Have your septic tank pumped and septic system inspected regularly.

Check car for leaks and recycle used motor oil. Never pour it on the ground or into a storm drain.

Minimize pesticides; learn about Integrated Pest Management (IPM).

Compost yard wastes—leaves and grass. Don’t dump them in ditches or waterways.

Direct downspouts onto lawns and away from paved surfaces.

Plant grass or plants on the bare spots in your yard.

Follow directions on fertilizer labels and sweep off driveways, sidewalks, and roads so that the chemicals won’t get into storm drains.

Pick up after your pet. Don’t let pet waste wash into storm drains.

Take your car to a car wash or park it on the grass to wash so that the cleaners don’t run off into storm drains.

NEVER pour any kind of waste into storm drains.

Clean water begins at home...

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