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MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) Public Education

MS4 permit for the City of Glencoe is mandated by federal regulations under the Clean Water Act and administered by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) and is designed to protect our rivers, streams and lakes from polluted storm water runoff.

The City of Glencoe's primary goal for MS4 is to improve water quality by reducing pollutants in storm water discharges into waters of Buffalo Creek.

The City of Glencoe storm water frequently contains litter, oil, chemicals, toxic metals, sediment, grease, fertilizers, pesticides, pet waste, trash, bacteria and excess nutrients like nitrogens and phosphorous, which cause poor water quality.

Citizens can make simple changes to reduce storm water pollution and improve the quality of local waterways by:

- **Fertilizing with phosphorous –free fertilizer (don't overspray into streets).**
- **Sweep up and dispose of grass clippings – do not sweep into curb.**
- **When washing vehicles, direct water onto lawn to soak up soap.**
- **Find attractive alternatives to impervious driveways.**
- **Direct your home's gutters/downspouts onto your lawn.**
- **Contact Public Works Office if you detect any oil, gas, grease spills on roadways that may filter into the storm water system.**

If you have questions, or require more information, please contact Mark Lemen, Public Works Director, City of Glencoe, 320-864-6954, or go to MPCA website: www.pca.state.mn.us/stormwater.