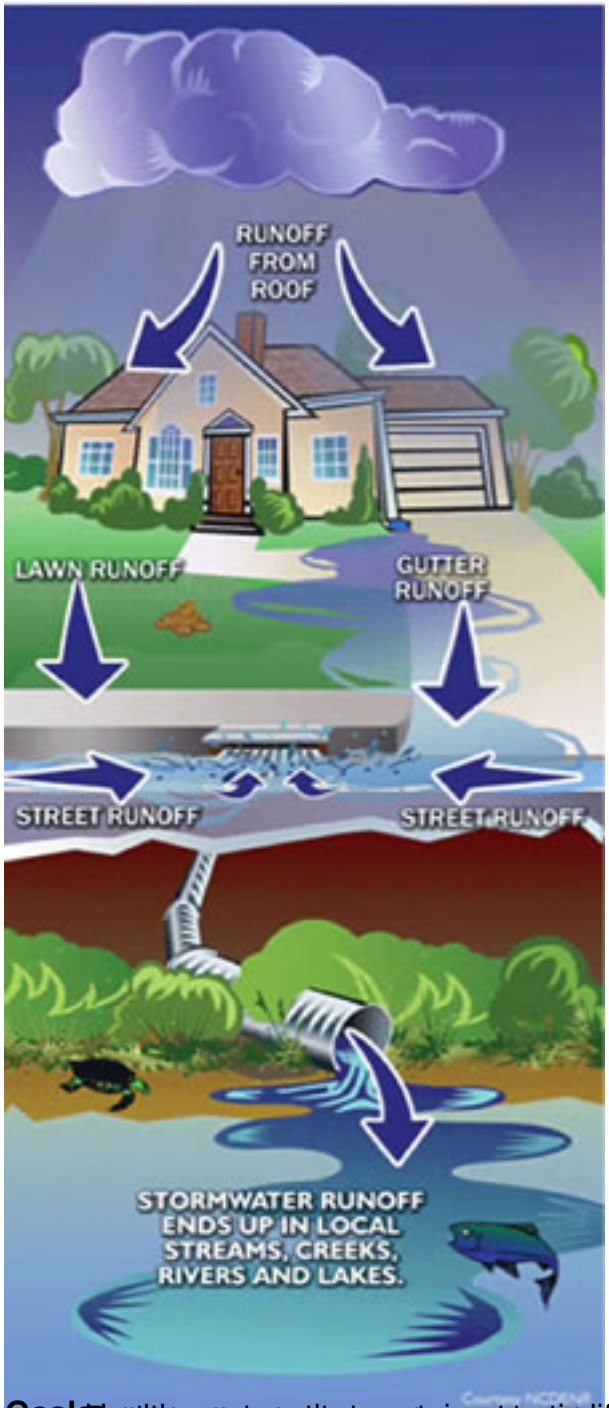
The Billion Gallons a Year (BGY) campaign is helping people to keep their water healthy. Clean water is essential to our families, our neighborhoods and our communities. The value of clean water for water supplies, recreation and other everyday benefits is enormous.

Stormwater runoff from homes, businesses, streets and other hard surfaces is the greatest cause for damages to waters in Massachusetts. This runoff is produced by the entire community and everyone can be part of the solution.

Many organizations are working together to prevent and reduce this common source of water pollution. Project partners are helping people to look at their property and learn how to cleanse polluted runoff. These webpages offer “how-to guides” about low-cost, easy ways to fix stormwater problems.

State, federal and municipal laws focus on the stormwater from new development and redevelopment. While regulations are essential, communities need more help to halt the damages from existing streets, buildings, parking and other impervious areas. Runoff from these hard surfaces can be improved by the voluntary actions of homeowners, schools, businesses, churches and other entities. Many small efforts by you and your neighbors will add up to big improvements for our water.

The BGY provides community-wide stormwater solutions



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