#### Every little wait helps

**WAIT**ing to use water in your home can make a big difference during heavy storms.

So if you want to help keep NYC's waterways clean, during downpours please:



WAIT to do dishes





The **WAIT... App** makes it easy to know when to **WAIT**, and when it's okay to start using water again.



# Help keep NYC waterways clean

#### Make a difference

Whenever there's heavy rain, New York City's sewers can fill to capacity and a mix of stormwater and wastewater can end up in our natural waterways.

During storms the **WAIT... App** will tell you it's time to **WAIT** to use water in your home, like doing laundry or washing dishes. When the rain passes the app will tell you when it's okay to restart.

By **WAIT**ing, you make it easier for our sewers to do their job, and you help protect NYC's waterways and marine wildlife.



## About DEP

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) protects public health and the environment by supplying clean drinking water, collecting and treating wastewater, and reducing air, noise, and hazardous materials pollution.

We provide a billion gallons of water and treat 1.3 billion gallons of wastewater for nine million New Yorkers every day. Over the next 10 years we plan to invest \$14 billion in infrastructure and other projects to improve our city.

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Download the free **WAIT... App**, and see how you can make a difference.



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#### Why WAIT...?

Whenever you do laundry, wash the dishes, shower, or flush the toilet, the water used goes down the drain and into the sewer. But when there's heavy rain, that wastewater shares the sewer with LOTS of rainwater. That can cause our sewers to fill to capacity and send a mix of rainwater and wastewater right into our waterways.

#### WAITing works

New York City's waterways are making a comeback. They are the cleanest and safest they've been in 100 years. Many species of fish, shellfish and even seals all make their homes in the New York Harbor. When we all pitch in and **WAIT**, we can continue to enjoy our waterways and wildlife can, too.

CLEANEST WATERWAY

IN 100 YEARS!

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#### WAITing by the numbers

WAITing to do laundry keeps as much as **25 gallons** of water out of the sewer

WAITing to do the dishes can save up to 15 gallons of water or more

WAITing to take a shower can save as much as 17 gallons of water

**WAIT**ing to flush helps keep **2 gallons** of water from going down the drain

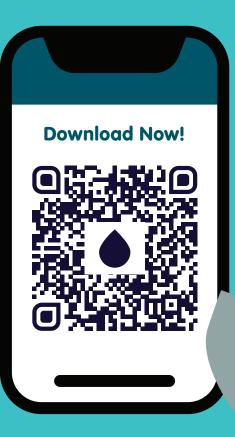
Even **WAIT**ing to shave or brush your teeth saves an average of **2** gallons per minute



## Download the WAIT... App Now!

The **WAIT... App** will let you know when it's time to **WAIT** to use water...

And will tell you when it's okay to begin again.



Simply scan this QR code with the QR code reader app on your iPhone or Android, or visit wait.nyc to download the free **WAIT... App**.