The City of Vineland is proud to provide you with this guide to healthy habits for cleaner water. As a municipality, we have legal responsibilities to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, in the form of City Ordinances — rules that are necessary to protect our water supplies from pollution and contamination.

It is everyone’s responsibility to adhere to these rules and follow suggestions in this guide, to ensure clean water for ourselves and future generations.

City of Vineland
Stormwater Ordinances

No Feeding Public Wildlife
No person shall feed, in a public park or on any other property owned or operated by the City of Vineland, any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (for example, wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers, or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers).

Ordinance No. 2006-29 Section II

Yard Waste Collection
Sweeping, raking, blowing or otherwise placing yard waste that is not containerized at the curb or along the street is only allowed during the seven (7) days prior to a scheduled and announced collection, and shall not be placed closer than ten (10) feet from any storm drain inlet. Placement of such yard waste at the curb or along the street at any other time in any other manner is a violation of this Ordinance. If such placement of yard waste occurs, the party responsible for placement of the yard waste must remove the yard waste from the street or said party shall be deemed in violation of this Ordinance.

Ordinance No. 2006-30 Section II

Spilling or Dumping
The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by the City of Vineland is prohibited. The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater in such a manner as to cause the discharge of pollutants to the municipal separate storm sewer system is also prohibited.

Ordinance No. 2006-27 Section II

No Illicit Connections
No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged through an illicit connection to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by the City of Vineland any domestic sewage, non-contact cooling water, process wastewater, or other industrial waste (other than stormwater).

Ordinance No. 2006-26 Section II

Pet Waste
All pet owners and keepers are required to immediately and properly dispose of their pet’s solid waste deposited on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by that person.

Ordinance No. 2006-28 Section II

The City of Vineland
Storm Drain Water Protection Guide
for protecting our groundwater

Our clean water depends on you

Keepin’ it clean!
City of Vineland
New Jersey
www.vinelandcity.org/recycle.html
Let’s all join together to protect our water!

**Water pollution is a growing problem in the world today.**

The City of Vineland wants to help our residents understand the dangers of water pollution. The simple everyday things we do may be harmful, such as improper disposal of pet waste, motor oil, grass clippings and fertilizers. If not disposed of properly, these contaminants could end up in our drinking water in one way or another. With your help, we can prevent this and promote cleaner, healthier groundwater.

The City of Vineland has instituted City Ordinances to help residents understand more clearly the rules and restrictions for waste disposal that may contaminate our water. **Here are things to remember:**

**Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides**
- Make sure you need to fertilize before you apply.
- Do not apply fertilizer if rain is predicted.
- Make sure you follow all instructions on how to apply both fertilizer and pesticides.

**Dispose of hazardous products properly**

Some examples of hazardous products are: cleaning products, lawn and garden products, motor oil, and paints.

- Do not pour any products down a drain. Watch for the City of Vineland’s Household Hazardous Waste Day. This will allow you to properly dispose of any hazardous products you may have accumulated.

**Do not litter**
- Place all trash in proper cans.
- Always remember to recycle.
- Help out with City clean-up projects.

**Please clean up after your pet**
- Pick up and dispose of your pet’s waste.
- Use newspaper, bags or pooper scooper.
- Dispose of pet waste in the trash or in a toilet.
- Never dispose in a storm drain.

**Dispose of yard waste properly**
- Loose grass clippings can NOT be placed at the curb or in the street at any time. All grass clippings must be bagged or in a container.
- Leaves must be bagged separately.
- Use grass and leaves as compost.
- Call for a current collection schedule for leaves and branches.

For further information on the new ordinances you can contact the City of Vineland City Clerk’s Office at 856-794-4060. Questions or concerns may be directed to the City of Vineland Public Works Office at either 856-794-4250 or 856-794-4089. For more information: [www.vinelandcity.org/recycle.html](http://www.vinelandcity.org/recycle.html) Additional information can also be found on the Internet: [www.njstormwater.org](http://www.njstormwater.org)

**Why are there fish on my storm drain?**

Stormwater runoff is a precipitation from rain or snowmelt that flows over the ground. Each time it rains, cigarette butts, litter, pet waste, motor oil, antifreeze, lawn chemicals, and other pollutants reach local waterways through storm drains. Known as non-point source pollution, it is the largest threat to our waterways today. This pollution is discharged, untreated, into the water bodies that we use for swimming, fishing, and for providing drinking water.

The “Fish on Every Storm Drain” seal alerts the neighborhood about a pollution problem that can be corrected primarily through public education, and lets everyone know that the only thing that should be entering the storm drain is water!

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