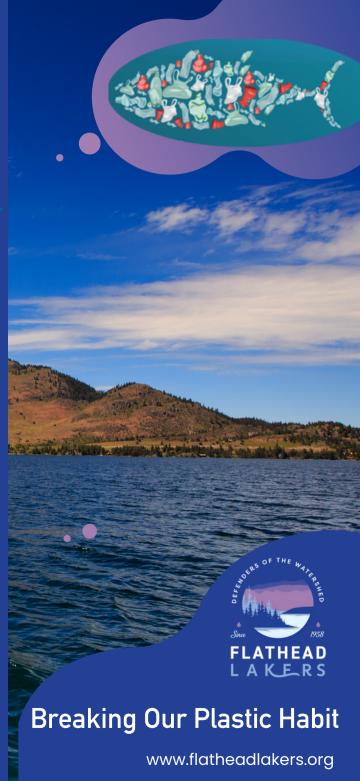




Flathead Lakers

Since 1958, our mission has been to protect clean water, healthy ecosystems, and a lasting quality of life in the Flathead watershed.





Problem With Plastics

Once plastic reaches the environment in the form of macro- or microplastics, it contaminates and accumulates in food chains through agricultural soils, terrestrial and aquatic food chains, and the water supply. This environmental plastic can easily leach toxic additives or concentrate toxins already in the environment, making them bioavailable again for direct or indirect human exposure.

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found waste items were made from plastic-including cigarette butts,

which contain plastic filters. This excessive amount of plastic waste is

only going to continue year after year unless we take action to stop it.

Plastic Pollution

- 99% of plastics come from fossil fuels
- 34% of plastic use is for packaging
- 20% of oil consumption will be for plastics by 2050
- Plastic production releases toxic chemicals
- 5% of plastic gets recycled

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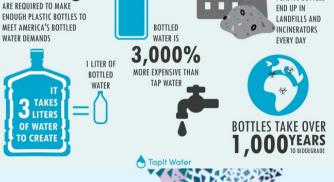
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What Can We Do?

- Reduce plastic use
- Participate in a cleanup
- Support local zero waste policy

Reducing Plastic Use

o1. Bring your own shopping bag

02. Carry a reusable water bottle

03. Bring your own mug

Choose metal or glass food containers and storage options instead of plastic ones

Say no to disposable straws and cutlery

Buy food and cleaning products in bulk to avoid useless plastic wrappings

O7. Avoid To Go food containers made of plastic and styrofoam

