

STORMWATER FACT SHEET



Per City Code Section 14-3, You may NOT dispose of debris along streets, curbs or near storm drains. All grass clippings are to be disposed of properly at the West Wayne Street Compost Site.

How You can Protect Water Quality & Keep Drainage Ways Open

The City of Kendallville MS4 have the responsibility of managing miles of inlets, curbs, pipes, & ditches. Local stormwater management practices address both the **quantity** and **quality** of stormwater throughout The City of Kendallville.

Protecting our local Water Resources

One goal of the City of Kendallville Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit is raising awareness of residents, businesses and visitors on how their actions can impact stormwater quality.



To report a Polluter: Call 260-347-1362

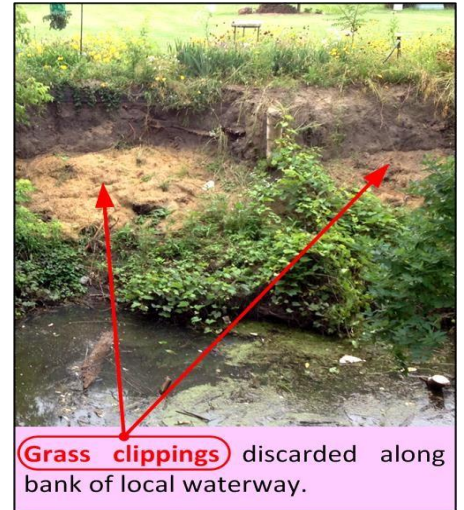
or email wpc@kendallville-in.org or

Visit <http://kendallville-in.org/departments/ms4/polluter.aspx> for more information.

The Situation...

Our local drainage inlets, curbs, pipes and ditches are critical components of the stormwater conveyance system. For these systems to function properly, Staff perform periodic inspections and works to clear obstructions. During our inspections, we have found grass clippings and yard waste that have been dumped along the banks of and into local ditches as well as in our streets.

Along with reducing the conveyance capacity of local drainage ways, decaying yard debris such as grass clippings, branch cuttings, and leaves in waterways can release nutrients leading to weed and algae growth and use up oxygen leading to poor water quality.



What we have found in

local pipes & ditches that degrades our local water quality:

- Grass Clippings
- Discarded Tires
- Trash and Debris

What Can You Do to Protect Water Quality?

- Do not dump, blow or sweep yard waste into a ditch, street, or storm drain.
- Leave grass clippings on your lawn to act as a natural fertilizer and soil conditioner.
- Compost leaves and grass clippings, producing a mulch for flower beds and gardens.
- Bag or containerize waste for yard waste collection.

Our local waterways can look like this ... Or With your help They can look like this :

