

LAWN CLIPPINGS AND YARD WASTES

Stormwater runoff is rainwater that goes over sidewalks, driveways and parking lots into the streets and down into the storm drainage system. The pollutants collected by the rainwater travel through underground pipes to the waters where we swim and fish.



To reduce stormwater pollution, sweep grass clippings and leaves off sidewalks and streets and place them in a compost heap or in the trash. They should never be swept or blown into the street since the debris will then enter the stormwater system and can harm the water quality.

Regularly inspect your nearby storm drainage system to ensure that it is not being blocked by lawn debris, sediment or litter. If the drainage system is clogged or impaired in any way, contact the City's Public Works Department.



Remember that we all benefit from increased water quality and the flood protection that a well-run storm drainage system provides.