

FALL STORMWATER TIPS

Simple steps you can take at home to protect local waterways this fall.



LEAVE THE LEAVES

Mulch leaves into you lawn, rake them into garden beds or add them to a compost pile. This returns vital nutrients to the soil and keeps yard waste out of stormwater.



SKIP THE FERTILIZER

Fall is a good time to give your lawn a break from fertilizer, which can pollute our waterways. If you do fertilize, follow the label and never apply it before heavy rain.



GIVE THE RAIN A PLACE TO GO

Keep storm drains clear of leaves and debris. Consider adding a rain garden or planting native trees and shrubs to help capture runoff.



PLANT NATIVES

Fall is a great time to plant native trees, shrubs and perennials. Their roots help absorb stormwater, reduce erosion and protect water quality.



Small changes around your property can make a difference for your local streams!

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