

Join Waite Park's Brand New Program!

Questions?

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Adopt a Storm Drain!

Keep your neighborhood clean and
protect local waterways.



Sweep up! Rake up! Pick up!

Sign up to
adopt a drain



Keep your
drain clear



Track your
impact



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A STORM
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**Address: 19 13th Ave N,
Waite Park, MN 56387**

**City of Waite
Park
Water Education
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Think Before you Salt!

THE PROBLEM WITH OVER SALTING

Salt is toxic to Minnesota's aquatic life. As snow and ice melt off hard surfaces, it runs into storm drains that flow into lakes, streams, and wetlands - taking the salt with it.

Excessive salt impacts everything from the health of our soils, plants, fish, insects, pets, and wildlife to accelerating infrastructure deterioration.

Over salting sidewalks and parking lots does not mean more melting, it just damages property and pollutes our water supply.

THE BEST WAY TO MANAGE SLIPPERY PAVEMENT



SHOVEL EARLY & OFTEN

Promptly remove snow and ice. Invest in 7 to 10-inch ice scraper.



SCATTER SALT

Salt should be spaced 2-3 inches apart.



SELECT THE RIGHT TOOL

Salt only works when the pavement is above 15° F. In colder weather use liquid deicer.



SWEEP UP & REUSE

Sweep up and reuse excess salt after the snow melts.



Pick up your Pet's Waste!

Picking up after your pet benefits lakes and rivers. Pet waste can contain harmful bacteria and phosphorus, which causes access algae and weed growth in our nearby water ways.

Take the Pledge to Keep our Water Drinkable, Fishable, and Swimmable

Visit h2youmn.com

to take the pledge and learn more on what you can do to keep our local water ways clean

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

- In Minnesota, our storm sewer systems carry water directly to our lakes, rivers, and wetlands
- To maintain clean water and prevent pollution from entering our water bodies, only stormwater should enter a storm sewer system
- If anything else, such as oil, chemicals, or sediment, enters the system it is usually an illicit discharge



PROPERLY DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AT YOUR LOCAL DROP OFF SITE

Please Report all Illicit Discharges to 320-252-6822

