

Clean Streets, Clean Creeks

Did You Know? The number one source of water pollution in the USA is the polluted water that runs off our lawns, driveways, streets, & rooftops - multiplied by thousands of homes and businesses.

So What? The runoff can carry grass clippings and leaves, car oil or other car fluids, and sand and dirt into our creeks, lakes and rivers.

What You Can Do!

Leave the clippings The grass can use the nutrients from clippings that aren't left in piles. It's a way to Grasscycle; check out the Anoka County website for more info.

Sweep 'em up! Sweep grass clippings off the street, driveway, sidewalk, or other paved areas back onto the lawn. Don't want to sweep? Mow so that clippings stay on the lawn.

Adopt-a-drain Keep the stormdrain grate nearest your property clear of debris and trash so it can drain. **Remember, safety first!** Stormdrains are in roadways; adults need to be present when cleaning them. Then, use the other three Rs:
Recycle any trash possible
Return the clippings to the nearby lawn by scattering them or try composting them, and **Report** any paint, oil, or similar products poured into the drain to the City.



Let Dawn at Coon Creek Watershed District know that you've adopted a catchbasin so it can get on the Get Involved! map on our website.

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