

REMEMBER!
When it rains,
it drains...



Please Do Your Part to Keep Muskego's Lakes and Streams Clean!

- Don't dump anything into storm drains - these drain into our lakes. Unlike the water from toilets and sinks, the water going to storm sewers is not treated at a wastewater treatment plant or in a septic system.
- Direct downspouts and runoff from pavement to grassy, planted, or wooded areas of your property. Or better yet, into a rain garden. This way more water filters through vegetation and soaks into the ground.
- Pick up litter and pet waste - waste ends up in our streams & lakes through ditches and storm drains.
- Reduce fertilizer and pesticide use. Use phosphorus-free fertilizer on lawns or mulch lawn clippings as a natural fertilizer.
- Wash cars at commercial car washes - as this water is treated in the sanitary sewer system. If washing your car at home, wash over a lawn area and use eco-friendly cleaning agents.
- Inspect your vehicles & equipment for leaking and damaged parts.
- If you see a suspicious discharge to a water body, storm drain, or ditch, please contact the City of Muskego at (262) 679-4156

... to the lake!

Neighbor Bob thinks his
actions couldn't pollute the
lakes...

Think again Bob!



Bob uses a lot of lawn fertilizer



Bob washes his car in the driveway



Bob doesn't pick up after "Bubba"



Bob's car leaks oil

Storm Drain Markers & Stencils

The City of Muskego requires storm drains on new streets to have circular metal markers that remind folks that the water drains to the lakes. Some older areas of the City have been marked with stencils. If you are interested in having a group of citizens stencil storm drains in your neighborhood contact: Waukesha County Land & Water Conservation Division at (262) 896-8305 for more information.



Clean Water One Step at a Time



Learn how you can help at
www.waukeshacounty.gov/cleanwater



My Green Resolution:
I will help keep the environment clean!



We can all help reduce pollution in area lakes and streams. Rain gardens and rain barrels are an easy way to start. Sign up by **January 31st** to order ½ price rain garden plants. Call **262-896-8305** for more information or get it all online under the rain gardens/barrels tab at

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