

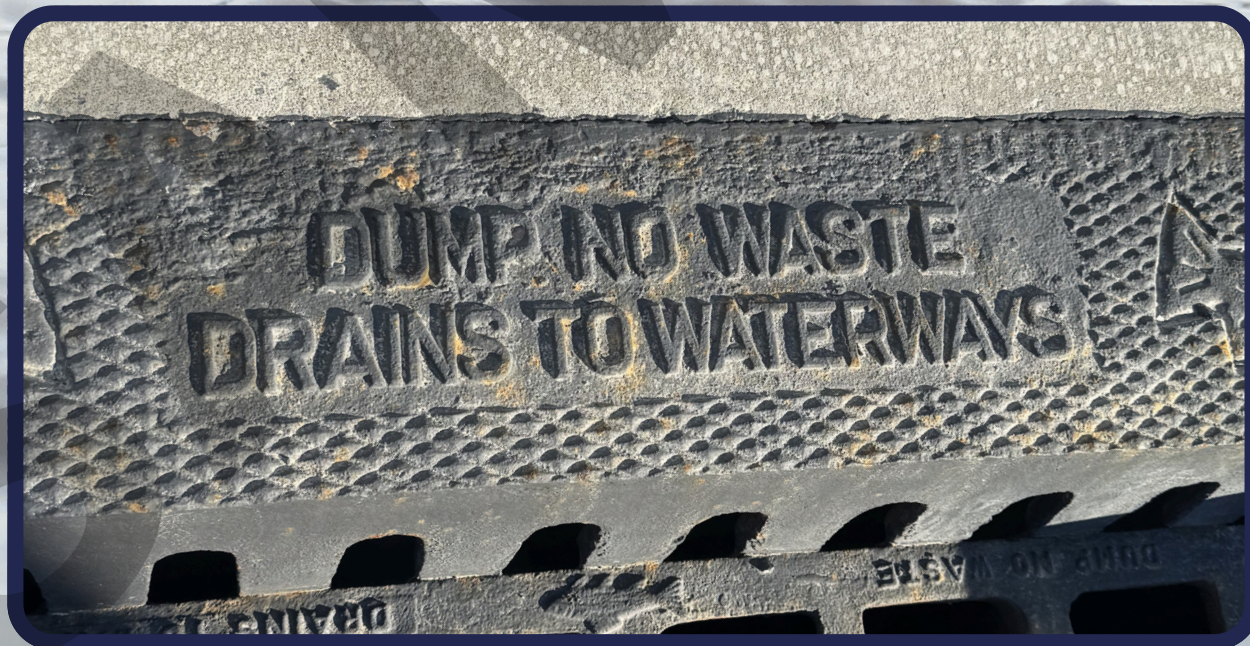
Only Rain Down the Drain!

**Storm drains lead directly to local waterways
with no treatment plants in between!**

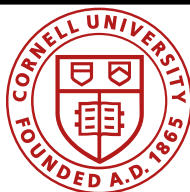
Do not dump materials such as motor oil, antifreeze,
paint, or detergent down the drain.

Report issues to [your municipality or representative]

Visit or call: [your contact here]



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TO FEED OR NOT TO FEED

Feeding causes waterfowl to congregate in ponds and produce an unnatural number of droppings leading to excess nutrients in the water and water quality problems.

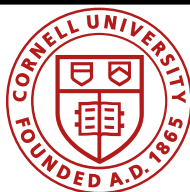


For more
information,
visit:

www.dec.ny.gov/nature/animals-fish-plants/nuisance-wildlife-species/stop-feeding-wildlife



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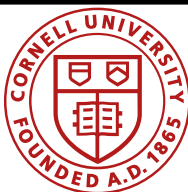
LET YOUR GRASS GROW!

Grass should be maintained and mowed at 3–4"

This length allows the grass to put more energy into growing longer roots, which create air pockets in the soil and increase its ability to absorb stormwater.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE RAISE THE BLADE CAMPAIGN HERE:
WWW.UVM.EDU/SEAGRANT/LAWN-CARE-AND-STORMWATER-RUNOFF

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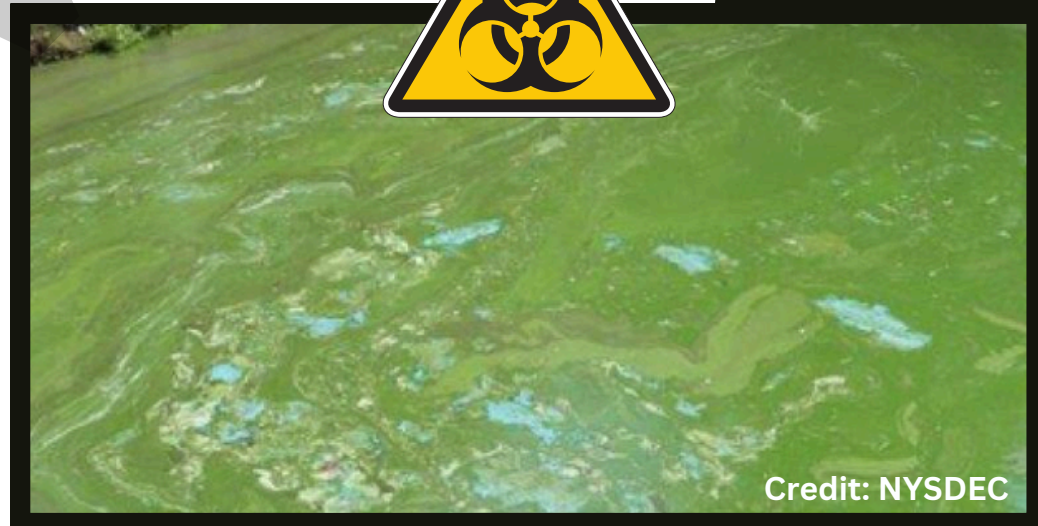
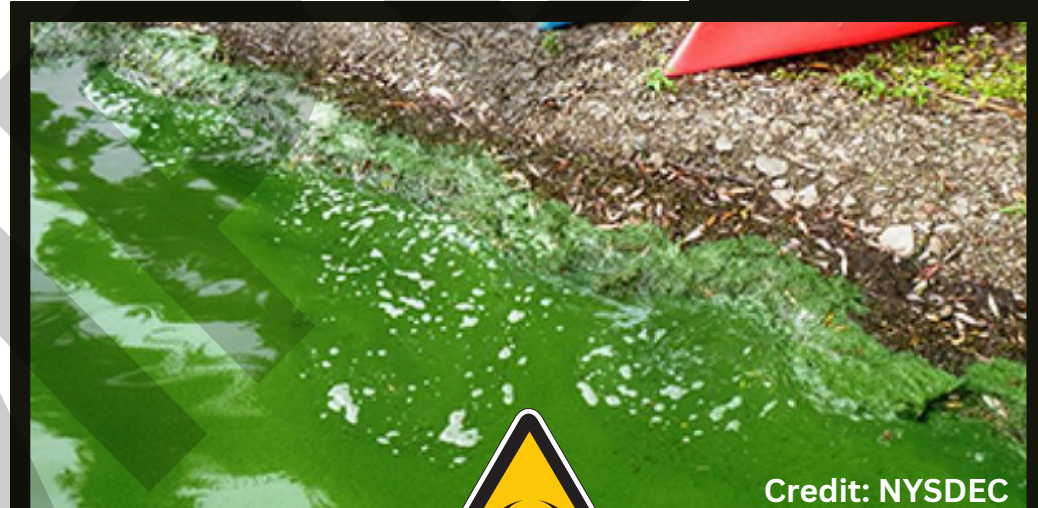


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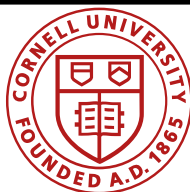


NITROGEN & PHOSPHORUS: WHAT'S THE ISSUE?

- Excess nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus can cause toxin producing algae to bloom (referred to as harmful algal blooms (HABs))
- Private drinking water should **NOT** be consumed during a HAB as in-home treatments do not remove HAB toxins
- If you suspect a HAB, report it to the NYSDEC by filling out a Suspicious Algal Bloom Report form



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Maintain Your Septic!

What's the Issue?

Improperly designed or maintained septic systems can leak pollutants, such as bacteria and nutrients, into the stormwater sewer, impacting water quality!

Do Your Part!

Regular pump outs and maintenance is the best way to reduce the possibility of leaks.

Inspect your septic systems every 3 to 5 years, pre EPA recommendations.

To learn more, visit:
www.epa.gov/septic



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Seeing Snow? Be in the Know!

What's the Issue?

Rock salt helps keep roads and sidewalks safe, but too much salt is a waste of money and increases the damage it causes to water and vegetation!

Tips to Reduce Road Salt Usage

- Only about 12 ounces of rock salt are needed to melt snow and ice on a 20-foot driveway.
- Below 15°F, rock salt is ineffective at melting snow and ice.
- Shovel snow early and often! Less snow and ice means less rock salt needed!

For more information on road salt and other deicers, visit:

www.dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/water/rock-salt-reduction

