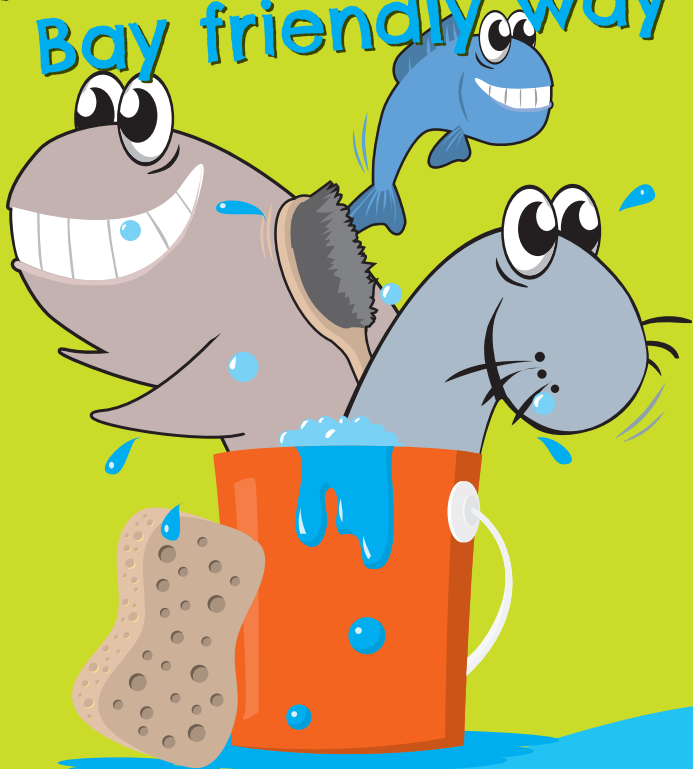


Wash your cars & boats the Roebuck Bay friendly way



Washing cars or boats on cement driveways isn't good for Roebuck Bay. The soapy water is likely to contain Phosphorous and chemicals which can run down the driveway and into stormwater drains on the roads.

These pollutants are then washed into Roebuck bay during wet season downpours. Phosphorous in detergents can be food for the blooms of Lyngbya, which have been worsening in Roebuck Bay in recent years. These blooms impact the marine life in Roebuck Bay.

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Anglers report that salmon avoid waters where Lyngbya is blooming and dugongs are not feeding on affected seagrass.

Lyngbya can be bad for people too, causing skin rashes and breathing difficulties if touched.

So wash cars and boats "The Roebuck Bay Friendly Way", to help stop blooms of Lyngbya and keep our fish, dugongs and marine life healthy and abundant!

- Use Phosphorus Free detergents (NP or P)
- Wash cars and boats on the lawn or garden, not on cement driveways or roads, then nutrients in the soapy water are used by plants to grow
- Use a bucket instead of a hose to stop soapy water running into stormwater drains on the road
- If using a hose, turn it off when not rinsing
- Even better, use a fibre technology cleaning cloth, a bucket of water and elbow grease
- Dispose the bucket of soapy water onto the garden or lawn so the plants use the nutrients

Produced by the award winning Roebuck Bay Working Group to keep our bay free of Lyngbya blooms.

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