

SAVE OUR WATER WAYS!

PHOSPHORUS AWARENESS

Too much nitrogen & phosphorus in the water causes algae to grow faster than ecosystems can handle. This leads to algal blooms, tainted fish & contaminated drinking water!



USE NO-PHOSPHORUS FERTILIZER ON LAWNS & GARDENS

Be sure to check the bags when you buy fertilizer. Look for the package formula of nitrate-phosphorus-potassium, such as 22-0-15. The middle number, representing phosphorus, should be 0

KEEP GRASS CLIPPINGS IN THE YARD

When mowing the grass, avoid blowing grass clippings into the street, where they wash into storm sewers that drain to the river & lake



KEEP LEAVES & OTHER ORGANIC MATTER OUT OF THE STREET

Just like grass clippings, everything blown into the street ends up in the river & lake! Sweep up any grass, leaves or fertilizer spills

LEAVE A WIDE STRIP OF DEEP-ROOTED PLANTS ALONG SHORELAND

Instead of planting & mowing grass here, plant wildflowers, ornamental grasses, shrubs or trees. These plants absorb & filter runoff, as well as provide habitat for wildlife

