HUDSON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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HIGHWAY AGENCY MUNICIPAL STORMWATER GENERAL PERMIT

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
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NJPDES Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program
Highway Agency Stormwater Permit

IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

HUDSON COUNTY EDPA:  April 1, 2004

Deadlines

April 1, 2005

- Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan
  - Describes the County’s stormwater program, which includes details on the implementation of required Stormwater Basic Requirements (SBRs)
- Stormwater Management Plan
  - Comply with applicable design and performance standards established under N.J.A.C.7:8 for major development
- Local Public Education Program
  - Begin distribution of educational information
- Litter Pick-Up Program
  - Develop and implement regular collection of refuse and roadside clean up of trash and debris
- Street Sweeping
  - Begin Street Sweeping Program and include documentation for the amount of debris collected.
- Storm Drain Inlet Retrofitting
  - During road repair, reconstruction, alterations, and repaving replace storm drain inlets to satisfy the new design and performance standards.
- SOPs
  - SOPs for vehicle fueling, vehicle maintenance, and good housekeeping practices must be implemented.
- Employee Training
  - Conduct employee training on required topics for appropriate employees.

October 1, 2005

- Regulatory Mechanisms
  - Adopt and Enforce regulatory mechanisms for pet waste control, improper waste disposal, wildlife feeding and illicit connections.
- Illicit Connection Elimination Program
  - Implement and enforce a program to detect and eliminate illicit connections.
- Road Erosion Control Maintenance
NJPDES Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program
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IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE
- Develop a program to identify and stabilize roadside erosion.
  - Outfall Pipe Stream Scouring Remediation
    - Develop and implement a program to identify and stabilize erosion in the vicinity of outfall pipes

April 1, 2006
- Stormwater Facility Maintenance
  - Conduct yearly inspection of all inlets and catch basins
  - Conduct inspection and maintenance of stormwater pump stations
  - Conduct yearly inspection of outfalls
- Employee Training
  - Conduct yearly employee training on required topics for appropriate employees.
- Local Public Education Program
  - Annual distribution of educational information

April 1, 2007
- Storm Drain Inlet Labeling
- De-Icing Material Storage
  - Construct a new permanent facility for de-icing material or install a door on the existing facility.

April 1, 2009
- Storm Drain Inlet Labeling
  - Complete inlet labeling for all of Sector B. All inlets should be labeled with storm drain markers or have a J-ECO curb piece.
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# STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN - FORM e

## SPPP Team

### TEAM LEADER
Person in charge of making decisions and giving directives to effectively implement the plan.

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### TEAM MEMBERS
(The number of team members may vary)

The activities and responsibilities of the team shall address all aspects of the facility's SPPP.

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### SPILL RESPONSE COORDINATOR
(May be the same as the Team Leader or Team Member)

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Stormwater Pollution Prevention Team Members

Number of team members may vary.

Stormwater Program Coordinator: Byron Nicholas, PP, AICP
Title: Supervising Transportation Planner, Office of the County Engineer
Office Phone #: 201-369-430 Ext: 4171

Public Notice Coordinator: Gina Jaramillo
Title: Executive Assistant, Planning Division
Office Phone #: 201-217-5137 Ext: 4446

Post-Construction Stormwater Management Coordinator: Thomas Malavasi, PE, PP, CME, CPWM
Title: Hudson County Engineer
Office Phone #: 201-369-4340 Ext: 4169

Local Public Education Coordinator: Francesca Giarratana, PP, AICP
Title: Division Chief, Planning Division
Office Phone #: 201-217-5137 Ext: 4443

Regulatory Mechanism Coordinator: Francesca Giarratana, PP, AICP
Title: Division Chief, Planning Division
Office Phone #: 201-217-5137 Ext: 4443

Physical Operations Coordinator: Robert Spinello
Title: General Supervisor of Roads & Bridges
Office Phone #: 201-915-1373 Ext: 6978

Employee Training Coordinator: Robert Spinello
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Office Phone #: 201-915-1373 Ext: 6978

Other:
Title:
Office Phone #:
Briefly outline the principal ways in which you comply with applicable State and local public notice requirements when providing for public participation in the development and implementation of your stormwater program.

_Hudson County provides public notice of meetings as required by the Open Public Meetings Act (“Sunshine Law,” N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) and as required by N.J.S.A. 40:49-1 et. Seq. for the passage of ordinances. The County will provide public notice for actions regarding the county budget and as outlined by the Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-1 et. Seq.). Hudson County also provides public notice for resolutions of the Board of Commissioners that result in a penalty for violation thereof, as required by N.J.S.A. 40:24-3._
Describe in general terms your post-construction stormwater management in new development and redevelopment program (post-construction program), and how it complies with the Highway Permit minimum standard. This description must address how adequate long term operation and maintenance of BMPS will be ensured; compliance with the standard in Attachment C of the permit (new storm drain inlet design standard); adoption and implantation of applicable design and performance standards establishment under N.J.A.C. 7:8 for major developments; and use of the Post-Construction Program Design Checklist for Individual Projects. Attach additional pages as necessary.

The County’s post-construction stormwater management in new development and redevelopment program is as follows:

1. The Hudson County Division of Planning will ensure that plans for all new residential development and redevelopment projects, described in the Highway Permit, are in compliance with the Stormwater Management Regulations prior to issuance of final site plan approvals. The Hudson County Engineering Department will provide technical review to assist the Planning Division. The County’s Annual Report will list the projects under the Capital Improvements program including projects that are subject to State and Federal Aid.

2. On XXX XX, 2005, the Hudson County Board of Commissioners passed Resolution No.XXX, which adopts the applicable design and performance standards established under N.J.A. C. 7:8 for major development.

3. The Division of Roads and Bridges will ensure continued compliance, as well as, long term operation and maintenance of BMPs by preparing a project maintenance plan in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:8-5.8. The Monitor/or the Division of Roads and Bridges will be responsible for appropriate long term operation and maintenance of BM P’s on County property to ensure the proper function and operation of all stormwater facilities regulated by the Highway Permit.

4. The Hudson County Engineering Department will ensure all plans for roadway construction and rehabilitation projects incorporate the new design of storm drain inlets in County Roads and rights of way. The Construction Official will ensure proper installation of work at sites under its jurisdiction. The Division of Roads and Bridges will be responsible for proper maintenance/retrofit of existing and new inlets. Any construction that exists on County Right of Way will be overseen by the Engineering Department. To date, Hudson County has replaced approximately 15-20% of the existing inlets using the new design and performance standards.
**SPPP Form 4 – Local Public Education Program**

| Highway Agency Information | Highway Agency Name: **Hudson County**  
NJPDES #: NJG0154253 PI ID #: 223636  
Team Member/Title: Francesca Giarratana, PP, AICP Division Chief, Planning Division  
Effective Date of Permit Authorization (EDPA): **04-01-04**  
Date of Completion: **March 29, 2005** Date of most recent update: August 18, 2021 |

**Local Public Education Program**

Describe your Local Public Education Program. Be specific on how you will distribute your educational information.

_Hudson County does not own or operate any service areas along the County highway system. The County will provide efficient local public education on the DEP required topics utilizing resources provided by the Hudson County Improvement Authority and County owned community centers._

_ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION: The Hudson County Improvement Authority has a quarterly distribution, “Seasons” that is mailed to residents as inserts in the “Hudson Reporter.” The County will include one of the DEP provided “Tip Cards” in one of the semi-annual newsletters and will create new “Tip Cards” that is dedicated to public outreach and education. The “Seasons” newsletter will also be placed within the various community buildings that are used as public meeting spaces such as town halls, libraries, and schools with the educational pieces included._
# SPPP Form 5 - Storm Drain Inlet

## Highway Agency Information

- **Highway Agency Name:** Hudson County
- **NJPDES #:** NJG0154253  **PI ID #:** 223636
- **Team Member/Title:** Robert Spinello, General Supervisor of Roads & Bridges
- **Effective Date of Permit Authorization (EDPA):** 04-01-04
- **Date of Completion:** March 29, 2005  **Date of most recent update:**

## Storm Drain Inlet Labeling

Describe your storm drain inlet labeling program, including your labeling schedule, the details of your long-term maintenance plan, and plans on coordinating with watershed groups or other volunteer organizations.

The Hudson County Division of Roads and Bridges will initiate inlet labeling using the County Roads and Bridges personnel. The County has decided to divide itself into two sectors by municipalities. Sector A will include Bayonne City, Jersey City, Harrison Town, East Newark Borough, and Kearny Town and Sector B will include North Bergen Township, Guttenberg Town, West New York Town, Weehawken Township, Union City, Secaucus Town, and Hoboken City. The inlet labeling process will begin in Bayonne, and continue north by municipality until all inlets within Hudson County are labeled.

The County will label each inlet with the Stainless Steel labels as manufactured by Almetek Industries, Inc. of Hackettstown, NJ These labels will state “No Dumping-Drains to River” and will feature a fish in the center. These labels are used to reduce maintenance and provide an extended lifespan.

All storm drain inlet labels will be inspected, at minimum, on a yearly basis by the Division of Roads and Bridges personnel during the annual catch basin inspections. Any label that becomes damaged will be removed and replaced. Eventually, all storm drain inlets requiring replacement will feature the Campbell Foundry Type J-ECO curb piece that is pre-cast with a message “Dump No Waste - Drains to River,” and the necessity for replacing inlet markers will be eliminated at those locations.

An annual goal will be set to accomplish inlet labeling and the County Engineer will provide technical assistance with the inlet labeling process. Consideration will be given to developing bid documents to contract services for the installation of inlet labels.
**SPPP Form 6 – MS4 Outfall Pipe Mapping**

| Highway Agency Information | Highway Agency Name: **Hudson County**  
NJPDES #:NJG0154253 PI ID #: 223636  
Team Member/Title: **Daryl Krasnuk, Director of Office of Digital Information**  
Effective Date of Permit Authorization (EDPA): **04-01-04**  
Date of Completion: **March 29, 2005** Date of most recent update:______ |

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Explain how you will prepare your map (include its type and scale, and the schedule for the mapping process). Who will prepare your map (e.g., employees, a consultant, etc.)?

*The County is developing an outfall mapping database using ArcGIS. The outfall locations were established using construction plans filed at the County’s Engineering Department. Each outfall was given an alphanumeric designation and shown on a 24x36 inch map. The County will further investigate the ownership of each of these outfalls so that only the outfalls owned and maintained by the County of Hudson are shown on the Stormwater Outfall Map and in the mapping database.

Outfalls in county parks will be included in the mapping and inspection program, but are not required under this permit. Many of the county parks are along waterways and the outfalls accept flow from beyond the park limits.*
Describe your Illicit Connection Elimination Program, and explain how you plan an responding to complaints and/or reports of illicit connections (e.g., hotlines, etc.). Attach additional pages as necessary.

The Hudson County Division of Roads and Bridges will initiate the illicit connection inspection of each outfall. They will utilize the DEP provided Illicit Connection Inspection Report Form to conduct the inspections and file the forms with the SPPP plan accordingly. Outfalls that are found to have a dry weather flow or evidence of an intermittent non-stormwater flow will be re-inspected. If an illicit connection is identified and located, the responsible party will be cited for being in violation of the Regulatory Mechanism prohibiting Illicit Connections and the connection will be eliminated. The County Engineer will assist in locating the illicit connection when necessary, however; if after three investigation attempts, the illicit connection is not found, a Closeout Investigation Form will be prepared and submitted along with the County's Annual Inspection and Recertification Report.

Many of the County outfalls are in remote locations attainable only by boat. For inspection of these outfalls the County is considering the outside assistance by the Riverkeeper or Baykeeper.

Presently, residents may contact Hudson County Regional Health to report any spills or leaks of hazardous materials. The County will formalize and institute a procedure for public reporting of suspected illicit connections.
# SPPP Form 8 - Illicit Connection Records

| Highway Agency Name: **Hudson County** |
| NJPDES #: NJG0154253 PI ID #: 223636 |
| Team Member/Title: Robert Spinello, General Supervisor of Roads & Bridges |
| Effective Date of Permit Authorization (EDPA): **04-01-04** |
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**Prior to July 1, 2006**

**Note:** Attach a copy of each illicit connection report form for outfalls found to have a dry weather flow.

| Total number of inspections performed this year? | ____________ |
| Number of outfalls found to have a dry weather flow? | ____________ |
| Number of outfalls found to have an illicit connection? | ____________ |
| How many of the Highway Agency’s own illicit connections were eliminated? | ____________ |
| Of the Highway Agency’s own illicit connections found, how many remain? | ____________ |
| How many illicit connections found to emanate from another entity were reported to NJDEP? | ____________ |

**July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2007**

**Note:** Attach a copy of each illicit connection report form for outfalls found to have a dry weather flow.

| Total number of inspections performed this year? | ____________ |
| Number of outfalls found to have a dry weather flow? | ____________ |
| Number of outfalls found to have an illicit connection? | ____________ |
| How many of the Highway Agency’s own illicit connections were eliminated? | ____________ |
| Of the Highway Agency’s own illicit connections found, how many remain? | ____________ |
| How many illicit connections found to emanate from another entity were reported to NJDEP? | ____________ |

**July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008**

**Note:** Attach a copy of each illicit connection report form for outfalls found to have a dry weather flow.

| Total number of inspections performed this year? | ____________ |
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| How many of the Highway Agency’s own illicit connections were eliminated? | ____________ |
| Of the Highway Agency’s own illicit connections found, how many remain? | ____________ |
| How many illicit connections found to emanate from another entity were reported to NJDEP? | ____________ |
July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009

Note: Attach a copy of each illicit connection report form for outfalls found to have a dry weather flow.

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SPPP Form 9 – Litter Pick Up Program

Highway Agency Information

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Team Member/Title: Robert Spinello, General Supervisor of Roads & Bridges
Effective Date of Permit Authorization (EDPA): 04-01-04
Date of Completion: **March 29, 2005** Date of most recent update: ______

Please describe your litter pick up program. Be sure to include the refuse collection schedule and detail how rest area, service area, and roadside clean ups will be implemented. (NOTE: Attach a litter pick up log containing the following information: dates of roadside clean ups and estimates of the total amount of trash and debris collected.)

*The County does not own or operate any rest areas or service areas. Litter pick up along County roads is completed by the Division of Roads and Bridges on County roads in industrial areas; however, local municipalities remove trash from within the receptacles and along the remaining County roads. The County will re-negotiate their existing inter-local agreements assigning responsibility for roadside litter pick up to the local municipalities and requiring that a litter pick up log documenting the amount of trash and debris collected be submitted to the County.*
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For each regulatory mechanism, give the date of adoption. If not yet adopted, explain the development status:

Pet Waste *Pending*

(Note: If the Highway Agency is not developing a pet waste regulatory mechanism because the Agency does not operate any rest areas or service areas for the Agency facilities subject to this permit, provide that explanation above.)

Improper Disposal of Waste *Pending*

Wildlife Feeding *To be revised*

Illicit Connections *Pending*

What is the nature of these regulatory mechanisms and how will they be enforced?

*The Board of Commissioners will review the DEP sample regulatory mechanisms. All regulatory mechanisms will be reviewed and approved by all SPPP team members prior to adoption by the Commissioners. Once adopted, they will be enforced by the Hudson County Code Enforcement Officials.*

If your position is that the Highway Agency has no legal authority to adopt and/or enforce a mechanism to regulate pet waste disposal or wildlife feeding by the general public on Highway Agency property, attach a statement from your attorney supporting this position.
What type of storm drain inlet design will generally be used for retrofitting?

*The Campbell Foundry Bicycle Safe Grate with Type-J ECO curb piece.*

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Are you claiming any alternate device exemptions or historic place exemptions for any of the above projects? Please explain.

*No.*
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Team Member/Title: Robert Spinello, General Supervisor of Roads & Bridges  
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**Street Sweeping**

Please describe the street sweeping schedule that you will maintain.

*(NOTE: Attach a street sweeping log containing the following information: date and area swept, # of miles swept and the total amount of materials collected.)*

The County has an inter-local agreement with the following municipalities: Secaucus, Harrison, Bayonne, Guttenberg, Hoboken, Jersey City, Kearny, North Bergen, Union City, Weehawken, and West New York. These agreements will be updated to include the frequency of street sweeping required under the Highway Agency Permit and documentation for said sweeping and estimated debris collected.

**Road Erosion Control Maintenance**

Describe your Road Erosion Control Maintenance Program, including how you will perform inspections and frequency. A list of all sites of roadside erosion and the repair technique(s) you will be using for each site should be attached to this form.

*(NOTE: Attach a road erosion control maintenance log containing the following information: location, repairs, date)*

Road Erosion Control Maintenance will be completed through the Division of Roads and Bridges in conjunction with the storm drain inlet inspections. Personnel will record any signs of road erosion in a log and implement remedial repairs as soon as possible. Any significant erosion damage will be reported to the Engineering Department for remediation in accordance with the NJDOT Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Standards.
### SPPP Form 13 – Stormwater Facility Maintenance

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Please describe your annual catch basin cleaning program and schedule. Attach additional pages as necessary.

*The County owns and maintains approximately 1500 catch basins along County roads. The Division of Roads and Bridges will initiate a regular catch basin cleaning and maintenance program. Each catch basin will be inspected at minimum, once per year, and cleaned, if necessary. Problem areas will be checked more frequently and inspections will be noted in a maintenance log. Catch basins will be cleaned using the County owned vacuum truck where appropriate and debris will be brought to an appropriate facility for de-watering and disposal.*

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Please describe your stormwater facility maintenance program for cleaning and maintenance of all stormwater facilities operated by the Highway Agency. Attach additional pages as necessary.

*(NOTE: Attach a maintenance log containing information on any repairs/maintenance performed on stormwater facilities to ensure their proper function and operation.)*

*The County owns and maintains catch basins along county roads, storm sewer piping in non-combined sewer areas and five stormwater pump stations.*

*The County owned stormwater pump stations are: Harrison's Pike, Bigley's, Cayuga Dike, Cedar Creek and St. Pauls's Avenue. Each of the stormwater pump stations will have its own schedule where inspection and maintenance will be performed as described in the SOP for Stormwater Pump Station Maintenance. The Division of Roads and Bridges will complete a Stormwater Facility Maintenance Log to document when an inspection was completed and work was performed.*
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| Date of Completion: *March 29, 2005* Date of most recent update: _____

Describe your roadside vegetation management program to limit the application of herbicides and mulch. Attach additional pages as necessary.

*Hudson County is an urban area and does not use herbicides or mulch along County roadways. If the County were to instate a roadside vegetation management program in the future, all permit requirements will be implemented.*
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Describe your stormwater outfall pipe scouring detection, remediation and maintenance program to detect and control active, localized stream and stream bank scouring. Attach additional pages as necessary.

(NOTE: Attach a prioritized list of sites observed to have scouring, date of anticipated repair, method of repair and date of completion.)

*The Engineering Department in conjunction with the Division of Roads and Bridges will observe outfall pipe stream scouring during the stormwater facility maintenance inspections and initial illicit connection elimination program. The County outfall mapping database in ArcGIS has the capability to embed information pertaining to each of the outfall locations and allows personnel to record the date of each outfall inspection and note any signs of scouring. If scouring is detected, the Department of Engineering will be notified and repairs will be made in accordance with the Standards for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control in New Jersey.*
SPPP Form 16 – De-icing Material Storage

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De-icing Material Storage

Describe how you currently store your highway agency’s de-icing materials, and describe your inspection schedule. If your current storage practices do not meet the de-icing material storage SBR describe your construction schedule and your seasonal tarping interim measures. If you plan on sharing a storage structure, please include its location, as well as a complete list of all concerned public entities. If you store sand outdoors, describe how it meets the minimum standard.

**Hudson County currently stores salt at the Duncan Avenue Facility in a three-sided structure. The County does not currently have a door for this facility, but will perform temporary tarping until a door is constructed. County personnel will inspect the tarp periodically and clean up any spilled salt after loading and unloading. The County Division of Roads and Bridges expects to have a door on the facility by the April 1, 2007 deadline.**

**The County is currently considering purchasing an additional salt storage structure which will comply with all current regulations. This structure may be shared with one or more municipalities at a location yet to be determined.**
### SPPP Form 17 – Standard Operating Procedures

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PI ID #: 223636  
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| **Fueling Operations**  
(Including the required practices listed in Attachment D of the permit) | **SOP pending County review and approval.** | Fueling is conducted at the Hoboken Avenue and Duncan Avenue facility. However, the County will develop an SOP for fueling practices. |
| **Vehicle Maintenance**  
(Including the required practices listed in Attachment D of the permit) | **SOP pending County review and approval.** | Inspections will be held on a monthly basis to ensure that the standard operating procedure is being met.  
See Appendix 4 for copy of SOP. |
| **Good Housekeeping Practices**  
(Including the required practices listed in Attachment D of the permit) | **SOP pending County review and approval.** | Indoor/outdoor storage areas, containers & surrounding areas around the County's Fueling and Maintenance Facilities will be inspected on a monthly basis.  
See Appendix 4 for a copy of SOP.  
| Attach inventory list required by Attachment D of the permit. |
## SPPP Form 18 – Employee Training

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Describe your employee training program. For each required topic, list the employees that will receive training on that topic, and the date the training will be held. Attach additional pages as necessary.

*Employee Training is coordinated through the County Training Supervisor at the Division of Personnel. The County will conduct employee training on the required DEP topics in seminar form and personnel conducting illicit connection elimination and scouring remediation will receive field training.*

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Hudson TMA Promotes Street Smart Tips to Improve Pedestrian Safety

One of the key missions of the Hudson Transportation Management Association (TMA) is to reduce crashes and the injuries and fatalities that often result from them. This is especially critical in Hudson County with its high population density. Many motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists share our roadways to reach their destinations. With that in mind, the TMA partners with local police departments to help educate travelers by presenting the following “Street Smart” safety tips through outdoor signage, posters, tip cards, and live presentations.

**WALK SMART**
- We cross at corners
- We use crosswalks
- We look before crossing
- We wait for the walk

**DRIVE SMART**
- We head up phones down
- We slow down for safety
- We drive for people
- We cross at the light

**SHREDDING**
- What to Bring:
  - Cardboard
  - Books
  - Binder Clips
  - Newspapers
  - Magazines
  - Binders
- What Not to Bring:
  - Household appliances will not be accepted.
  - Computers, monitors, computer mice, keyboards, tablets and cellphones can also be recycled.
- Tips to Improve Pedestrian Safety
  - Heads up, we use crosswalks for safety
  - In the light, we look out for people
  - Before crossing, we use crosswalks
  - For the walk, we wait for the walk

**COMPUTERS ONLY RECYCLING**
Computers, monitors, computer mice, keyboards, tablets and cellphones can also be recycled. Household appliances will not be accepted.

**HCIA FALL SHREDDING 2021**
FREE!
- 9AM – 2PM (RAIN OR SHINE)
- FREE!
- BeStreetSmartNJ.org

Saturday, September 18
Red Bull Arena – Harrison
Location: Parking Lot
Jose Marí School – Union City
315 Balmoral Ave – Field Parking Lot
Saturday, September 25
Gregg Park – Bayonne
Parking Lot – Pennsylvania Drive & Kennedy Blvd Entrance

Residents can drop off materials at any site. Proof of residency may be required.
This program is sponsored, in part, by a grant from the NJDEP-Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste.

DUE TO COVID-19, ALL RESIDENTS MUST REMAIN IN THEIR VEHICLE AND PLACE THEIR MATERIALS IN THEIR TRUNK.

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New Hudson County Court House Continues Progress

A major milestone in the construction of the Hudson County Courthouse was recently met with the first substantial concrete pour of the project. The new complex will replace the outdated Hudson County Administration Building at 595 Newark Avenue in Jersey City.

On July 28 – following the removal to date of over 31,384 cubic yards of soil and excavation and removal of 17,220 cubic yards of rock to construct the courthouse basement - contractors completed the first substantial concrete pour of the 3-foot thick basement pressure mat.

“This major milestone underscores the County’s commitment to building a modern courthouse complex that will serve as a catalyst for the revitalization of the neighborhood,” said Hudson County Executive Thomas A. DeGise.

The pour of 2,055 cubic yards of concrete required over 200 concrete truck deliveries and 2 concrete pump trucks. Approximately 125 tons of steel rebar was also embedded in the concrete pour.

Hudson Becomes First Urban County in NJ to Meet 70% Vaccination Goal with HCIA’s Assistance

Earlier this summer Hudson County became the first urban county in New Jersey to exceed the State of New Jersey’s goal of reaching more than 70% of its population with at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. The county is among 11 across the state that were selected for closer monitoring and increased resources by the state in June and reaching this significant milestone will help keep residents safe and allow normal lives to return.

“I’m incredibly proud that Hudson County has reached this milestone and that we can all breathe easier knowing that the vast majority of our neighbors are vaccinated and doing their part to finally beat COVID-19 once and for all,” said County Executive Tom DeGise.

In addition to the countywide vaccination rate, state data also shows that every single Hudson County municipality has now met the 70% goal, with Secaucus leading the way at an impressive 90% first dose vaccination rate. Health officials throughout the county continue working to vaccinate even more residents through a mixture of pop-up and mobile vaccine events, walk-in sites, the county’s drive-thru location at Secaucus – High School Parking Lot.

For a full list of events, visit hcia.org and find us on social media

Breaking Ground

“Cutting the ribbon and officially kicking off construction of The View at Lincoln Park was a great thrill and a reminder of the special place that Casino in the Park holds in Hudson County history. We can’t wait to show everyone the new venue and begin making new memories together right here in Hudson County!”

– Tom DeGise, County Executive

Vaccines are Safe & Effective

“The HCIA has worked hand in hand with other County agencies to operate our Vaccine Center at the U.S. Juneau building in Kearny, and I’m so proud that thanks to that hard work we have vaccinated over 70% of Hudson residents. If you still haven’t gotten the shot, get vaccinated today to help keep our county safe.”

– Norman Guerra, CEO, HCIA

Reducing Food Waste

“It’s great to see so many of our Hudson County communities enacting programs to reduce Food Waste. This is a step we can all take to reduce the harmful effects of climate change while also adopting a more eco-friendly lifestyle.”

– Frank Pestana, Chair, HCIA

HCIA 2021 UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER
Saturday, September 18
Mobile Shredding
Harrison - Red Bull Arena, North Parking Lot
Union City - Jose Marti School Field Parking Lot

Saturday, September 25
Mobile Shredding
Bayonne - Gagg Park, Parking Lot #1

OCTOBER
Saturday, October 2
Mobile Shredding
West New York - DPW
Kearny - West Hudson Park, Dock Pond Parking Lot

Sunday, October 3
Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), Computer & Tire Recycling
Bayonne - Gagg Park, Parking Lot #1
Secaucus - High School Parking Lot

Saturday, October 9
Mobile Shredding
Jersey City - Lincoln Park, Duncan Ave Parking Lot

Saturday, October 16
Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), Computer & Tire Recycling
Jersey City - Municipal Complex
Bayonne - Gagg Park, Parking Lot #1

Saturday, October 23
Mobile Shredding
North Bergen - TBA

Saturday, October 30
Mobile Shredding
North Bergen - TBA

NOVEMBER
Saturday, November 6
Mobile Shredding
Secaucus - High School Parking Lot

UPCOMING EVENTS

For MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO GET VACCINATED VISIT HUDSONCOVIDVAX.ORG

IF YOU DON’T PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET, IT MIGHT AS WELL POOP IN THE RIVER.

Rain washes pollutants into storm drains which flows directly into our streams, lakes, rivers and the ocean.

So what can you do?

www.cleanwaterNJ.org

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HCIA 2021 UPCOMING EVENTS
Hudson County Improvement Authority

"Seasons," Fall 2004
Fall 2004
Hazardous
Saturday, October 2, 9AM - 1PM
Jersey City: JCIA, 501 Route 440
Kearny: DPW, 357 Bergen Avenue
Sunday, October 17, 9AM - 1PM
Bayonne: Norton Paints, 148 East 5th St.
Secaucus: Swim Center Parking Lot, 2000 Koelle Boulevard
What to bring:
Cleaners
Corrosives
Pool chemicals
Oil-based paints
Oil-based varnishes
Household & car batteries
Full or partly full aerosol cans
Propane tanks
(from barbecues only)
Solvents
Thinners
Herbicides
Latex paint
Formaldehyde
Used motor oil
Fire extinguishers
Fluorescent lights
Stable Disposal Rate Helps Hudson Taxpayers
The Hudson County Improvement Authority (HCIA) works ardently to provide the fiscal management solutions to help New Jersey taxpayers.

This season, our friends at Panasonic want to join in helping to make this a free event open to residents from Bergen, Hudson and Passaic Counties. Copiers and microwave ovens will not be accepted at this event.

Participants will be entered into a prize drawing. You can also bring your old cell phones. For more information, please call 800.540.0987.

--Hudson County Executive Thomas A. DeGise.
Earth Day
2004 Recap.

The HCIA celebrated a spectacular Earth Day 2004 Celebration on April 24 at Liberty State Park in Jersey City. The annual celebration drew hundreds of participants from throughout Hudson County looking to commemorate the day in a fun-filled, family environment.

A sunny, breezy morning welcomed participants to the HCIA Earth Day Celebration. Athletes from throughout New York and New Jersey were off to a running start at the 5K Run and Fitness Walk. For our young athletes, the Kids Fun Run gave children an opportunity to enjoy healthy exercise running along a smaller course designed just for them. All participants were awarded free t-shirts for their participation and children were awarded medals. In addition, adult competitors had an opportunity to win prizes that included gift certificates and medals.

This year, exhibitors including the Liberty Science Center, the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission, Amber Alert Wireless Program, the American Red Cross and many other agencies, showcased learning booths that encouraged healthy living and a healthy environment. Interactive stage shows featured magicians, musicians, strolling court jesters, jugglers, stilt walkers and other great entertainers.

Kids Kingdom, a recent addition to our celebration, featured inflatable rides such as the moonwalk, ball bounce and slide, craft booths for face painting and sand art, a kite making station and contests.

"This year's theme, 'Let's Make Everyday Earth Day' is especially important for the communities of Hudson County because they are all so densely populated. It is imperative that each resident make a commitment to living earth-friendly so that waste flow is kept under control," said HCIA Chairman John L. Shinnick. Learn more about the environment by contacting our Environmental Programs Division at 1-800-540-0987.

America Recycles Day & the 3rd Annual Crayon Recycling Contest

On November 15, 2004 residents and businesses throughout the United States will celebrate America Recycles Day. The celebration, launched in 1997, was devised to encourage participants to recycle, to reduce waste, to buy recycled products and to become advocates for recycling initiatives.

The HCIA, in celebration of America Recycles 2004, will host the 3rd Annual Crayon Recycling Contest for students in Hudson County public, private and parochial schools. To date, our youngsters have collected an impressive 3,500 pounds of old, broken crayons that have been recycled into brand new 'crazy-colored' crayons.

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, recycling trends continue to experience positive growth as municipalities across the country implement programs that foster environmental stewardship.

"The steps that our county school children have taken through the Crayon Recycling Contest demonstrate the impact that even little measures, such as collecting a few stray crayons from around the house, can have on our environment," said HCIA Executive Director Norman Guerra.

The 3rd Annual Crayon Recycling Contest will run from America Recycles Day, November 15th, through December 17th. For more information, contact the HCIA Environmental Hotline at 1-800-540-0987.
NJDEP STORMWATER BROCHURE

Solutions to Stormwater Pollution
Solutions to
Stormwater Pollution

Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water

A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in our water.

Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey’s greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that’s why we’re all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it’s dirty.

As part of New Jersey’s initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.

As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.

Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for fertilizers.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.

Properly use and dispose of hazardous products

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.

Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.
Clean up after your pet

- Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.
- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property.
- Make sure you know your town's or agency's requirements and comply with them. It's the law. And remember to:
  - Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.
  - Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or unwrapped in a toilet.
  - Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

Don't litter

- Place litter in trash receptacles.
- Participate in community cleanups.

Don't feed wildlife

- Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.
- Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.

Dispose of yard waste properly

- Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains.
- If your municipality or agency has yard waste collection rules, follow them.
- Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.
- Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.

Keep pollution out of storm drains

- Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.
- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.

Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit www.njstormwater.org or www.nonpointsource.org

Additional information is also available at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater or www.epa.gov/nps

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water Quality Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program (609) 633-7021

April 2004
NJDEP EDUCATIONAL BROCHURES

How Does Urbanization Change a Watershed
Alternatives to Pesticide
Using Leaf Compost
Yard Trimmings Management Strategies in New Jersey
Home Composting
Vermicomposting
Minimizing Waste Disposal: Grass Clippings
Backyard Leaf Composting
What is Ground Water
What is Nonpoint Source Pollution
Storm Drain Labeling Guidelines for New Jersey
What’s a Watershed
Clean Water Raingers Coloring Book
How does Urbanization Change a Watershed?

Urbanization (or development) has a great effect on local water resources. It changes how water flows in the watershed and what flows in the water. Both surface and ground water flow are changed.

As a watershed becomes developed, trees, shrubs and other plants are replaced with impervious surfaces (roads, rooftops, parking lots and other hard surfaces that do not allow stormwater to soak into the ground). Without the plants to store and slow the flow of stormwater, the rate of stormwater runoff is increased. Less stormwater is able to soak into the ground because sidewalks, roads, parking lots, and rooftops block this infiltration. This means a greater volume of water reaches the waterway faster and less of that water is able to infiltrate to ground water. This in turn leads to more flooding after storms but reduced flow in streams and rivers during dry periods. The reduced amount of infiltrating water can lower ground water levels, which in turn can stress local waterways that depend on steadier flows of water.

In the stream, more erosion of stream banks and scarring of channels will occur due to volume increase. This in turn degrades habitat for plant and animal life that depend on clear water. Sediment from eroded stream banks clogs the gills of fish and blocks light needed for plants. The sediment settles to fill in stream channels, lakes and reservoirs. This also increases flooding and the need for dredging to clear streams or lakes for boating.

State of New Jersey
Christine Tod Whitman, Governor
Department of Environmental Protection
Robert C. Heere, Jr., Commissioner

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STORMWATER SEWER BASICS

Stormwater flows into the stormwater system through a storm drain. These are frequently located along the curbs of parking lots and roadways. The grate that prevents larger objects from flowing into the storm sewer system is called a catch basin. Once below ground, the stormwater flows through pipes which lead to an outfall where the stormwater enters a stream, river or lake. In most areas of New Jersey, the stormwater sewer goes directly to local waterway without any treatment.

In some areas of the state, the outfall may lead to a stormwater management basin. These basins control the flow of stormwater and can also improve water quality depending on how they are designed. These basins are frequently seen in newer commercial and residential areas.

In some older urban areas of the state, the stormwater and sanitary sewer systems may be combined. Here both stormwater and sewage from households and businesses travel together in the same pipes. Both stormwater and sewage are treated at sewage treatment plants except during heavy rains. During these occasions, both the stormwater and untreated sewage exceed the capacity of the treatment plant, and this overflow is directed into local waterways.

PROTECTING STORMWATER SEWERS

In the first rush of water from a rainstorm, much of the debris and other pollutants that had settled on the land surface and in the stormwater sewer since the last storm will be picked up and carried into the local stream. This can significantly add to water quality problems. It is therefore important to protect the stormwater system from sources of pollution.

The following should never be dumped down storm drains, road gutters or catch basins: motor oil, pet waste, grass trimmings, leaves, debris, and hazardous chemicals of any kind. Anything dumped in our stormwater collection systems will be carried into our streams.

CONTRROLLING STORMWATER FLOW

Managing stormwater to reduce the impact of development on local watersheds and qualities means examining the drainage in the natural flow. By designing with nature, the impact of urbanization can be greatly reduced.

This can be accomplished by following these principles:

- Use impervious surfaces.
- Maximize natural areas or areas of dense vegetation.
- Structural stormwater controls, such as stormwater management basins, and practicing pollution prevention by avoiding contact between stormwater and pollutants.

MANAGING STORMWATER IN YOUR BACKYARD

Managing stormwater in your own backyard is important. As an integral part of the watershed, you live in what you do in your backyard. Making a difference. Here are some examples of what you can do at home:

1. Reduce impervious surfaces by using pavers or bricks rather than concrete for a driveway or sidewalk.
2. Divert rain from paved surfaces onto grass to permit gradual infiltration.
3. Landscape with the environment in mind. Choose the appropriate plants, shrubs, and trees for the soil in your yard. Don't select plants that need lots of watering (which increases surface runoff), fertilizers or pesticides.
4. Maintain your car properly so that motor oil, brake fluids, exhaust and other fluids don't contribute to water pollution.
5. Keep stormwater clean. Never dump litter, motor oil, animal waste, or leaves into storm drains or catch basins.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD
Pet Waste Pollutes Our Waters

What You Can Do To Help Protect Our Water

Clean and plentiful water is important to our families, our environment, our economy and our quality of life.

Did you know that animal waste from pets can pollute our waters? When left on the ground, pet waste is washed by rain and melting snow and ice into storm drains that carry it to our rivers, lakes, the ocean and drinking water.

Animal waste contains a high concentration of nutrients as well as bacteria and disease-causing microorganisms that can cause problems.

What you can do

Pet owners or anyone who takes your pet for walks must properly dispose of the waste by picking it up, wrapping it and either placing it in the trash or flushing it unwrapped down the toilet.

Your municipality is required to adopt and enforce local pet-waste laws. At a minimum, your community must require that pet owners or their keepers immediately and properly dispose of their pet’s solid waste deposited on any public or private property not owned or possessed by that person. People with assistance animals such as Seeing Eye dogs are exempt.

Make sure you know what your municipality requires – and follow it.

Thank you for doing your part to keep New Jersey’s waters clean.

For more information, please contact the following:

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Water Quality
Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program
(609) 633-7021

Visit www.njstormwater.org or www.nonpointsource.org

Additional information is also available at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater or www.epa.gov/nps
Alternatives to Pesticides

When planting a garden this year, consider using alternative methods to control pests, rather than chemical pesticides. Here are a few you might try.

**HANDPICKING** is time-consuming but unbeatable. Use gloves to remove visible offending insect and weed pests.

**BARRIERS AND TRAPS** - Barriers and traps are types of mechanical controls that can be employed to capture or impede pests.

**COLLARS:** To stop hatching larvae from burrowing into the soil surrounding your plants, use "collars" made of stiff paper, heavy plastic or tar paper. Cut a piece a foot square and fit snugly around the stem of the plant and press into the soil an inch or so deep. Use a paper clip to hold in place. This prevents cutworms and other burrowing insects from getting into the soil around your plants.

**NETTING:** Fine netting such as cheese cloth, placed over the bed, will protect seedlings from chewing insects, keep cats and birds away, and prevent flying insects from laying eggs.

**COFFEE CAN TRAP:** An effective technique for trapping non-flying insects is to bury a tin can in the bed of your garden so that the lip of the can is flush with the soil surface. Some bugs will fall in the can and be unable to get out. The can should be emptied often. This trap also collects beneficial insects and is a good way to monitor the insect population in your garden.

**STICKY BOARD:** A board or thick piece of paper painted yellow and coated with a sticky substance such as tanglefoot will attract and intercept aphids and other small flying insects.

**TRAP PLANTS** - Some insects, if given a choice, will opt to feed on one type of plant or another. For example: maggots prefer radishes over corn and tomato worms prefer dill over tomatoes. Therefore, certain plants can be strategically placed so that they lure harmful insects away from plants you wish to protect. These are commonly referred to as "trap plants." Once the trap plant has become infested, the target insect can be picked off and dropped in soapy water or the entire plant can be pulled up and disposed of.

**BENEFICIAL INSECTS** - It is important to recognize that not all insects in a garden are "pests." A garden and its surroundings contain many insects that are actually beneficial to the garden because they feed on insects that are harmful. Therefore, it is good to learn how to identify garden insects and determine whether they are harmful or beneficial. Many gardening books provide illustrations of the most common beneficial and harmful insects and will provide information on how to promote the population of beneficial insects such as ladybugs, bees, green lacewings, praying mantises, dragonflies, predacious mites and thrips, predacious wasps and spiders. Some companies such as seed catalogues sell beneficial insects by mail order.

**COMPANION PLANTING** - Some plants possess the natural ability to repel certain types of insects. Companion planting is the practice of strategically placing insect-repelling plants next to crops that will benefit from their natural properties. For example, planting garlic among vegetables helps fend off
Japanese beetles, aphids, the vegetable weevil, and spider mites; basil planted near tomatoes repels tomato horn worms; and marigolds interplanted with cucurbits (i.e., zucchini, cucumbers, etc.) discourage cucumber beetles.

**CROP ROTATION** - Planting different kinds of vegetables in each different section of your garden plot each year will help reduce pest infestation. In the fall, some insects lay their eggs in the soil a couple of inches below the surface. The eggs hatch in the spring and immediately begin the search for their food source. Many insects will feed on only one or types of vegetables. If the plant they prefer to eat is located several feet or yards away, the insect must migrate to the source. Many will die along the way or fall prey to birds and other insects. Also, certain families of plants (e.g., potatoes and peppers - nightshade family) attract the same pests.

In addition, many crops predominate and absorb a particular nutrient from the soil. By rotating your crops each year, the soil in a particular section of the garden will have the opportunity to rest and regenerate.

**DIVERSIFIED PLANTING** - A common practice among home gardeners is to plant a single crop in a straight row. This encourages pest infestation because it facilitates easy travel of an insect or disease from one host plant to another. By intermingling different types of plants and by not planting in straight rows, an insect is forced to search for a new host plant thus exposing itself to predators. Also, this approach corresponds well with companion planting.

If you must use pesticides, consider the following:

**LOW TOXICITY PESTICIDES** - Formulated, biodegradable pest-control substances are commercially available. Although these products are pesticides, they have low toxicity to mammals and do not last long in the environment. The local County Extension Service can provide information on these and other pesticide products.

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Using Leaf Compost

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Composting involves primarily the microbial decomposition of organic matter. Compost— the end product— is a dark, friable, partially decomposed substance similar to natural organic matter found in the soil. The organic matter content of soils is very important. It influences the physical condition, water-holding capacity, and temperature of the soil, and especially the soil bacterial processes which affect the availability of mineral salts to plants.

Why Compost Leaves

If newly fallen leaves are added directly to the soil without first being composted, the microbes that decompose the leaves compete with growing plants for soil nitrogen. The temporary nitrogen shortage caused by the microbes can reduce plant growth. To reduce or eliminate this competition for nitrogen, composting of the leaves is recommended prior to incorporating them into soils.

Need for Organic Matter

Most New Jersey soils need an increase of 1/2 to 1% in organic matter. Sandy soils, such as loamy sands and sands, and soils with very high clay content are improved the most by an increase in organic matter content.

Benefits of Adding Leaf Compost to Soil

- Among the benefits derived from adding leaf compost to New Jersey soils are:
  - Drought damage to plants is reduced because of an increased water-holding capacity of the soils.
  - Soil tilth is improved making the soils easier to cultivate.

- Very small amounts of the 16 essential elements needed for plant growth are supplied.

- Adverse effects of excessive alkalinity, acidity, or over-fertilization are reduced by the added buffering of the soil.

- The cation exchange capacity of soils is increased, enabling the soils to hold more plant nutrients for longer periods.

- Decomposition of the organic matter produces organic acids which combine with iron and aluminum ions, thereby reducing their potential toxicity to plants. This also makes more phosphorus available for plants because free iron and aluminum can tie up the phosphates.

- The added organic matter provides a food source for desirable soil micro-organisms.

- When incorporated into the soil, or used in a thin mulch 1/16- to 1/8-inch thick, compost helps seeds to germinate.

Overall, compost improves the physical, chemical, and biological properties of soils. Leaf compost, however, is not normally considered a fertilizer as it is too low in nutrient content. It serves primarily as an organic amendment and a soil conditioner. The nitrogen content of composted leaves on a dry basis is about 1/2 to 1% by weight. For other materials commonly added to backyard leaf compost piles, the nitrogen content is: blood meal 10-14%; grass clippings 2-4%; coffee grounds 1 1/2-2%; eggshells 1-2%; horse manure 1-5%; cow manure 1-1 1/2%; poultry manure 3-5%; ammonium sulfate 20 1/2%; urea 45%; bone meal 1-1/2-4%; and cottonseed meal 6-7%.
When Compost is Ready to Use

When compost is ready to use (6 to 18 months after starting) its temperature will generally have decreased to slightly above air temperature. Finished compost will usually be drier than leaves during composting. The material also will be crumbly in texture. Before using compost, "screening" may be necessary to remove the larger partially decomposed materials. These materials will sometimes be present in composting piles because not all items decompose at the same rate. The undecomposed organic matter clumps may be broken up and added to another active compost pile for additional decomposition.

Adding Leaf Compost to the Soil

A good rate of organic matter to work into the top 6 1/2 to 7 inches of most New Jersey cultivated soils is 0.5 to 1.0% organic matter by weight. This is equivalent to adding 900 to 1,800 wet pounds (25 to 50 bushels) of leaf compost per 1,000 square feet of area. To accomplish this, spread a 3/8- to 3/4-inch depth of leaf compost uniformly over the soil surface and mix into the top 6 to 8 inches of soil.

Little or no nitrogen will be released from compost for plant use during the season immediately following incorporation into the soil. It is generally necessary to add nitrogen to soils containing compost to prevent the compost from "robbing" the soil of nitrogen and creating deficiency problems in plants grown in the soil. Adding 1 to 1 1/2 lbs. of 10% nitrogen fertilizer to each 100 lbs. (about 3 bushels) of leaf compost is recommended.

The preceding recommendations supply only the needs of the leaf compost. Most plants require an additional 1 to 3 lbs. of actual nitrogen per 1,000 square feet for normal feeding. This nitrogen should be applied to the soil in addition to that applied in the leaf compost.

Using Leaf Compost as a Mulch

Leaf compost can also be used as an organic mulch on the surface of soil in place of peatmoss, straw, etc. Organic mulches are valuable because they:

* Decrease water evaporation losses from the soil.
* Keep the soils cooler in hot weather and warmer in cold weather.
* Reduce alternate freezing and thawing of soils which can injure the fibrous roots of plants.
* Help to prevent soil erosion by wind or water.
* Keep soils friable, therefore easier to cultivate.
* Increase biological activity of earthworms and other soil organisms.
* Prevent soil sifting on leaves, flowers, or fruits such as strawberries.
* Reduce soil compaction from rain and irrigation water.
* Help to control weeds.
* Present a pleasing appearance.

Recommended thicknesses of mulch layers: 2-3 inches for deciduous shrubs and trees, vegetables, and rosebushes; 3 inches for flower beds; and 3-4 inches for shallow-rooted, acid-loving plants.

Other Uses for Leaf Compost

Leaf compost may also be used in potting soil. However, no more than 25 to 30% of the potting soil should be leaf compost. Frequently leaf compost will continue to decompose. If more than 25 to 30% of the potting soil is leaf compost, there will be a significant volume reduction of the potting soil after 1 year.

Composting generally destroys most weed seeds contained in the compost material; however, not all of them will be destroyed. Some are heat resistant, and others will not be fully exposed to the high temperatures. If a completely pasteurized leaf compost is desired for potting soil, it will be necessary to heat it in an oven until the temperature of the center of the mass reaches 180°F and is maintained for 30 minutes.
Yard Trimings Management Strategies in New Jersey

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Introduction

Most yard debris consists of leaves, grass clippings, prunings, branches, trunks of trees, and their root systems. There are various options for managing these materials. The following are some guidelines to assist decision makers and others in determining best management strategies.

Materials Management Guidelines

Leaves: In New Jersey, leaves were banned from landfills, transfer stations, and incinerators in 1988. Collected leaves are generally composted at municipal, regional, commercial, or farm sites in large windrows (elongated piles) using the Leaf Composting Manual for New Jersey Municipalities as a guide. Municipal, regional, and private facilities can use a Type 1.11 simplified New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) permit, if fewer than 20,000 cubic yards of leaves are composted annually, or a more detailed Type 2.1 permit, if the volume is greater.

Farmers can accept leaves for composting with the simplified permit if the volume is less than 20,000 cubic yards or can receive leaves to be mulched into the soil at no greater than a six-inch depth on the soil and within seven days from delivery without need of a permit. This requires that the leaves be incorporated into the soil no later than the next tillage season.

Backyard composting (household scale) is the most cost-effective method of leaf composting because of avoided collection costs, tipping fees, permits, equipment, and management costs. Refer to fact sheets FS074 and FS117. Further detailed information about composting and trimings management can be obtained through Rutgers Cooperative Extension and the NJDEP, Bureau of Resource Recovery.

Grass Clippings: Ideally, lawns should be mowed frequently (about five-day intervals) removing only one-third of the grass blade. The clippings will biodegrade at the soil surface providing nitrogen and organic matter. Although any type mower may be used, mulching mowers or mulching attachments on traditional rotary machines can improve the results by chopping more finely. If clippings are long and clump on the lawn, the excess can be raked up and used as a nitrogen source in the backyard composting pile. Permits can be issued by the
NJDEP to include a limited volume of grass clippings in large-scale leaf composting facilities, but the rules are quite stringent to prevent odor problems, which are common, when grass is composting in an anaerobic (oxygen-deficient) environment. A one-year farm grass clippings demonstration permit is available to farmers from NJDEP to apply grass around seasonal crops under a nutrient management plan.

**Prunings:** Trimmings from trees, shrubs, hedges, and perennials are composted at some permitted facilities, but can also be composted in the backyard pile. A shredder-grinder is helpful to break down larger woody material to a more compostable size.

**Tree Limbs:** Limbs can be cut for firewood or chipped to make a mulch for landscape use. If finely ground, the product can be composted, but at a slower rate than leaves or grass clippings. Woodchips can be used as a carbon source, when composting sewage sludge.

**Tree Trunks:** Trunks are usually cut, split, and dried for use as firewood. Some desirable species are used to make furniture and cabinetry, and others are ground for mulch or pulp.

**Tree Root Systems:** Excavated tree roots are generally ground into mulch material. Massive root systems and trunks that are not made into firewood or mulch cannot be stockpiled at a site and are classified as Type 13 Bulky Waste, which must be hauled away for grinding or other processing.

**Summary**

Because yard trimmings are recyclable through composting or other means, it is prudent for government, businesses, farmers, and other people to avoid non-recycling avenues for managing this important fraction of the solid waste stream.

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1. **Backyard Leaf Composting**, FS074, Franklin Flower and Peter F. Strom, Dept. of Environmental Science, Cook College.


Home Composting

William T. Hlubik, Middlesex County Agricultural Agent; Jonathon Forsell, Former Essex County Agricultural Agent (deceased); Richard Weidman, Middlesex County Program Associate; and Mark Winokur, Former Program Assistant

What is Composting?
Composting is a natural process where organic materials decompose and are recycled into a dark, crumbly, earthy smelling soil conditioner known as “compost”. Compost improves soil structure and moisture retention, and contributes to healthy plant growth by providing plant nutrients.

Why Should I Compost?
- Composting can save money!
- Reduces fertilizer and water use
- Avoids garbage collection and landfill fees
- Reduces the need for soil and plant amendments
- Composting helps the environment
- Reduces the volume of garbage going to landfills, transfer stations and incinerators
- Composting benefits your soil and plants
- Improves soil structure and texture
- Increases aeration and water holding
- Promotes soil fertility
- Stimulates healthy root development
- Aids in erosion control
- Reduces chemical inputs
- Composting is easy
- Save time bagging grass and leaves
- Quick and fun way to do part for the environment

Compost Ingredients

Do Compost:
- Vegetable food scraps
- Grass clippings
- Leaves
- Flowers
- Weeds
- Sawdust and wood ash
- Chopped twigs and branches
- Coffee grounds w/filters
Don’t compost:

× Meat scraps
× Diseased or insect infested plants
× Weeds with seeds
× Dog and Cat feces
× Food with grease or soap residues

Composting Methods

Slow Harvest: Ready in 12-18 Months

Made by adding layers of available yard waste over several months.

1. Set compost bin where it will get rain.

2. Put yard waste in bin as it is generated in your yard. The material at the bottom and in the center will compost first.

Fast Harvest: Ready in 5-15 Weeks

Made by mixing equal weights of green and brown materials at once.

1. Add green materials such as grass clippings or vegetable scraps mixed with brown materials such as leaves (no woody-type materials should be included).

2. Add water to pile until it’s as wet as a wrung out sponge.

3. Turn pile with a pitchfork or compost aeration tool twice a week for faster compost production (less often in wintertime).

Types of Compost Bins

Compost can be made in open piles. However, to help keep a pile neat and maintain conditions needed for rapid decomposition, consider simple homemade or store bought bins. See back page for demonstration sites in New Jersey.

Homemade Bins:
- Made from wood pallets
- Made from snow fences

Store Bought:
- Compost Tumbler
- Durable Plastic Bin

Troubleshooting

Here is how to solve problems should they occur:

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Keys to Good Compost

Water: The microorganisms in the compost pile need water to live. Water pile only as needed, to maintain compost as moist as a wrung out sponge. Don’t let your pile dry out completely.

Nutrients: The microorganisms in the pile need carbon for energy and nitrogen for protein in order to survive. A good balance can be achieved by mixing two parts of nitrogen rich green materials such as grass clippings, with one part of carbon rich brown materials such as leaves. However, carbon-rich leaves by themselves will compost.

Aeration: To speed up decomposition, turn the pile frequently using a pitch fork. This provides the microorganisms with enough oxygen to thrive so they can heat up the compost. Placing large branches at the bottom of the pile will also help add air to the pile. Minimal turning would be once per month and less frequently during the year.

Surface area: The more surface area the microorganisms have to work on, the faster materials will decompose. Consider chopping materials, particularly brush or branches which have a diameter of ¼ inch or more. Pile size is also important. For quicker decomposition, pile should be at least 3 feet x 3 feet to hold the heat of microbial activity, but not so large (larger than 5 feet x 5 feet) that air can’t reach microbes at the center of the pile.

Use for Compost

Mulch: Spread compost around flower and vegetable plantings, trees, shrubs, and on exposed slopes. This will smoother weeds, keep plant roots moist, and prevent soil erosion.

Soil Conditioner: Mix 1-3 inches of compost into vegetable and flower beds before planting. This returns organic matter to the soil in a usable form.

Potting Mix: Make your own mix by using equal parts of compost and sand or soil. Make sure compost is fully decomposed and screened.

Resources

Some books to help you along...

Backyard Composting, Harmonious Technologies, P.O. Box 1865-100 Ojai, CA 93024


Let it Rot, Stu Campbell, Storey Communications, Inc., Schoolhouse Rd., RD #1, Box 105, Pownal, VT 05261

The Rodale Guide to Composting, R.A. Simpson, Rodale Press, 33 E. Miner St., Emmaus, PA 18098

Worms Eat My Garbage, Mary Appelhof, Flower Press, 10322 Shaver Rd., Kalamazoo, MI 49002

For additional information on composting or where to get compost materials, call your Rutgers Cooperative Extension county office, found in the telephone directory blue pages, under “County Government” or your county recycling office.

Compost Deconstruction Areas

These areas in New Jersey have various types of compost bins on display. Call ahead for hours and when tours or workshops are given.

Atlantic County
Atlantic County Utilities Authority Geo Garden
6700 Delilah Rd., Egg Harbor Township, NJ
Contact: (609) 646-6600

Burlington County
Burlington County Resource Recovery Geo Garden Complex, Rt 543, Border of Florence and Mansfield Township
Contact: (609) 499-5210
Mazza & Sons, Inc. Recycling Facility
3230 Shafts Rd.,
Tinton Falls, NJ
Contact: (732) 922-9292

Middlesex County
Davidson's Mill Pond Park, Riva Avenue, South
Brunswick, NJ
Contact: (732) 745-3443

Monmouth County
Deep Cut Park, Red Hill Rd.,
Middletown, NJ
Contact: (732) 842-4000

Morris County
Frelinghuysen Arboretum, 53 E. Hanover Ave.,
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: (973) 326-7600

Passaic County
Passaic County Office of Recycling
1310 Rt. 23 N,
Wayne, NJ
Contact: (973) 305-5734

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Kitchen wastes, such as fruits, vegetables, coffee grounds, tea bags, and eggshells, are a part of the solid waste stream. Most of this material is disposed of as garbage at transfer stations, landfills, and incinerators at a high economic and environmental cost to citizens. A positive alternative is to compost kitchen scraps using red worms to make a valuable compost for use as a soil amendment or as a starter mix for house plants or seedlings. Note: Avoid meats, oils, and grease in the compost system.

Worm composting is enjoyable, and it demonstrates the natural process of decomposition and the life cycle of the organisms involved.

Materials

- A worm bin can be made from an old dresser drawer, a 5-gallon plastic bucket, or from wood. A wooden box should be approximately 2 ft. X 2 ft. X 8 in. high. Do not use cedar, as it is toxic to the worms.

- Bedding material: shredded, moist newspaper, cardboard, and/or leaf compost.

- Watering can or container to provide water for the system.

- Red worms (Eisenia fetida) 1 pound. They can be ordered from:
  
  Flowerfield Enterprises
  10332 Shaver Road
  Kalamazoo, MI 49002
  
  Lower East Side Ecological Center
  P. O. Box 20488
  New York, NY 10009

Procedure

1. Shred newspapers or cardboard or use leaf compost. Moisten this material and place it in the bin loosely to provide for air circulation.

2. Add 1 lb. of red worms to the bin. They will crawl to the bottom of the bedding material to avoid the light.

3. Place food scraps except animal products (meats, greases, etc.) under the bedding. The worms can consume 3 to 3 1/2 lbs. of kitchen waste per week while making vermicompost.

4. Keep the bin covered loosely with plastic or newspaper to retain moisture. The box should be checked every day or two...
for moisture. When the surface or edges of the bedding begin to dry, add water.

**Summary**

The process takes about 3 to 4 months to produce a finished vermicompost product, which looks like brown coffee grounds. The compost consists of worm castings, partially decomposed kitchen waste, and some undecomposed bedding. The worms eat not only the food, but also the newspaper or other bedding. Vermicompost can be mixed into garden soil to improve structure and to provide nutrients, can be used as mulch, or as a potting soil mix.

To separate the compost, place it on a table under lights. The worms will go to the bottom of the pile away from the light. Remove the finished compost and start the process over again. Because the worms have reproduced, you can separate out the surplus and start a new box. Always keep the bin at a temperature above freezing and below 95°F. The bin should be kept indoors in winter, but can be placed in the shade in summer. Stop feeding for several days or weeks before ready to use.

**References**

Minimizing Waste Disposal: Grass Clippings

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Since refuse disposal costs have dramatically increased, and some landfills no longer accept grass clippings, many individuals and government agencies are seeking alternatives for disposal of clippings. During the maximum grass growing period, the municipal refuse load in some New Jersey suburban communities may contain nearly one-third grass clippings. Collected clippings become anaerobic very quickly because of their high demand for oxygen. After becoming anaerobic they emit strongly unpleasant odors. Therefore, grass clippings (in quantity) are difficult to handle and to process.

From our own experience with the handling and disposal of grass clippings, and discussions with others such as lawn care professionals, we suggest considering the following methods to reduce landfilling:

1. RETURN TO LAWN — It is most desirable to leave grass clippings uncollected on the lawn so that they are recycled, contributing to soil organic matter and supplying part of the fertilizer needs of the lawn. Adopt a mowing schedule to keep clippings short enough to filter through growing grass and not remain as a mat on top of the lawn. Research and experience indicate that only 1/3 of the grass length should be removed during mowing. Never allow the lawn grass to double its height between mowings. This approach not only eliminates clipping collection and disposal problems, but also can contribute to improvement of the lawn.

Clippings are not a cause of thatch in lawns. Rather, thatch is formed primarily from a dense accumulation of grass roots and stemmy material. Returning clippings along with proper mowing frequency will not increase disease problems.

Use caution when removing collection bags from mowers. Some machines are not designed to operate safely without a bag or other attachment in place. If you are unsure, check with your equipment supplier.

2. GARDEN MULCH — Grass clippings can be used as a garden mulch. To minimize any tendency to protect slugs, clippings can be dried in the sun for a day prior to being used in this way. Clippings can be spread on garden soil to check weed growth, reduce soil spattering and crustng, moderate soil temperatures, etc. As a precaution, do not use grass clippings from herbicide-treated lawns until after two grass cuttings have been made.

3. SOIL INCORPORATION — Clippings can serve as a source of organic matter for soil improvement when incorporated into the garden.

4. BACKYARD COMPOSTING — Grass clippings can be composted, particularly when incorporated into a backyard leaf composting pile. However, grass has a high nitrogen content, a much higher demand for oxygen than leaves, and a tendency to mat, thereby greatly reducing the passage of oxygen. Composting piles containing
grass clippings thus readily become anaerobic. This, in turn, can produce strong, unpleasant odors. These odors are particularly noticeable when the pile is disturbed.

Because of these problems, grass clippings should not be composted alone, but rather mixed with composting leaves. The partially decayed leaves which now (6-9 months after leaf fall) have a low demand for oxygen, will serve as a bulking agent permitting more oxygen to reach the grass. Grass, which is high in nitrogen, will provide a more rapid decomposition of the remaining leaves as long as it remains under aerobic conditions. Grass clippings will also contribute to a better end product (higher nitrogen content) than that obtained from composting leaves alone. One must be aware, however, that an excess of damp grass in the pile will soon become anaerobic, produce very unpleasant odors, and reduce the rate of decomposition. The objective is to keep the material aerobic. Also, to ensure that excess nitrogen is not given off as ammonia, do not add more than 1 part fresh grass clippings to 3 parts partially composted leaves.

The resulting compost can be used as a soil amendment, as a mulch for gardens, flower or shrub beds, or as a potting medium.

5. MUNICIPAL COMPOSTING — Some grass clippings can be incorporated into a municipal leaf composting operation. However, problems that may be experienced with backyard grass composting could be greatly magnified at a municipal facility. Even grass stored for one day or less in plastic bags or the back of a lawn maintenance pick-up truck may emit very unpleasant odors when being unloaded at the site. For this reason, grass clippings are banned at many leaf composting facilities, unless they are very isolated. Research is continuing in this area, but other problems include the high cost of collection and an inadequate supply of leaves for the amount of clippings.

Partially composted leaves should be mixed with the grass in a 3:1 ratio, or more. Because the leaves have already decomposed by the time the grass comes to the site, however, this means the ratio actually collected must be at least 6:1. For most towns this would be possible only if most of the grass clippings are handled directly by residents on their own property.

6. CLIPPING REDUCTION — Fertilizing and watering above the requirements of the grasses may be more detrimental than beneficial to the lawn. One of the effects is increased production of clippings. (Another is potential ground or surface water pollution.) Judicious and proper use of fertilizer and water can provide an attractive lawn with a reduction in the costs, effort, susceptibility to disease, and amount of clippings produced. A fertilization program should emphasize fertilizing the lawn in the fall season rather than in the spring. This can be effective not only in reducing the amount of clippings produced, but also in contributing to a better lawn.

Two related fact sheets: “Backyard Leaf Composting” (FS074) and “Using Leaf Compost” (FS117), and assistance with procedures covered above, may be obtained from the Rutgers Cooperative Extension office in your county. The telephone number appears under County Government in your local phone directory.
Backyard Leaf Composting

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Many New Jersey homeowners have an excessive quantity of leaves in the fall. One alternative for dealing with leaves is backyard composting. This process involves primarily the microbial decomposition of organic matter. Compost - the end result - is a dark, friable, partially decomposed substance similar to natural organic matter found in the soil.

**The Composting Process**

Composting speeds natural decomposition under semi-controlled conditions. Raw organic materials can be converted into compost by microorganisms. As microorganisms decompose organic matter, temperatures within the pile increase, sometimes approaching 150 degrees F. at the center. These inside-pile temperatures speed the process, and kill many weed and disease organisms.

Leaves may be composted by piling them in a heap. Locate the pile where drainage is adequate and there is no standing water. The composting pile should be damp enough that when a sample taken from the interior is squeezed by hand a few drops of water will appear. A shaded area will reduce moisture evaporation from the surface, but tree roots may grow into the pile. If the surface of the pile becomes excessively dry, it will not compost, and those leaves may blow away.

The leaf pile should be at least 4 feet in diameter and 3 feet in height. If it is too small, it is difficult to maintain adequate temperatures for rapid decomposition. The maximum size should be about 5 feet in height and 10 feet in diameter. If the pile is too large, the interior will not obtain the oxygen needed for adequate, odor-free decomposition. If more material is available, lengthen the pile into a rectangular shape while keeping it 10 feet wide and 5 feet high. If there is sufficient space and material, two or three piles will provide greater flexibility. One pile can contain compost for immediate use; the second is actively composting; and the third receives newly fallen leaves. If there is space for only one pile, new material may be added gradually to the top while removing the decomposed product from the bottom.

**Containing the Pile**

Composting may be done in a loose pile. However, for the most efficient use of space, it can be contained in a bin or other enclosure. The sides of this bin should be loose enough to permit air movement. One side should be open, or easily opened, for turning the pile and for removing the finished compost.

Woven wire or wooden slat fencing, or cement blocks on their sides have been used successfully. Wood gradually decomposes, and wire fencing may rust, so these materials will need periodic replacement. Wooden stakes driven into the ground may attract termites, so lumber treated with wood preservative or metal snow-fence posts may be better.

**Constructing the Pile**

Many instruction sheets advocate constructing the pile in layers that may include grass clippings, fertilizer, limestone, manure, soil, and leaves. However, we have found this practice to be unnecessary. The pile can be constructed of leaves only. A small amount of grass clippings may be added to the leaves as the pile is being constructed. However, because of its high demand for oxygen, too much grass tends to cause an anaerobic (without oxygen) condition. This greatly reduces the composting rate, and can produce unpleasant odors. Fresh vegetable peelings may be included, but do not add meat or grease because they may cause odors or attract pests.

Unless leaves are collected in a very wet condition, add water while placing them in the pile. Without moisture, the microorganisms will not function. Moist-en to the point...
where it is possible to squeeze droplets of water from a hand-held mass of leaves.

Dead leaves lack adequate nitrogen for rapid decomposition. Therefore, a high-nitrogen fertilizer added to the pile may speed up decomposition. However, since leaves fall only for about 2 months a year, there are 10 months for decomposition before space is needed for the next batch. So, while it is generally unnecessary to add fertilizer, for more rapid decomposition and a product with a higher nutritive content, 5 ounces (about 1/2 cup) of 10% nitrogen fertilizer per 20-gallon can of hand-compacted leaves could be added. Fresh manure could be substituted, but it may cause odor problems.

Ordinarily, it is unnecessary to add ground limestone because the pile seldom becomes too acidic. If fertilizer has been added, an equivalent quantity of limestone will counteract any acidity. Little or no limestone should be added if the compost is to be used on acid-loving plants.

Some guides on leaf composting recommend adding layers of soil periodically to the pile to supply the microorganisms needed for decomposition. We have not found this practice to be necessary, because leaves, themselves, contain a multitude of microorganisms. Available commercial activators or starters definitely are not needed.

Avoid packing the materials too tightly. Too much compaction will limit movement of air through the pile. Shredding the leaves generally speeds up composting.

To reduce weed germination, weeds in flower or with seeds should not be composted. Also, it is best to avoid composting diseased plants, or herbicide-treated lawn clippings until after at least three mowings.

**Care of the Pile**

The composting pile must be kept moist, but not soggy, for proper decomposition. Inadequate moisture reduces microbial activity, while excessive water may cause anaerobic conditions. A thin outer layer of dry leaves is unavoidable.

The pile should be periodically turned or mixed. The main objectives of turning are to shift materials from the outer parts of the pile closer to the center for better decomposition, and to incorporate oxygen. During warm weather, turn the pile once a month. In cool weather, frequent turning is not recommended because it allows too much heat to escape. Piles should be turned immediately if ammonia or other offensive odors are detected. If space is available, turning may be accomplished by shifting the entire pile to an adjacent area or bin.

Within a few weeks after starting, the pile should be hot in the center. Heating generally indicates that the pile is decomposing properly. Failure to heat may be caused by too little or too much water, improper aeration, packing too tightly, or a pile that is too small. As leaves decompose, they should shrink to less than one-half of their original volume. During dry weather it may be necessary to add more water. The moisture content of the interior of the pile should be observed while turning.

**Using Leaf Compost**

Finished compost should be dark and crumbly with much of the original appearance no longer visible. It should have an earthy odor. Normally, compost will be ready in 4-9 months.

The major horticultural use for leaf compost is to improve the organic content of soil. Most New Jersey soils need an increase of 1/2 to 1% in organic content, particularly to improve moisture-holding capacity and tilth. Leaf compost is not normally a fertilizer, because it is too low in nutrients. Compost serves primarily as an organic amendment and as a soil conditioner. Soil mulch is another valuable use for leaf compost.

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WHAT IS GROUNDWATER?

Groundwater is the water beneath the land. It is the water that fills the spaces between the grains of soil and rock beneath the earth's surface. Groundwater is an important source of water for drinking, irrigation, and industry. It is also a key component of the water cycle, providing a reservoir of fresh water that is replenished over time.

Groundwater is a valuable resource, but it must be managed carefully to ensure its sustainability. Over-extraction can lead to a decline in groundwater levels, which can have negative impacts on the environment and human health. To maintain healthy groundwater supplies, it is important to use groundwater wisely and to protect the quality of the recharge areas where water replenishes the groundwater system.
The Water Cycle

Precipitation

Evaporation

Condensation

Collection

The transfer of water from the oceans to the atmosphere and back again is called the water cycle. Water evaporates from the oceans and surrounding bodies of water, then condenses into clouds and falls as precipitation. This process helps regulate Earth's climate and provides fresh water for drinking, agriculture, and industry.

Water Conservation

Conserving water throughout the home can help prevent pollution. Using less water reduces the need for more treatment plants and can help save energy.

Groundwater Complications

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Why Label Storm Drains?

Storm drain labeling is a great way to make people in your community more aware of nonpoint source pollution and polluted runoff. Nonpoint Source Pollution, or people pollution, is a contamination of our ground water, waterways, and ocean that results from everyday activities such as fertilizing the lawn, walking pets, changing motor oil and littering. With each rainfall, pollutants generated by these activities are washed into storm drains that flow into our waterways and ocean. Polluted runoff is stormwater contaminated by nonpoint source pollution. It harms local waterways, which we rely on for recreation and drinking water.

Residents may not be aware that most storm drains empty directly into local waterways, without treatment. Some individuals may view storm drains as trash receptacles for trash, used motor oil, leftover paint, pet waste or other pollutants. Storm drain labeling serves as an educational tool to remind people about the connection between storm drains and local waterbodies.

By labeling storm drains we can make everyone more aware of the nonpoint source pollution and polluted runoff. This is one step in educating people so that they can change their attitudes and behaviors that contribute to the problem.

Storm drain inlet labeling is also a requirement of New Jersey's new municipal stormwater permitting program. All Tier A municipalities are required to establish a storm drain inlet labeling program and label all storm drain inlets that are along municipal streets with sidewalks, and all storm drains within plazas, parking areas, or maintenance yards operated by the municipality. This program establishes a schedule for labeling, develops a long term maintenance plan and when possible coordinates the efforts with watershed groups and volunteer organizations. On an annual basis, these Tier A municipalities must identify the number of storm drains labeled. For more information on this program, visit www.njstormwater.org or call 609-633-7021.

A key factor in the success of a storm drain labeling program is visibility. Publicity in the local media about the event and volunteer participation in the event greatly increases the value of the labeling program as an educational tool. Municipalities are not required to use volunteers or seek media attention, but these activities do greatly improve the overall value of the program. Municipalities may opt to label the storm drains themselves or organize the storm drain labeling activities of local volunteers.
Types of Labeling
There are two types of storm drain labeling that can be done, stenciling with paint or gluing storm drain markers. Stenciling involves using a stencil and paint to label the drain. This type of marking has been used since early 1990s. The paint generally lasts up to 2 years, depending on weather and traffic conditions. Marking involves gluing a purchased marker to the storm drain. This method may last up to 10 years.

In determining which type of labeling to use, consider the cost of materials and how long they will last. Stenciling costs less initially and lasts a shorter time than markers which costs more initially but last longer. Another consideration is the educational value of the actual labeling process for the participants and residents. Since stenciling is done more frequently, it provides a more frequent reminder about polluted runoff.

How to Label Storm Drains
Below we have outlined the various tasks necessary to conduct a successful labeling event. At each event there are unique circumstances that come up and must be addressed by the organizers. A coordinator should be designated to oversee the event.

Preparation before the Event

1. Form an organizing committee and designate tasks.

2. Determine whether or not you will use stencils or markers. Determine what your stencils or markers will say and whether or not you want to include a graphic such as a fish, turtle, heron or crab. Some suggested messages are: “NO DUMPING – DRAINS TO RIVER, “ONLY RAIN DOWN THE STORM DRAIN,” and “DUMP NO WASTE – DRAINS LOCAL WATERWAY.” These messages can be customized to include the names of local waterbodies. In addition, you may wish to print the message in other languages depending on the community. Spanish is included as a standard on some markers.

3. Determine whether you will be purchasing materials or looking for donations. Include time to manufacture the markers or stencils in your timeline.

4. Identify your targeted area for labeling. Survey the area to locate the storm drains and determine how many there are. This information will determine how many labels you will need to buy and how many people will be involved in the event.

5. Select a date and a rain date for the event. Select the time and meeting location for the event.
   a. Find out if there are any other events planned for that time period that might conflict or compliment your labeling event. A litter clean-up by the local environmental commission or flower planting by the garden club would compliment your labeling.
b. The pavement or storm drain structure must be over 50 degrees for marking so that the adhesives will work properly. The surface must be dry for either stencils or markers.

6. Obtain written permission from your county or municipality to conduct the labeling. Call your county or municipality to find out the appropriate person or department to obtain permission from, usually the public works, highway or sewage authority. Ask them for a map of storm drains that you have permission to label.

7. In order to involve more volunteers, call various groups in your school and neighborhood to find out if they would be interested in participating. Consider involving your local AmeriCorps New Jersey Watershed Ambassador (See Resources Available at NJDEP section).

8. Prepare a promotional flyer to distribute to potential volunteers. You may want to invite friends, family, school clubs, youth groups, community organizations and neighbors. It may be beneficial to call these groups and/or make a presentation at one of their meetings.

9. Request support from local businesses to provide refreshments either before or after the event. Local businesses may also wish to contribute stenciling supplies (garbage bags, paint, brushes, gloves, etc.).

10. Invite community leaders including elected officials to participate in the event.

11. Acquire or prepare an informational flier to hand out during the event. Many materials are available for no or low cost from government agencies such as the NJ Department of Environmental Protection, local environmental groups or watershed associations (See Resource Section at the back of this booklet).

12. Prepare a press alert at least two weeks prior to the event and send it to the local media. Follow-up by calling the reporters and editors before the event.

13. Survey the area before the event to familiarize yourself with it. Note any safety concerns.

**Week before the event**

14. Make sure all materials are on hand. Prepare packets of supplies and information for each of your teams. Include a map of their area to label. Prepare sign-in sheets, name tags, and copies.

15. Make follow-up phone calls to confirm volunteers. Advise them of who to call in case of inclement weather. Make sure they know the time and location for the event.

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16. Confirm refreshments if you are providing them.

17. Make follow up phone calls to the news media and local officials.

**Day of the Event**

1. Plan to arrive early to allow time to set-up before volunteers arrive.

2. Register volunteers. Allow about 30 minutes for registration and refreshments.

3. Give an overview of the day and why their work is important.

4. Divide volunteers into teams. Assign a team leader. Teams should be composed of 4 to 6 people. Make sure they have enough supplies for the area they will cover. Go over safety considerations.

5. Give volunteers a lesson on how to label the storm drain.

6. Send teams out to different areas, making sure that each team is clear on what area they are to stencil. Give them a specific time to return.

7. Take photographs of the event in order to document it and/or use them in a post-event press release.

8. When they return, collect leftover supplies. Dispose of any collected trash and recyclables properly.

9. Ask volunteers for feedback on the event. Provide refreshments if appropriate.

**Follow-up after the Event**

1. Send thank you letters to volunteers, businesses, supporters and any others that assisted you in the project.

2. Send a post-event press release to the local media. Include photographs of the actual event. Be sure to mention volunteer groups, sponsors and community leaders that were involved in the event.

3. Put together a summary of the event and provide it to your municipality.
Labeling Tips
All surfaces must be dry for either stenciling or marking.

Remember while working in or near the street, there is inherent risk. Be very cautious of passing cars, especially if you are working with children. Consider wearing brightly-colored safety vests, using traffic cones to protect your team and assigning a team member to serve as look-out for traffic.

Storm Drain Stenciling Tips

Supplies you will need:
- Stencils
- Latex paint
- Foam brushes
- Safety Vests
- Educational flyers
- Gloves*
- Paint stirrer
- Wire brushes or brooms
- Dustpans
- Newspapers or rags
- Trash bags

Remember:
- A little paint goes a long way!! Using too much blurs the stencil image.
- Try to stencil in area where cars will not be driving directly on the paint. This greatly shortens the life of the paint.

How to stencil:
- Use a wire brush or broom to clear away any loose debris from the spot where the stencil will be placed. Pull weeds if necessary. Put debris in garbage bags and dispose of it properly. Keep recyclables separate and recycle any items that can be recycled.
- Designate one team member as the safety person to look out for vehicles.
- Have two team members hold down the stencil firmly on the street in front of or behind the storm drain. A third team member can gently sponge or brush paint onto the stencil. You do not need to soak the brush. The less paint you use the more control you will have in painting a clearly legible message. When using the foam brush, press straight up and down on the street to apply the paint. Wiping side to side will cause the paint to get trapped under the stencil blurring the message. All three of these team members should wear gloves.
- Once painting is completed, lift the stencil straight up to prevent smearing.
- While some team members are stenciling, others may hand out educational flyers to people passing by or to nearby businesses in the vicinity of the stenciled areas.

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Storm Drain Marking Tips

Supplies you will need:
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- Adhesive
- Safety Vests
- Educational flyers
- Gloves*
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- Dustpans
- Newspapers or rags
- Trash bags

Remember:
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ACP International
1010 Oakmead
Arlington, Texas 76011
817-640-0992
www.acpinternational.com

das Manufacturing
3610 Cinnamon Trace Drive
Valrico, Florida 33594
800-549-6024
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Earthwater Stencils
Rochester, Washington
(360) 956-3774
www.earthwater-stencils.com

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The New Jersey Watershed Ambassadors Program
The New Jersey Watershed Ambassadors Program is a community-oriented AmeriCorps environmental program designed to raise awareness about water issues in New Jersey. Through this program, AmeriCorps members are placed across the state to serve their local communities. Watershed Ambassadors monitor the rivers of New Jersey through River Assessment and Biological Assessment volunteer monitoring protocols. Watershed Ambassadors also make interactive presentations to community organizations and schools. They also organize and participate in stewardship projects such as storm drain stenciling, litter clean-ups and restoration projects.

Project WET (Water Education for Teachers)
Project WET is a nationally renowned program that offers teachers a better understanding about the world's water resources through hands-on, multi-disciplinary lessons. Project WET is the only program that teaches about the importance and value of water in our every day life with formal and non-formal educators while offering specialized programs about New Jersey's water resources and watersheds. NJ Project WET is a well-rounded program that focuses on water supply, water quality, water conservation, watershed management, land use planning and wetlands. Project WET provides educators with accurate insight into critical water issues while offering a large selection of creative teaching strategies.

In addition to workshops, NJ Project WET reaches another 5,000 students annually and an estimated 12,000 parents, volunteers, educators and administrators through its Water Festival Grant Program. A Water Festival is a one-day celebration of water with a focus on a school's watershed. Students participate in a series of learning stations that examine water use over time, water's role in shaping our country, what a watershed is, how water is cleaned and used again, how a molecule travels through the water cycle and much more. The festivals involve the community and attract positive media attention that reaches thousands of people across the state.

NJ Project WET offers a unique learning opportunity for high school students and teachers through its Watershed Stewards Program. This program focuses on a weekend leadership workshop for a high school team of four or five students. They are provided instruction and training in watershed topics and team-building experiences that prepare them to focus on a watershed service project that will address an environmental concern. Each Watershed Steward Team must work with three community organizations and solicit another 20 volunteers to assist with the project. Participants receive a small grant to conduct a Watershed Steward Project.

Harbor Watershed / Urban Fishing Program
The goal of the Urban Fishing Program is to educate young students living in the Newark

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Bay Complex about the hazards of eating contaminated fish and help them to discover the beauty of the great natural resource. Students who participate in the program sample recreational opportunities that the bay has to offer while learning how to be responsible citizens within the estuary. The students experience four days of intense yet enjoyable instruction related to the Newark Bay Complex. Throughout the four days students are given hands-on experiences such as fishing, water monitoring, eco-cruising and community clean-ups which will endure with them over a lifetime. The program also includes a storm drain marking program that can help municipalities fulfill their stormwater permitting requirements.

**Clean Water Raingers Program**
This program offers educators a number of teaching materials for their students as well as background information on watersheds and nonpoint source pollution. Educators who participate in the Clean Waters Raingers Program are provided with free booklets and associated materials for their elementary school age students. The *Clean Water Raingers Coloring Book, How to be a Clean Water Rainger Booklet* and the *Clean Water Raingers stickers* are also popular giveaways at family oriented events and festivals. These publications are also available online on the Department's environmental education web page.

**Volunteer Monitoring Program - Watershed Watch**
The Division has begun to implement a Volunteer Monitoring Program over the last several years. Volunteers are being encouraged to assess their local waterways using visual surveys or benthic macroinvertebrate studies. The Watershed Watch Network, comprised of volunteer monitors from across the state, works with the Department to better coordinate and improve the data collected by volunteers.

**Publications**
The DWM produces a number of stormwater related publications that are available for free distribution to municipalities, watershed associations, environmental groups or other organizations. These include *What’s A Watershed?* Brochure, *New Jersey’s Watersheds* Poster, and *Watershed Focus* Newsletter.
Additional Resources
There are many government agencies, environmental groups, and watershed association that have resources to help you. They can help you organize an event, provide volunteers, or provide educational resources. Please contact organizations in your area.

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The Clean Communities Council works with the state departments of Environmental Protection and Treasury to oversee the implementation of litter abatement programs in 556 municipalities and 21 counties. The Council provides a clearinghouse for information about litter abatement, forums for the free exchange of ideas, and a voice for its constituents.

The Council also will ask towns and counties to report how Clean Communities grant money is spent—the number of cleanups held, number of volunteers who participated, the amount and type of litter and recyclables picked up, and the number and type of educational programs offered to schools and community groups. This information will be compiled in the Annual Report to the Governor and Legislature.

Storm drain labeling is one of the allowable costs under this entitlement program. If you are planning a storm drain labelling event, please contact your local Clean Communities Coordinator to see if funding is available.
Useful websites
In addition, there are many valuable websites that can give you background information on nonpoint source pollution, polluted runoff, watershed and storm drain marking. They are listed below.

NJ Department of Environmental Protection
www.nj.gov/dep
_features information on the Department’s clean water initiatives, educational materials and regulatory programs_

United States Environmental Protection Agency
www.epa.gov/owow/nps/
_features basic information at the national level on nonpoint source pollution_

The Watershed Institute
www.thewatershedinstitute.org
_features information about watershed associations from across the state_

Watershed Partnership for New Jersey
www.wjni.org
_features information on watershed educational resource in New Jersey_
What's a watershed?

No matter where you are in New Jersey, you are in a watershed. Watersheds are everywhere... from your front doorstep to the local park to the shopping mall to the creek down the road. Watersheds are the link between our land, our water and our communities because the quality of our water is linked to how we use the watershed surrounding it.

So what is a watershed?
What's a watershed?

A watershed is the area of land that drains into a body of water such as a river, lake, stream or bay. It is separated from other watersheds by high points in the area such as hills or slopes. It includes not only the waterway itself but also the entire land area that drains to it. For example, the watershed of a lake would include not only the streams entering that lake but also the land area that drains into those streams and eventually the lake. Drainage basins generally refer to large watersheds that encompass the watersheds of many smaller rivers and streams.

What's the water cycle?

For millions of years, water has been used. It is constantly being recycled and reused. It is important to understand how water moves through the Earth's water cycle, which is defined as the movement of water from the Earth's surface into the atmosphere and back to the Earth's surface again.

When it rains, the rainwater flows over land into waterways or is absorbed by the ground or plants. Water evaporates from land and water bodies becoming water vapor in the atmosphere. Water is also released from trees and other plants through "transpiration." The water vapor from evaporation and transpiration forms clouds in the atmosphere which in turn provide precipitation (rain, hail, snow, sleet) to start the cycle over again. This process of water recycling, known as the water cycle, repeats itself continuously.

What's your watershed address?

Where does the water that rains on your home go? After it leaves your lawn, street or sidewalk where is it headed? Does it flow downhill straight to a nearby stream or lake? Does it wander into a wetlands? Does it puddle in your backyard? Does it zip down a storm drain to a local creek?

That destination, whether it's a puddle, a pond, a bay or a lake, is your watershed address. It could be Duck Pond, Spring Lake, Millstone River, Barnegat Bay or Beaver Brook. Just like there are towns within counties within states, there are subwatersheds within watersheds within drainage basins. For example, the rain that falls on your driveway might flow into Lake Hopatcong, which flows into the Musconetcong River, which flows into the Delaware River. So your watershed address would be Lake Hopatcong, Musconetcong River, Delaware River even though your mail finds you through Jefferson Township, Morris County, New Jersey.
What's ground water?

A sizable amount of rainwater runoff seeps into the ground to become ground water. Ground water moves into water-filled layers of porous geological formations called aquifers. If the aquifer is close to the surface, its ground water can flow into nearby waterways or wetlands, providing a base flow. Depending on your location, aquifers containing ground water can range from a few feet below the surface to several hundred feet underground. Aquifer recharge areas are locations where rainwater and other precipitation seeps into the Earth's surface to enter an aquifer. Contrary to popular belief, aquifers are not flowing underground streams or lakes.

Ground water moves at an irregular pace, seeping from more porous soils, from shallow to deeper areas and from places where it enters the Earth's surface to where it is discharged or withdrawn. A system of more than 100 aquifers is scattered throughout New Jersey, covering 7,500 square miles.

Why is ground water important?
Ground water is the primary drinking water source for half of the state's population. Most of this water is obtained from individual domestic wells or public water supplies which tap into aquifers. New Jersey agriculture also depends on a steady supply of clean ground water for irrigation.
How does urbanization change a watershed?

Urbanization (or development) has a great effect on local water resources. It changes how water flows in the watershed and what flows in the water. Both surface and ground water flow are changed.

As a watershed becomes developed, trees, shrubs and other plants are replaced with impervious surfaces (roads, rooftops, parking lots and other hard surfaces that do not allow stormwater to soak into the ground). Without the plants to store and slow the flow of stormwater, the rate of stormwater runoff is increased. Less stormwater soaks into the ground because the sidewalks, roads, parking lots and rooftops block this infiltration. This means a greater volume of water reaches the waterway faster and less water infiltrates to ground water. This in turn leads to more flooding after storms and reduced flow in streams and rivers during dry periods. The reduced amount of infiltrating water can lower ground water levels, which in turn can stress local waterways that depend on steadier flows of water.

In the stream, more erosion of stream banks and scouring of channels will occur due to volume increase. This in turn degrades habitat for plant and animal life that depend on clean water. Sediment from eroded stream banks clogs the gills of fish and blocks light needed for plants. The sediment settles to fill in stream channels, lakes and reservoirs. This also increases flooding and the need for dredging to clear streams or lakes for boating.

In addition to the high flows caused by urbanization, the increased runoff also contains increased contaminants. These include litter, cigarette butts and other debris from sidewalks and streets, motor oil poured into storm sewers, heavy metals from brake linings, settled air pollutants from car exhaust and pesticides and fertilizers from lawn care. These contaminants reach local waterways quickly after a storm.
What's watershed management?

The watershed management approach seeks to effectively protect our water resources by taking into account the entire watershed. Successful watershed management requires the participation and involvement of the entire community within the watershed boundaries, including industry, government, business and citizens. Since everyone may contribute to watershed problems, all should be involved in identifying both the problems and the solutions.

One of the first steps in watershed management is problem identification. Does the local lake choke with weeds in the summer? Are failing septic systems closing shellfish beds? Is increased runoff causing stream banks to erode?

Once the problems and their causes have been identified, practical solutions must be chosen. The watershed community must identify traditional or innovative solutions that will work in their area. These solutions can range from changes to municipal stormwater ordinances to homeowner education about lawn care to stream bank restoration projects.

Identifying which solutions are right for a particular watershed is a crucial component of the watershed management process. Different solutions work in different communities. Developed with the watershed community of industry, government, business and citizens, watershed management planning reflects the concerns and priorities of that community.

Once solutions have been identified, they must be implemented to be successful. This can be the most difficult part of the process. How can implementation be ensured? Who will carry out the plan? Is the community committed to implementing the plan? Are there resources available to do it?

The advantage of watershed management planning is that it addresses all sources of pollution within the watershed and is developed by the community most affected by it. Nonpoint source pollution is particularly suited to this approach because it is frequently beyond the scope of traditional regulatory programs. The plan can incorporate solutions ranging from change in local land use to integrated pest management. Each plan will uniquely fit the problems and solutions of its watershed.
New Jersey's five watershed bureaus and 20 watershed management areas

Northwest Bureau  
(609) 633-3812
1. Upper Delaware River  
2. Walkill, Pochuck, Papakating  
11. Central Delaware Tributaries

Northeast Bureau  
(609) 633-1179
3. Pompton, Pequannock, Wanaque, Ramapo  
4. Lower Passaic, Saddle  
5. Hackensack, Pascack, Hudson  
6. Upper and Mid-Passaic, Whippany, Rockaway

Raritan Bureau  
(609) 633-7020
7. Elizabeth, Rahway, Woodbridge  
8. North and South Branch Raritan  
9. Lower Raritan, South River, Lawrence Brook  
10. Millstone River

Atlantic Coastal Bureau  
(609) 984-6888
12. Monmouth Watersheds  
13. Barnegat Bay Watersheds  
14. Mullica, Wading River  
15. Great Egg Harbor, Tuckahoe  
16. Cape May Watersheds

Lower Delaware Bureau  
(609) 633-1441
17. Maurice, Salem, Cohansey  
18. Lower Delaware Tributaries  
19. Rancocas Creek  
20. Crosswicks Creek
New Jersey's five watershed regions and major waterways

watershed regions
- Atlantic Coastal
- Lower Delaware
- Northeast
- Northwest
- Raritan
Watershed protection and nonpoint source pollution
what you can do today!

One way you can protect your watershed is to reduce nonpoint source pollution. Nonpoint source pollution or "people pollution" is contamination of our watersheds, ground water, waterways and ocean that results from everyday activities such as fertilizing the lawn, walking pets, changing motor oil and littering. With each rainfall, pollutants generated by these activities are washed from the entire watershed into local waterways. They can also soak into the ground contaminating the ground water below.

But there is good news - in our everyday activities we can stop nonpoint source pollution and keep our environment clean. Simple changes in your daily lifestyle can make a tremendous difference in the quality of New Jersey's water resources. Here are a few ways that you can reduce nonpoint source pollution:

**Place litter in trash receptacles.** Never throw litter, including cigarette butts and fast food containers, in streets or down storm drains. Recycle as much as possible.

**Avoid the overuse of fertilizers.** Do not apply them before a heavy rainfall. Do a soil test to see if fertilizers are necessary. Fertilizers contain nitrates and phosphates that, in abundance, cause blooms of algae that can lead to fish kills.

**Use alternative to pesticides whenever possible.** If you do use a pesticide, follow the label directions carefully. Many household products made to exterminate pests are also toxic to humans, animals, aquatic organisms and plants.

**Pick up after your pet.** Pet owners should use newspaper, bags or scoopers to pick up after their pets and dispose of wastes in the garbage or toilet, not the storm drain. Animal wastes contain bacteria and viruses that can contaminate shellfish and cause the closing of bathing beaches. Animal waste also contains nutrients that can cause algae blooms that are unsightly and can lead to fish kills.

**Do not feed ducks and geese.** Feeding ducks, geese and other waterfowl causes them to concentrate in small areas resulting in concentrated animal waste, causing the same problems as pet waste.

**Dispose of household hazardous waste properly.** Do not pour household hazardous products down any drain or toilet. Do not discard with the regular household trash. Use natural and less toxic alternatives whenever possible. Contact your County Solid Waste Management Office for information regarding household hazardous waste collection in your area. Many common household products (paint thinners, mothballs, drain and oven cleaners, to name a few) contain toxic ingredients. When improperly used or discarded, these products are a threat to public health and the environment.

**Recycle all used motor oil.** Do not dump used motor oil down storm drains or on the ground. Take it to a local public or private recycling center. Used motor oil contains toxic chemicals that are harmful to animals, humans and fish.

**Wash your car only when necessary.** Consider using a commercial car wash that recycles its wash water. Like fertilizers, many car detergents contain phosphate. If you wash your car at home, use a non-phosphate detergent.

**Treat your septic system with respect.** Avoid adding unnecessary grease, household hazardous products and solids to your septic system. Conserve water. Inspect your tank annually and pump it out every three to five years depending on its use. An improperly working septic system can contaminate ground water and create public health problems.

**Use marine sanitation devices and pump-out facilities at marinas when boating.** Observe the state's no discharge zones. Dumping boat sewage overboard introduces bacteria and viruses into the water.

For additional information please contact:
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CLEAN WATER RAINGERS

COLORING BOOK
Hey kids,

Are you interested in keeping New Jersey's water clean? Well, we need your help! Not long ago, my friends and I found that one of New Jersey's biggest water pollution problems comes from people — from how we live our daily lives. That means things like littering, not cleaning up after pets, using too many pesticides, and dumping motor oil down storm drains. With close to eight million people living in the state, what everybody does can really add up.

This coloring book tells the story of how we found the source of the problem, and it tells why we started the Clean Water Raider Team.

Your friend,

Claudius Crab
Clean Water Raider
Hi! I'm Howie Heron!

How many animals do you see in this picture?

Howie the Great Blue Heron lives near New Jersey's rivers, streams, lakes and bays. His friends Marshall Muskrat, Burt Bass and Francine Frog, live there too.
MY NAME IS DIESHA.

HI! I'M CLAUDIUS.

DIESHA DIAMONDBACK AND CLAUDIUS GRAB ENJOY A SUNNY DAY ON THE BAY.
Help me, Claudius!

Claudius swims over to help his friend Burt.
Where is this stuff coming from?

The River.

Let's go look!

Diesha and her friends want to find where the litter is coming from.
Water flows down stream from the _______ to the bay.

Follow me up the river.

Claudius, Burt and Diesha go up stream in search of the pollution source.
As Diesha, Burt and Claudius swim up stream, they meet up with their friends, Francine and Marshall. They also find a storm pipe. Marshall volunteers to go up the pipe.

I'll go look!

It looks like garbage is coming from the pipe.
As Howie flies above, Marshall goes through the stormpipe in search of the pollution source.
AS MARSHALL PEEKS OUT THE STORM DRAIN, HE SEES HIS FRIEND HOWIE. HE ALSO SEES WHERE THE LITTER IS COMING FROM.
As Howie flies back to his friends, he sees other sources of pollution.
Howie and Marshall tell their friends what they've found.
If we keep our water clean, we can all enjoy our rivers, lakes and bays more.

We need to let everyone know what they can do.

The friends form the Clean Water Raingers team to help keep their water clean. That's Raingers as in RAIN!
Draw yourself here, so you can be a part of the Clean Water Rangers Team.
TOP TEN THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP KEEP WATER CLEAN AS PART OF THE CWR TEAM

1. NEVER THROW ANYTHING DOWN STORM DRAINS. THEY ARE FOR RAINWATER ONLY.

2. DON'T LITTER. ALWAYS PUT TRASH WHERE IT BELONGS.

3. ALWAYS CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PETS. OBEY YOUR TOWN'S "POOPER SCOOPER" LAWS.

4. TELL OTHERS HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO KEEP OUR LAND AND WATER CLEAN.

5. PLANT A TREE. THEY TAKE POLLUTANTS OUT OF GROUND WATER, PROVIDE SHADE, AND CLEAN THE AIR.

6. FIND OUT WHAT WATERWAY YOU LIVE NEAR. WHERE DOES YOUR WATER COME FROM?

7. PRECYCLE! BUY PRODUCTS THAT USE THE LEAST AMOUNT OF PACKAGING.

8. RECYCLE. FIND OUT WHAT IS RECYCLABLE IN YOUR COMMUNITY. BUY PRODUCTS IN RECYCLED OR RECYCLABLE CONTAINERS.

9. CONSERVE WATER WHENEVER POSSIBLE. FOR EXAMPLE, TURN OFF THE WATER WHILE BRUSHING YOUR TEETH AND DON'T LINGER IN THE SHOWER.

10. LEARN ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. GET INVOLVED IN LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

JOIN THE TEAM!
This book belongs to...

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HUDSON COUNTY
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

SOLID AND FLOATABLE CONTROLS
STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM

Statewide Basic Requirement:
Street Sweeping – Highway Agencies shall sweep all rest areas, service areas, maintenance yards, and all county owned or operated curbed streets (including roads or highways) with storm drains that have a posted speed limit of 35 mph or less (excluding all entrance and exit ramps) in predominantly commercial areas at a minimum of once per month, weather and street surface conditions permitting.
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INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENTS

Secaucus
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North Bergen
Union City
Weekawken
West New York
INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON
AND THE
TOWN OF SECAUCUS, NEW JERSEY, REGARDING
MUNICIPAL REGULATION AND CONTROL OF
ACTIVITIES, UPON WITHIN OR APPURtenant
TO CERTAIN ROADS AND PARKLANDS
HERETOFORE REGULATED BY THE
COUNTY OF HUDSON

This AGREEMENT, is made this 27th day of Jan., 2004 between the County of Hudson (County) a body politic and corporate of the State of New Jersey with its administrative offices located at 567 Pavonia Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07036, and the Town of Secaucus, New Jersey with its municipal offices located at the Municipal Government Center, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094.

WHEREAS, by way of Ordinance No. 398-7-1986, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson acted to eliminate the Division of Police Services (commonly referred to as the Hudson County Police Department) from the County government structure; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to New Jersey Statutes at Title 39:4-197.2, municipalities which maintain a paid police force may, by ordinance, resolution or regulations, and with the consent of the governing body of the County, regulate traffic and parking along and upon any county road or part thereof lying within its corporate limits, in the same manner and to the same extent that it is authorized by law to regulate the same upon municipal roads and streets; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to New Jersey Statutes at Title 27:16-71, the governing body of municipalities may by resolution take over the control of a county road or portion thereof within the municipality with the consent of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, and such assumption of control may include regulation of traffic, parking, any what is commonly referred to as ‘street sweeping’; and

WHEREAS, for the purpose of this Interlocal Services Agreement the terms, “regulation” and/or “control” or their synonyms as may be used herein, shall not include the maintenance, improvements, or repair of the road, nor shall those terms include snow and ice removal therefrom and/or sanding or salting of the roads, all of which activities shall continue to be performed by the County unless expressly otherwise agreed to in writing between the County and the municipality either ante or post the date of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the “New Jersey Consolidated Municipal Service Act,” N.J.S.A 40:48B-1, as well as the “Interlocal Services Act”, N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1, the governing bodies of municipalities may join with a county and may agree to provide jointly, or through the agency of one of them on behalf of any of them, any services which any of the parties may legally perform for itself, and such services shall include but not be limited to the provisions of the police services; and
WHEREAS, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:48B-9, this agreement shall be terminated upon the adoption of a resolution to that effect by both governing bodies of the parties participating. Such termination shall not be made effective earlier than the end of the fiscal year next succeeding the fiscal year in which the last of the required number of local units adopts such resolutions; and

WHEREAS, on August 7, 1996, the County Board of Freeholders adopted Resolution No. 430-8-1996, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof which approved this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, on 1/27/04 the governing body of the Town of Secaucus adopted Resolution No. 2004-24 a copy of which is attached hereto and make a part hereof which approved this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS AGREED, by and between the COUNTY and the TOWN OF SECAUCUS:

1. The above recitals are incorporated herein, and made part of this Agreement as if fully set forth at length.

2. The Hudson County Sheriff shall continue to patrol appropriate county areas within the Town of Secaucus including Parkland in concurrence with the Town of Secaucus.
3. The party municipality shall provide police and other functions along County Roads and within County Parks as specifically stated as follows:
   
a. Secaucus shall provide police patrol services, and traffic regulations enforcement along those portions of County Roads lying within its boarders according to applicable New Jersey State Statutes and/or local Secaucus Ordinance. Secaucus shall continue to provide appropriate services along any county road pursuant to any agreement in existence, if any, at the inception of this Agreement.

b. Secaucus shall provide street sweeping services and enforcement along those portions of County Roads lying within its boarders at a frequency and schedule which is wholly within its sole discretion.

c. Secaucus shall provide police patrol services and traffic regulations and enforcement within the area known as Laurel Hill Park. It is understood that said area shall be concurrently patrolled by the Hudson County Sheriff on a mutually agreeable schedule to be reasonably structured between the Sheriff and the appropriate municipal officials (s).

d. Activity whether pedestrian or motor traffic within any County Park is to be governed by all applicable New Jersey Statutes and/or the provisions of Hudson County Ordinance No. 213-5-1982, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

e. The County shall continue to be solely responsible for “street sweeping” activity on roadways within County Parks.
f. The County's responsibility shall continue for traffic control device and sign maintenance installation, repair or replacement at its sole cost and discretion.

g. The County shall continue to be responsible for ice and snow removal, salting, sanding, road maintenance, park maintenance, road and park repair and improvement and park management.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed and sealed this Agreement.

ATTEST:

Jean A. Byrnes
Clerk
Board of Chosen Freeholders

COUNTY OF HUDSON

Thomas A. DeGise
Hudson County Executive

ATTEST:

Michael Mama

FOR TOWN OF SECAUCUS

Dennis K. Elwell, Mayor
BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
COUNTY OF HUDSON
COPY OF ORDINANCE
No. 213-5-1982
On motion of Freeholder Kaye
Seconded by Freeholder O'Malley

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE, CARE AND PROTECTION OF COUNTY PARKS


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parks without written permission of the COUNTY OF HUDSON.

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descend or alight within or upon the parks any aircraft, balloon,
parachute or other apparatus for aviation, except in an extreme
emergency or by express permission of the COUNTY OF HUDSON.

SECTION 20. No person shall make any fire within the
parks except at such places as may be designated by the COUNTY OF
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carts, nor shall any person throw, cast, catch, kick or strike any
baseball, football or basketball, or engage in any sport or other
activity except in places designated therefor; and no person shall
operate any radio controlled or gas operated model airplane, rocket
or other flying models however propelled.

SECTION 22. The County Executive, or his authorized
representative, following consultation with the Directors of the
Departments of Public Resources, Public Safety and Law, is hereby
authorized to close any section or part of any park or all or any
part of the roadways located within any County Park, and for such
time periods in his discretion, providing such closing shall be in
the best interests of the public using said parks and the security
of the Park System.

The following guidelines for the exercise of discretion
by the County Executive, or his authorized representative, shall
include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

a. At such times and for such periods as may be required
to enable runners and persons engaged in any other
type of athletic activity to more safely pursue such
activities.
b. At such times and for such periods as may be required to permit parades, carnivals, concerts and other public activities to take place within the confines of the park.

c. At such times and for such periods as may be required to preserve the health, safety and general welfare of persons using the park and the security of the Park System.

SECTION 23. All permits and special permission for exemptions from any rules and regulations as set forth herein, shall be issued by the County Executive on recommendation of the Director of the Department of Public Resources.

SECTION 24. A person seeking issuance of a permit shall file an application with the appropriate park's office. The application shall state:

a. Name and address of applicant.

b. Name and address of the person, persons, corporation or association sponsoring the activity.

c. The day and hours for which the permit is desired.

d. The park or a portion thereof for which such permit is sought.

e. Estimate of anticipated attendance.

f. Any other information necessary to determine whether or not a permit is to be issued.

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a. When the proposed activity or use of the park will not unreasonably interfere with or detract from the general
public enjoyment of the park.
b. When the proposed activity and use will not unreasonably interfere with or detract from the promotion of public health, welfare, safety and recreation.
c. When the proposed activity or use is not reasonably anticipated to incite violence, crime or disorderly conduct.
d. When the proposed activity will not entail unusual, extraordinary or burdensome expense or police operation by the County.
e. When the facilities desired have not been reserved for some other use at the day and hour requested in application.
f. When a Certificate of Insurance is submitted in form and amount acceptable to County.

SECTION 26. The permittee shall be bound by all park rules and regulations and all ordinances as though the same were fully set forth in the permit, and shall exhibit the same upon request of any authorized person.

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SECTION 28. The COUNTY OF HUDSON shall have the authority to revoke a permit upon a finding of violation of any rule or ordinance or upon good cause.

SECTION 29. No person in a park shall disturb or interfere unreasonably with any person or party occupying any area, or
participating in any activity under authority of a valid permit or any party simply making valid use of park facilities.

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SECTION 32. No person in a park shall enter or drive in an area posted as "closed to the public" nor shall any person use, or abet the use of any area in violation of posted notices.

SECTION 33. All provisions of the New Jersey State Motor Vehicle Act and Traffic Laws will apply in the parks and will be strictly enforced with such further restrictions as provided in this Ordinance.

SECTION 34. No person in a park shall drive any vehicle on any area except the paved park roads or parking areas where allowed, or such other areas as may on occasion be specifically designated as temporary parking areas by the Director.

SECTION 35. No person shall park a vehicle in any other than an established or designated parking area, and such use shall be in accordance with posted directions and with the instructions of any attendant who may be present.

SECTION 36. Except for, unusual and unforeseen emergencies, parks shall be open to the public every day of the year during designated hours. The opening and closing hours for each individual park shall be posted therein for public information. No person shall be in any County public park or playground before daybreak or after
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SECTION 40. No person in a park or in the immediate vicinity thereof about to enter a park shall fail to obey all authorized personnel, whether of the County or of a municipality in which the park is located, and instructed to direct traffic whenever and wherever needed in the parks and on the highways, streets or roads immediately adjacent thereto.

SECTION 41. All police and traffic officers of municipalities adjacent to any County park are hereby granted and shall have the power and authority to enforce all provisions of this Ordinance and all supplementary ordinances relating to County parks.

SECTION 42. Any person convicted of violating a provision of the Ordinance before a Court of competent jurisdiction, shall be liable either for imprisonment in the County jail for a term not
to exceed ninety (90) days, or a fine not to exceed Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars, or both. The Court before which any person is convicted of violating this Ordinance shall have the power to impose any fine or term of imprisonment, not to exceed the maximum fixed in this Ordinance.

SECTION 43. Should any provision or provisions of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court with proper jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

SECTION 44. All prior resolutions and ordinances of this Board, or of the former Hudson County Parks Commission, as they relate to County parks, are hereby repealed, except as specifically incorporated herein.

SECTION 45. This Ordinance shall be considered by this Board for final passage and adoption on May 13, 1982, at 1:30 p.m. at Freeholders' Assembly Room, 595 Newark Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

SECTION 46. The Clerk of this Board shall publish in The Dispatch and The Jersey Journal, two official newspapers qualified by law to publish legal notices, a notice that this Ordinance shall be considered for final passage, adoption and public hearing on May 13, 1982.

SECTION 47. The Clerk of this Board shall, at least one week prior to the date set for final hearing, send by regular mail to the Clerk of each municipality in the County a copy of this Ordinance.
SECTION 48. The Clerk of this Board shall post a copy of this Ordinance, at least one week prior to May 13, 1982, on the Freeholders' bulletin board, and three copies of same shall be on file with the Clerk of this Board and shall be made available to members of the general public who shall request such copies.

SECTION 49. This Ordinance may be subject to amendment through subsequent provisions recommended by the Director of the Department of Public Resources and approved by the Board of Freeholders in accordance with amendment process of N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101(6).

SECTION 50. Upon passage of this Ordinance, the Clerk of the Board of Freeholders, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-142, as amended, is authorized and directed to comply with N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101(b) (4), as amended, to publish in The Dispatch and The Jersey Journal, a notice concerning the approval and date of passage of this Ordinance.

SECTION 51. This Ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

I, FRANK E. RODGERS, Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson in the State of New Jersey, DO HEREBY CERTIFY the attached Ordinance to be a true copy of an Ordinance finally adopted at a meeting of said Board held on May 13, 1982.
RESOLUTION

No. 430-8-1996

AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH
HUDSON COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES REGARDING LOCAL REGULATION
OF COUNTY ROADS AND PARKLANDS

WHEREAS, by way of Ordinance No. 398-7-1996 this Board acted to recognize the
Hudson County Administrative Code in several areas, including the elimination of the
Hudson County Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the functions heretofore performed by County Police, will be discharged
by the various municipal police departments as of October 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, in addition to police functions along county roads and within county
parks, the various municipalities shall undertake activities including the provision of crossing
guards, street sweeping, parking meter collection, repair & maintenance, traffic control,
motor vehicle weight control; and enforcement of General Motor Vehicle & Traffic Laws
of the State of New Jersey and of local ordinances including the prosecution of same within
the various municipal courts; and

WHEREAS, in order to have an effective transition of services and to establish a
clear understanding of the roles of the County and the municipalities, a document in draft
form entitled "The 1996 Omnibus Interlocal Service Agreement" has been prepared and a
copy of same is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, in essence, the County shall retain title to the various county roads and
parklands and continue to be responsible and liable for their care, maintenance, repair,
replacement and improvement, while the various municipalities shall exercise control and
authority will be vested in the annexed agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the
County of Hudson, that:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully
   set forth at length.

2. The Board hereby authorizes the County Executive, or his
   lawfully appointed designee, to execute any and all documents
   and take any and all actions necessary to complete and realize
   the intent and purpose of this Resolution.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

FRANCIS D. LEONARDIS
HUDSON COUNTY COUNSEL

SIGNED:

Source: Mark E. Norstad
Deputy County Counsel
MEN/AM

It is hereby certified that at a regular meeting of the Board of Freeholders of the
County of Hudson held on the 8th day of August, A.D. 1996, the foregoing
resolution was adopted with 7 members voting in the affirmative and 0 in the
negative.

[Signature]
INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON
AND THE
TOWN OF HARRISON, NEW JERSEY, REGARDING
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TO CERTAIN ROADS AND PARKLANDS
HERETOFORE REGULATED BY THE
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This AGREEMENT is made this 7th day of November, 1996, between
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with its administrative offices located at 567 Pavonia Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07306,
and the Town of Harrison, New Jersey with its municipal offices located at 318 Harrison
Avenue, Harrison, New Jersey 07029-1796.

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WHEREAS, on August 7, 1996, the County Board of Freeholders adopted Resolution No. 430-8-1996, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof which approved this Agreement; and

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NOW, THEREFORE IT IS AGREED by and between the COUNTY and the TOWN OF HARRISON identified hereinbelow as follows:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed and sealed this Agreement.

ATTEST:  COUNTY OF HUDSON

Jean A. Byrnes, Clerk  Robert C. Janiszewski
Board of Chosen Freeholders  Hudson County Executive

ATTEST:  HARRISON

Josephine M. Catanzaro  Raymond J. McDonough, Mayor
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The following guidelines for the exercise of discretion by the County Executive, or his authorized representative, shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

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10:00 P.M., except as provided by the Director. This restriction shall not affect the right of the public to use the pathways and roadways in and through public parks, playgrounds or other public grounds for the purpose of travel.

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SECTION 43. Should any provision or provisions of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court with proper jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

SECTION 44. All prior resolutions and ordinances of this Board, or of the former Hudson County Parks Commission, as they relate to County parks, are hereby repealed, except as specifically incorporated herein.

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SECTION 49. This Ordinance may be subject to amendment through subsequent provisions recommended by the Director of the Department of Public Resources and approved by the Board of Freeholders in accordance with amendment process of N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101(5).

SECTION 50. Upon passage of this Ordinance, the Clerk of the Board of Freeholders, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-142, as amended, is authorized and directed to comply with N.J.S.A. 40:41A-01(b) (4), as amended, to publish in The Dispatch and The Jersey Journal, a notice concerning the approval and date of passage of his Ordinance.

SECTION 51. This Ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

I, FRANK E. RODGERS, Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson in the State of New Jersey, DO HEREBY CERTIFY the attached Ordinance to be a true copy of an Ordinance finally adopted at a meeting of said Board held on May 13, 1982.

[Signature]
RESOLUTION

No. 430-8-1996

On Motion of Freeholder Ascolese
Seconded by Freeholder Hernandez

AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH
HUDSON COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES REGARDING
LOCAL REGULATION
OF
COUNTY ROADS AND PARKLANDS

WHEREAS, by way of Ordinance No. 398-7-1996 this Board acted to recognize the
Hudson County Administrative Code in several areas, including the elimination of the
Hudson County Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the functions heretofore performed by County Police, will be discharged
by the various municipal police departments as of October 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, in addition to police functions along county roads and within county
parks, the various municipalities shall undertake activities including the provision of crossing
guards, street sweeping, parking meter collection, repair & maintenance, traffic control,
motor vehicle weight control; and enforcement of General Motor Vehicle & Traffic Laws
of the State of New Jersey and of local ordinances including the prosecution of same within
the various municipal courts; and

WHEREAS, in order to have an effective transition of services and to establish a
clear understanding of the roles of the County and the municipalities, a document in draft
form entitled "The 1996 Omnibus Interlocal Service Agreement" has been prepared and a
copy of same is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, in essence, the County shall retain title to the various county roads and
parklands and continue to be responsible and liable for their care, maintenance, repair,
replacement and improvement, while the various municipalities shall exercise control and
authority will be recited in the annexed agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the
County of Hudson, that:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully
   set forth at length.

2. The Board hereby authorizes the County Executive, or his
   lawfully appointed designee, to execute any and all documents
   and take any and all actions necessary to complete and realize
   the intent and purpose of this Resolution.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

BY:
FRANCIS Q. LEDNARIS
HUDSON COUNTY COUNSEL

Source:
Mark E. Marshel
Deputy County Counsel
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It is hereby certified that at a regular meeting of the Board of Freeholders of the
County of Hudson held on the 14th day of August, A.D. 1996, the foregoing
resolution was adopted with 7 members voting in the affirmative and 0 in the
negative.

[Signature]
INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON
AND THE
CITY OF BAYONNE, NEW JERSEY, REGARDING
MUNICIPAL REGULATION AND CONTROL OF
ACTIVITIES, UPON, WITHIN OR APPURTENNANT
TO CERTAIN ROADS AND PARKLANDS
HERETOFORE REGULATED BY THE
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This AGREEMENT is made this _______ day of ____________, 199/, between
the County of Hudson (County), a body politic and corporate of the State of New Jersey
with its administrative offices located at 567 Pavonia Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07306,
and the City of Bayonne, New Jersey with its municipal offices located at 630 Avenue C,
Bayonne, New Jersey 07002

WHEREAS, by way of Ordinance No. 398-7-1996, the Board of Chosen Freeholders
of the County of Hudson acted to eliminate the Division of Police Services (commonly
referred to as the Hudson County Police Department) from the County government
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WHEREAS, pursuant to New Jersey Statutes at Title 27:16-71, the governing body of municipality may by resolution take over the control of a county road or portion thereof within the municipality with the consent of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, and such assumption of control may include regulation of traffic, parking, and what is commonly referred to as "street sweeping"; and

WHEREAS, for the purpose of this Interlocal Service Agreement the terms, "regulation" and/or "control" or their synonyms as may be used herein, shall not include the maintenance, improvement, or repair of the road, nor shall those terms include snow and ice removal therefrom and/or sanding or salting of the roads, all of which activities shall continue to be performed by the County unless expressly otherwise agreed to in writing between the County and the municipality either ante or post the date of this agreement; and
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WHEREAS, under the provision of N.J.S.A. 40:48B-9, this agreement shall be terminated upon the adoption of a resolution to that effect by both governing bodies of the parties participating. Such termination shall not be made effective earlier than the end of the fiscal year next succeeding the fiscal year in which the last of the required number of local units adopts such resolution unless otherwise mutually agreed; and

WHEREAS, on August 7, 1996, the County Board of Freeholders adopted Resolution No. 430-8-1996, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof which approved this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, on 12/16/98 the governing body of the City of Bayonne adopted Resolution No. 98-12-16-059 a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof which approved this Agreement.
NOW, THEREFORE IT IS AGREED by and between the COUNTY and the CITY OF BAYONNE identified hereinbelow as follows:

1. The above recitals are incorporated herein, and made part of this Agreement as if fully set forth at length.

2. The County on or before October 1, 1996 shall cease to operate a Department of Police, and shall therefore cease to provide police type services of whatever nature along County Roads and within County Parks.

3. The City of Bayonne on or before October 1, 1996 shall provide police and other functions along County Roads and within County Parks as specifically stated as follows:

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c. Bayonne or its lawful designee, shall take over custody, care, control, regulation and collection of revenue of all existing parking meters within its boarders, theretofore maintained by the County which shall simultaneously relinquish any ownership and/or control over such parking meters.

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h. The County shall continue to be responsible for ice and snow removal, salting, sanding, road maintenance, park maintenance, road and park repair and improvement, and park management.

4. This Agreement shall ratify all prior enforcement and revenue collecting activity undertaken by the City of Bayonne since the elimination of the County Police Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed and sealed this Agreement.

ATTEST: COUNTY OF HUDSON

Jean A. Byrnes, Clerk Robert C. Janiszewski
Board of Chosen Freeholders Hudson County Executive

ATTEST: FOR CITY OF BAYONNE

Joseph Doria, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: Cheryl Scott Cashman
Assistant City Attorney
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE, CARE AND PROTECTION OF COUNTY PARKS


BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, a body corporate of the State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Whenever the term PARKS is used in this Ordinance, it shall be taken to include each and every park under the jurisdiction of the COUNTY OF HUDSON.

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b. Have possession of any firecracker, explosive or firework.

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d. Post or display any sign, placard or advertising device.

e. Solicit any subscription or contribution.

f. Play, engage or take part in any game or competitive sport for money or other valuable thing.

g. Play any game of chance.
h. Have possession of any instrument or device for gambling.

i. Bring or have in his possession any air gun, spring gun, sling shot or other instrument or weapon in which the propelling force is a spring or air.

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provided therefor and only at such times and under such regulat:
as the COUNTY OF HUDSON may prescribe, shall bathe, skate or fi:
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substance into the water.

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be left on the ground and shall immediately remove the same and
dispose of it in a sanitary manner.

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fountains within the area of the parks for dogs or other animals.
The purpose of said drinking fountains is for human consumption or

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permission of the COUNTY OF HUDSON: and no person shall drip, place
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b. Create or cause to be created any disturbance or annoyance to the comfort and repose of any person.

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Lincoln Park, Jersey City, N.J., Softball and Baseball Fields and Tennis Courts.

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park shall be posted therein for public information. No person sh
be in any County public park or playground before daybreak or afte:
10:00 P.M., except as provided by the Director. This restriction shall not affect the right of the public to use the pathways and roadways in and through public parks, playgrounds or other public grounds for the purpose of travel.

SECTION 37. No person in a vehicle shall stop, stand or park in any County park after 10:00 P.M., except when authorized by the Director.

SECTION 38. No person shall operate a commercial vehicle through a park except on such roads or highways designated by the Director. This provision does not apply to County vehicles operated by County employees.

SECTION 39. No person shall ride a bicycle on other than a paved vehicle road or path designated for that purpose. A bicycle is permitted to wheel or push a bicycle by hand over any grassy area or wooded trail or on any paved area reserved for pedestrian use.

SECTION 40. No person in a park or in the immediate vicinit thereof about to enter a park shall fail to obey all authorized personnel, whether of the County or of a municipality in which the park is located, and instructed to direct traffic whenever and wherever needed in the parks and on the highways, streets or roads immediately adjacent thereto.

SECTION 41. All police and traffic officers of municipalities adjacent to any County park are hereby granted and shall have the power and authority to enforce all provisions of this Ordinance and all supplementary ordinances relating to County parks.

SECTION 42. Any person convicted of violating a provision of the Ordinance before a Court of competent jurisdiction shall be
to exceed ninety (90) days, or a fine not to exceed Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars, or both. The Court before which any person convicted of violating this Ordinance shall have the power to impose any fine or term of imprisonment, not to exceed the maximum fixed in this Ordinance.

SECTION 43. Should any provision or provisions of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court with proper jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

SECTION 44. All prior resolutions and ordinances of this Board, or of the former Hudson County Parks Commission, as they relate to County parks, are hereby repealed, except as specifically incorporated herein.

SECTION 45. This Ordinance shall be considered by this Board for final passage and adoption on May 13, 1982, at 1:30 at Freeholders' Assembly Room, 595 Newark Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

SECTION 46. The Clerk of this Board shall publish in The Dispatch and The Jersey Journal, two official newspapers qualified by law to publish legal notices, a notice that this Ordinance shall be considered for final passage, adoption and public hearing on May 13, 1982. The Clerk of this Board shall publish the aforesaid notice at least one week prior to May 13, 1982.

SECTION 47. The Clerk of this Board shall, at least one week prior to the date set for final hearing, send by regular mail to the Clerk of each municipality in the County a copy of this Ordinance.
SECTION 48. The Clerk of this Board shall post a copy of this Ordinance, at least one week prior to May 13, 1982, on the Freeholders' bulletin board, and three copies of same shall be on file with the Clerk of this Board and shall be made available to members of the general public who shall request such copies.

SECTION 49. This Ordinance may be subject to amendment through subsequent provisions recommended by the Director of the Department of Public Resources and approved by the Board of Freeholders in accordance with amendment process of N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101(6).

SECTION 50. Upon passage of this Ordinance, the Clerk of the Board of Freeholders, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-142, as amended, is authorized and directed to comply with N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101(b) (4), as amended, to publish in The Dispatch and The Jersey Journal, a notice concerning the approval and date of passage of this Ordinance.

SECTION 51. This Ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

I, FRANK E. RODGERS, Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson in the State of New Jersey, DO HEREBY CERTIFY the attached Ordinance to be a true copy of an Ordinance finally adopted at a meeting of said Board held on May 13, 1982.
COUNTY OF HUDSON

RESOLUTION

No. 430-8-1996

On Motion of Freeholder Ascolese
Seconded by Freeholder Hernandez

AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH HUDSON COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES REGARDING LOCAL REGULATION OF COUNTY ROADS AND PARKLANDS

WHEREAS, by way of Ordinance No. 398-7-1996 this Board acted to recognize the Hudson County Administrative Code in several areas, including the elimination of the Hudson County Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the functions heretofore performed by County Police, will be discharged by the various municipal police departments as of October 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, in addition to police functions along county roads and within county parks, the various municipalities shall undertake activities including the provision of crossing guards, street sweeping, parking meter collection, repair & maintenance, traffic control, motor vehicle weight control; and enforcement of General Motor Vehicle & Traffic Laws of the State of New Jersey and of local ordinances including the prosecution of same within the various municipal courts; and

WHEREAS, in order to have an effective transition of services and to establish a clear understanding of the roles of the County and the municipalities, a document in draft form entitled "The 1996 Omnibus Interlocal Service Agreement" has been prepared and a copy of same is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, in essence, the County shall retain title to the various county roads and parklands and continue to be responsible and liable for their care, maintenance, replacement and improvement, while the various municipalities shall exercise control and authority will be recited in the annexed agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hudson, that:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

2. The Board hereby authorizes the County Executive, or his lawfully appointed designee, to execute any and all documents and take any and all actions necessary to complete and realize the intent and purpose of this Resolution.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

BY:
FRANCIS D. LEONARDO
HUDSON COUNTY COUNSEL

Source:
Mark E. Marchel
Deputy County Counsel

It is hereby certified that at a regular meeting of the Board of Freeholders of the County of Hudson held on the 8th day of August, A.D. 1996, the foregoing resolution was adopted with 7 members voting in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[Signature]
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAYONNE

RESOLUTION NO. 98-11-25-064

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the County of Hudson for law enforcement on County Roads and County Parks.

JFC/emg

A TRUE COPY

CITY CLERK
RESOLVED, that the final form of the Interlocal Agreement between the
County of Hudson and the City of Bayonne for law enforcement on County Roads and
County Parks is hereby ratified and affirmed.

JFC/emg