

# DON'T CLUTTER THE GUTTER

Ever think of that storm drain in front of your home as waterfront property? Sure, the view isn't the same, but it does connect your property directly to nearby waterways, without any treatment detours. That's why it's so important to keep grass clippings, compost, detergents, fertilizers and chemicals out of the storm drain. The water — not to mention the ducks, fish and everyone else — will be healthier without it.



Clean water. It starts with you.

For ten simple ways you can help protect the water, visit [mnwaterconnection.com](http://mnwaterconnection.com)

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