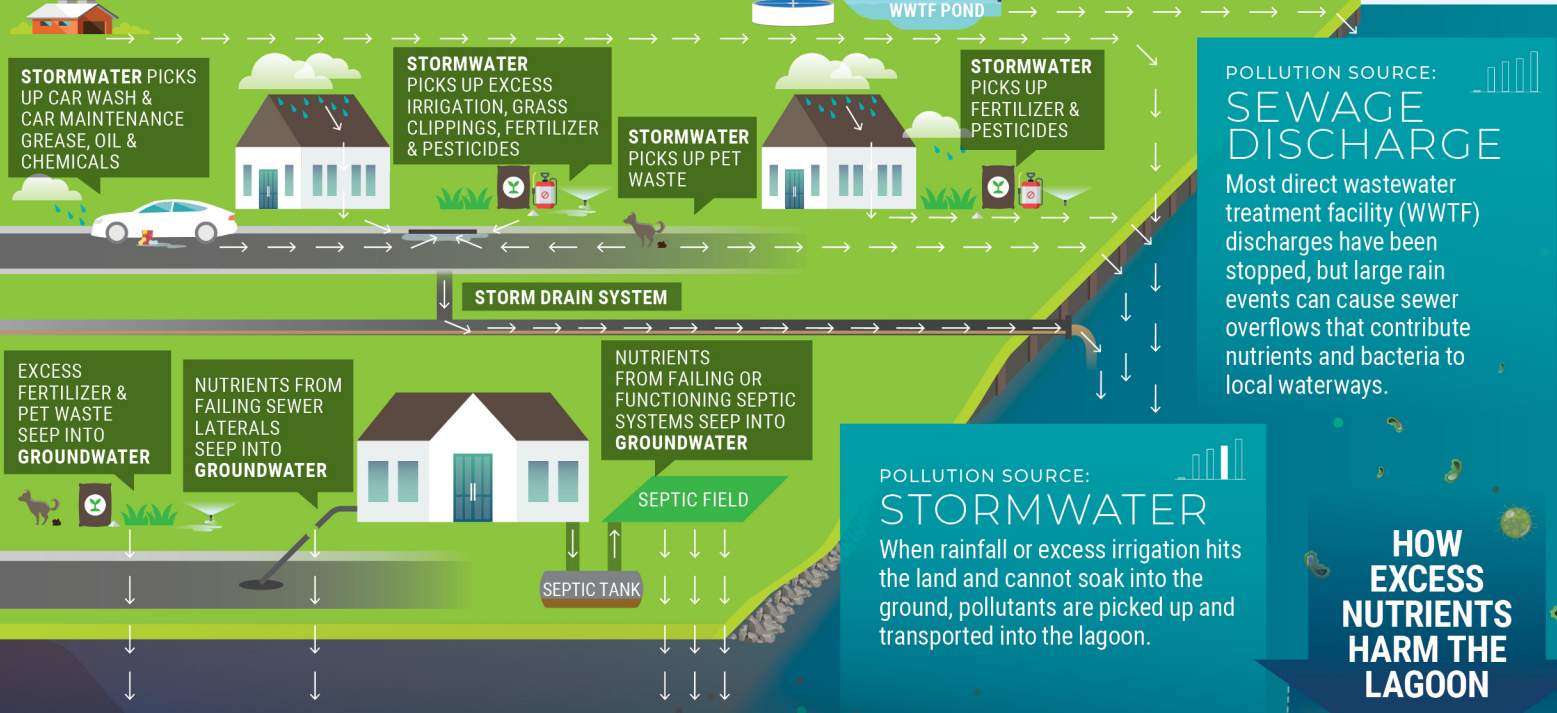
Get Involved!

For information about what you can do to help the lagoon, visit: lagoonloyal.com

For more information about the SOIRL Program: brevardfl.gov/SaveOurLagoon



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HOW EXCESS NUTRIENTS HARM THE LAGOON

