

PROTECT YOUR WATERSHED

Winter Tips

ADOPT A DRAIN

Have you adopted a drain yet? Storm drains need to be cared for even in the winter. Do your part to care for our watershed and adopt a drain today!

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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.

SHOVEL

Always shovel storm
drains from the
sidewalk. Shovel snow
onto vegetated areas,
where meltwater can
soak into the ground.
This reduces runoff
that goes down storm
drains and directly to
rivers and streams.

STORE SAFELY

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

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 clear of snow is
an easy way to
prevent flooding.

MAINTAIN

Winterize vehicles to prevent leaks. Wash cars at a commercial car wash, where soapy water is reused or goes to the sanitary sewer.



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