

# Stormwater Is Everybody's Business

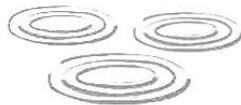
## Best Lawn Care Practices Save Time, Money and Prevent Stormwater Pollution.

- ◆ **MOW HIGH** - Set your mower at the highest setting to create deeper root systems that are more drought tolerant and to choke out weeds. Leave grass clippings on lawn to fertilize naturally.
- ◆ **WATER DEEPLY** - and only when necessary. Water at cool times of the day to prevent fungus growth and excess water evaporation.
- ◆ **USE FERTILIZERS and PESTICIDES WISELY** - Test your soil first and apply only the nutrients that your lawn needs. Excess fertilizers cause nitrogen pollution of streams. Use pesticides only when you have a problem. Over use of chemicals will harm beneficial soil organisms.
- ◆ **REDUCE MOWABLE LAWN SIZE** - Create more garden areas using native plants. These areas increase stormwater infiltration and create wildlife habitat.



**Soil Test Kits**- Soil test kits are available from the Penn State Cooperative Extension office in Chester County for \$6.00. For more information call **610-696-3500** or visit **www.aasi.psu.edu**

**Residents, municipalities, businesses and developers need to work together to prevent stormwater pollution.**



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