

Only rain down storm drains

The return of spring brings yardwork and other outdoor activities.

But please remember as you cut your lawn, tend your garden and work on your car: We need your help to ensure only rain goes down stormwater drains.

City streets and storm drains are designed to allow rain to drain directly to nearby creeks and rivers.

We don't want yard waste, chemicals, or other matter to enter our storm drain system and flow to creeks or rivers because that will pollute our waterways.

Winston's Public Works sweep streets year-round to help keep debris from clogging storm drains and to keep that excess organic matter out of rivers and creeks.

Here's how you can help keep our creeks and rivers healthy:

- Properly dispose of leaves, lawn clippings and pet waste.
- Never put paints, chemicals, motor oil, concrete wash, or other solid waste into drains.
- Don't over-fertilize or over-irrigate.
- Clear debris from storm drains.

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