



WINTER MS4 TIPS

SHOVEL

Always shovel snow off of storm drains that are near your property. Shovel snow into vegetated areas, where meltwater can soak into the ground. This reduces runoff that goes down storm drains and directly to rivers and streams.

MARK DRAINS

Mark your storm drains in late fall prior to snow fall. This will show you where to shovel during each snowfall. Keeping your drains clean of snow is an easy way to prevent flooding.

MAINTAIN

Winterize vehicles to prevent leaks. Wash cars at a commercial carwash, where soapy water does not enter the storm sewer system.

USE LESS

A little salt goes a long way. Apply sparingly and remove slush once the snow melts to prevent refreezing. Salt in our stormwater system can be harmful to aquatic life.

STORE SAFELY

Practice good housekeeping by storing salt and other de-icers under a roof or other cover to minimize polluted runoff.

