

# SUMMER STORMWATER SOLUTIONS



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Stormwater runoff is rainwater that flows over lawns, driveways and streets, picking up pollutants along the way and carrying them straight into our waterways. This summer you can help to reduce stormwater runoff by following the tips below!

## SUMMER STORMWATER TIPS FOR YOUR PROPERTY

- **Water Wisely:** Water lawns early in the morning or late evening to reduce water loss through evaporation. Avoid overwatering which can lead to runoff.
- **Use Fertilizers & Pesticides Sparingly:** Only apply when necessary and follow label instructions. Never apply before rain is expected!
- **Mow Smart:** Keep grass longer (3") to absorb more water. Leave clippings on the lawn as a natural fertilizer - never blow into streets or storm drains!
- **Wash Cars the Right Way:** Take your car to a commercial car wash where water is treated. If washing at home, do it on grass or gravel so water can soak in.
- **Try a Summer-Friendly Project:** Plant native flowers, shrubs or trees that soak up rain. Install a rain barrel to collect and reuse stormwater!

**SIMPLE STEPS YOU CAN TAKE AT HOME TO PROTECT LOCAL STREAMS & CREEKS!**



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