

10 THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP PREVENT

STORMWATER RUNOFF POLLUTION

- 10. Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and gutters.
- 9. Never dump anything down storm drains or in streams.
- 8. Vegetate bare spots in your yard.
- 7. Compost your yard waste.
- 6. Use least toxic pesticides, follow labels, and learn how to prevent pest problems.
- 5. Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces; consider a rain garden to capture runoff.
- 4. Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in the driveway.
- 3. Check your car for leaks and recycle your motor oil.
- 2. Pick up after your pet.
- **1.** Have your septic tank pumped and system inspected regularly.