How to Stay Green
When the Leaves Change Color
Autumn lawn care tips for keeping our waterways healthy.

Don’t over-fertilize your lawn.
Excess nutrients from fertilizer are a major source of water pollution when they are carried by rain runoff into stormdrains and local waterways. Apply fertilizer based on a soil test.

Don’t rake leaves down storm drains or into streams.
When leaves are washed into streams they decompose there and degrade water quality. Compost them or bag for proper disposal.

When you mow your lawn, don’t dispose of grass clippings down a storm drain. Like decomposing leaves, grass clippings degrade water quality. Leave them on your lawn.

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