## Don't Leaf Dunstable's Water to Chance This Fall!

Fall leaves and yard waste can cause pollution and flooding when dumped or stored near wetlands, waterways or storm drains.

Did you know, fallen leaves are loaded with natural fertilizer, which can cause water pollution that harms people and animals?

Dumped leaves can also block storm drains and water- ways, causing flooding.



## Keep Dunstable's waterways clean and healthy this fall with a few simple steps.

- Never dump leaves in wetlands or waterways
- Bag leaves in paper bags for disposal by the town (details on back) or better yet, use leaves as mulch in gardens.
- Or compost your yard waste at home in an area away from wetlands and storm drains
- · Keep paved areas and storm drains clear of leaves
- Make sure your lawn service is properly disposing of all your waste



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## More tips at www.http://www.nmstormwater.org

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