

# Reroute

## DISCONNECT YOUR ROOF LEADER!

For every inch of rain, as much as 600 gallons of storm runoff is collected by your roof leader. Once that clean water enters the sewer system and mixes with wastewater, it overwhelms the sanitary sewer system, causing backups and overflows into the Mohawk River.

*Learn more and find easy do-it-yourself instructions on the reverse side.*



OPERATION  
*Ripple Effect*<sup>TM</sup>

Visit **RippleEffectOCSD.org** to learn how you can reclaim your excess water for use around your home!

***Home and business owners can follow these three simple steps to help keep the Mohawk River clean:***

**REROUTE:** Disconnect your Roof Leaders

**RECLAIM:** Install a Rain Barrel

**RECHARGE:** Plant a Rain Garden



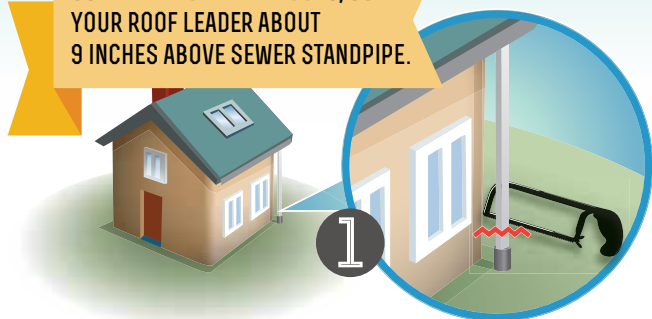
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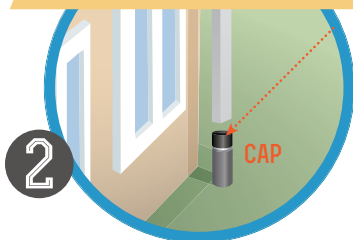
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Estimates show that a roof 1,000 square feet in size can produce more than 600 gallons of storm runoff for every 1 inch of rain. When that clean water mixes with wastewater, it all becomes contaminated and can end up in the Mohawk River.

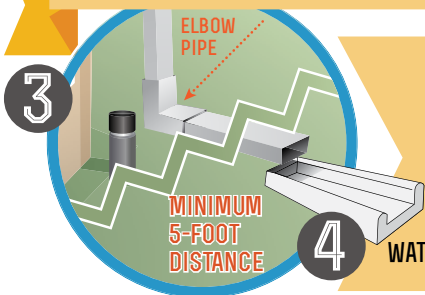
USING APPROPRIATE TOOLS, CUT YOUR ROOF LEADER ABOUT 9 INCHES ABOVE SEWER STANDPIPE.



CAP STANDPIPE TO KEEP ADDITIONAL RUNOFF STORM WATER FROM ENTERING SEWERS.



SECURELY FIT & ATTACH ELBOW PIPE TO CUT END OF ROOF LEADER.



ADD EXTENSION PIPE, DIRECTING AT LEAST 5 FEET FROM HOUSE.

A SPLASH BLOCK CAN HELP DIRECT WATER AWAY FROM HOUSE.