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.

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**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**

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