

*Find yourself next to the water.*



## **KEEP IT ON THE LAWN**

Grass clippings may seem harmless, but they can cause major problems.

- They clog storm drains and pipes causing back ups and added costs for maintenance.
- Harms aquatic wildlife by adding excess nutrients to our lakes and streams that create algae blooms.



To keep grass clippings off streets and out of waterways, try the following:

- Use the clippings as a free source of mulch
- Add clippings to your compost pile
- Place clippings in approved yard waste bags and put them out for collection
- Bring them to the Public Works drop off site Monday – Friday 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM or the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

By keeping it “on the lawn” you can help protect our streams, lakes, and aquatic life as well as our public infrastructure for future generations.

Fertilizers, grass clippings, leaves, twigs, and similar yard wastes may **NOT** be directed onto public streets, alleys, sidewalks, and onto other areas where they may enter the storm water system or public waters untreated (per City Ordinance 750(B)(3)(h)).

**Thank you for your cooperation!**

**City of Ashland Public Works Department and Department of Planning & Development**