The Storm Water Issue

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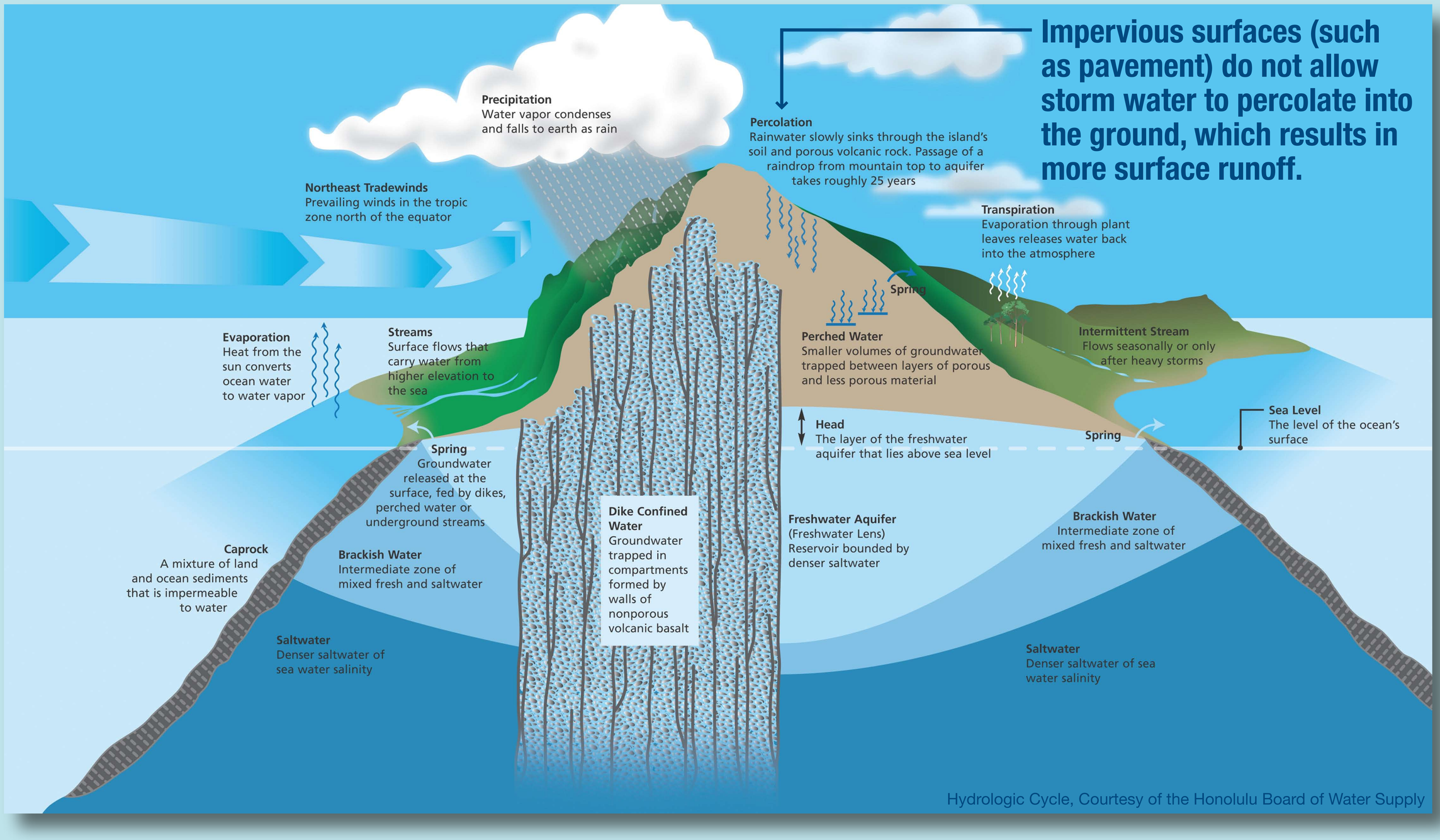
The Hydrologic Cycle

Impervious surfaces (such as pavement) do not allow storm water to percolate into the ground, which results in more surface runoff.

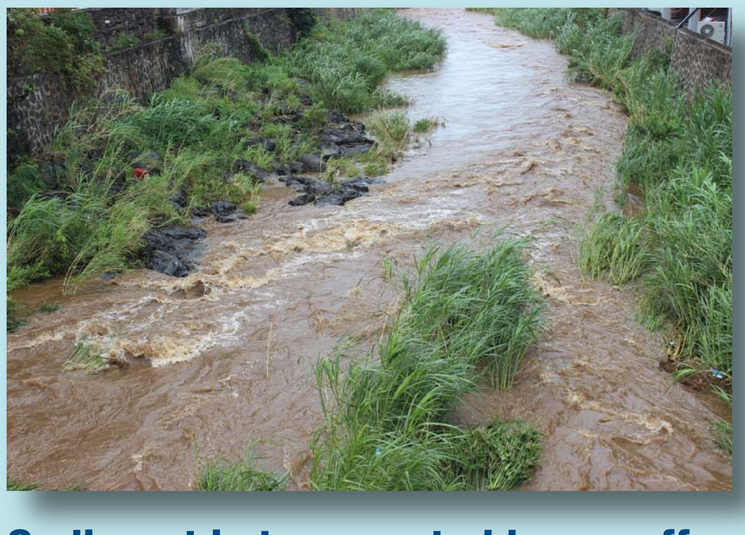


Hydrologic Cycle, Courtesy of the Honolulu Board of Water Supply

Storm water runoff carries pollutants to streams and the ocean.

Runoff flows pick up trash and other pollutants, depositing them into our streams and the ocean.

Water flow over bare slopes can lead to erosion, causing dirt and sediment to flow into sidewalks, gutters, and streets.



Sediment is transported by runoff to the ocean and endangers reefs by clouding the water and blocking sunlight.