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STORM DRAINS

As part of continuing efforts to preserve and protect Long Island Sound, Vernon Public Works Department recommends the following:

- * Wash your car on your lawn.
- * Clean up after your pets.
- * Leave grass clippings on your lawn.
- * Prevent leaves, road sand, and litter from entering the storm drain.
- * Dispose of motor oil, paints, solvents and other chemicals properly.
- * Include vegetated buffers in your landscaping plan.

Every drop of water that goes down the storm drains eventually finds its way untreated into Long Island Sound. That is why it is very important to keep substances such as motor oils, soaps, fertilizers, litter, leaves, and pet waste, which can impair oxygen levels and impact beaches, from entering the storm drains. Do your part to improve water quality in Long Island Sound.

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Jason L. McCoy, Mayor

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