

Ten Things That You Can Do To Help

- 1) Make sure all bare ground is covered or seeded.
- 2) Do not dump anything into storm drains. If you see illegal dumping, report it to the City of St. Albans Stormwater Hotline (304) 722-3391 x106.
- 3) Be careful not to overuse fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides. Use alternatives when possible.
- 4) Compost your yard waste, sweep up grass clippings, and tree trimmings from driveways and streets, and never place them close to storm drains and ditches.
- 5) Clean up your pet waste, and flush it down the toilet, or send it to the landfill in a garbage bag.
- 6) Keep any oil, gasoline, antifreeze, and other automotive supplies, and household chemicals stored properly. Keep containers sealed tightly, and recycle any used oils and fluids.
- 7) Never drop litter in the yard, or streets where it can find its way into the storm drain system (including cigarette butts).
- 8) Refrain from washing your car on the street or in your driveway. Wash it at the carwash, or on your lawn to keep the water out of our storm sewer system.
- 9) Maintain your septic system properly. Inspect it annually, and have it pumped out every three years. Don't use garbage disposals with septic systems, and be careful not to run chemicals into your drains that will interfere with the septic treatment process.
- 10) Get involved with local volunteer groups that promote conservation, and cleanliness of our city.