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Tenth Annual POSTER/ESSAY CONTEST NON-POINT SOURCE STORM WATER POLLUTION AND SOLUTIONS

In an effort to increase public awareness of Non-point Source Storm Water Pollution, the Jefferson Parish Department of Environmental Affairs announces the **10th Annual Non-point Source Pollution & Solutions Poster and Essay Contest** for Jefferson Parish public, private and parochial school students in grades 3 through 8. The goal of this contest is to demonstrate non-point sources of urban storm water pollution and to involve students in identifying solutions.

Students in 3rd through 6th grades will participate in a poster contest, while students in the 7th and 8th grades will participate in an essay contest. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place and Honorable Mention in each grade level. Entries will depict or describe at least one source of Nonpoint Source (NPS) Pollution such as oil leaks from cars, along with an appropriate solution, in this case, maintaining vehicles. Contest entries must be postmarked by January 15, 2010. Prizes will be presented at an Awards Ceremony in the spring. This program is supported by local corporate sponsors. More information on Non-Point Source Pollution, its causes and solutions, can be found at <http://www.epa.gov/>.

Businesses interested in sponsorship of this successful community project, schools interested in participation, or for more information, please contact Scott Finney, with the Jefferson Parish Department of Environmental Affairs at 731-4612 or sfinney@jeffparish.net.

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