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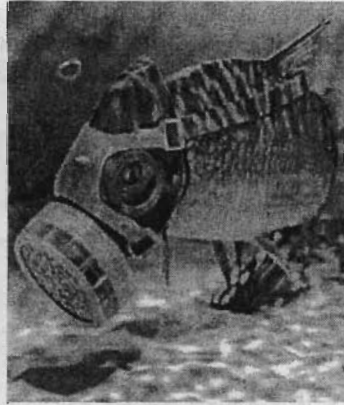
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Wastewater treatment plants do a good job at removing common pollutants from the wastewater, but a nationwide U.S. geological survey done in 2002, indicates that some man-made chemicals are still getting through.

Some of those chemicals include antibiotics and drugs such as Prozac, estrogens and steroids that are being put in the drain and finding their way into lakes, rivers and streams and, subsequently, the fish that inhabit them.

Concentrations at this point appear to be low, but we must all do our part to keep this pollutant at a minimum. Do not put prescription drugs down the sink drain or flush them down the toilet. So then, what do you do with outdated or no longer used prescription drugs?

Most pharmacies have a program where they will take these prescription drugs back and return them to a drug company for proper disposal.



This is the second in a series about pollution issues provided by the City of Harrison Public Works Department.

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