

STORMWATER  
RUNOFF CARRIES  
POLLUTANTS INTO  
THE RAIN GARDEN

POLLUTANTS WE CAN SEE

sediment

litter

animal  
droppings

oil and gas

biodegrades

become food  
for plants

settles out

gets trapped

precipitates

CLEANER  
WATER  
LEAVES

is used by plants

breaks down

road salt

storm drain

is killed  
by sun

fertilizer  
(nitrogen and phosphorus)

pesticide

bacteria

POLLUTANTS WE CAN'T SEE

Underground pipe to Seine River

600 m

outlet  
at the  
Seine River

