

Community Partners for Clean Streams Monthly eMonitor



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Up Front

Welcome to the Monthly eMonitor

Welcome to the Community Partners for Clean Streams (CPCS) Monthly eMonitor. The eMonitor is designed to keep Partners updated on CPCS and stormwater management issues, provide helpful information to reduce stormwater and nonpoint source pollution, recognize new Partners, highlight upcoming events, and allow increased networking opportunities. We hope you enjoy each edition of the Monthly eMonitor and welcome any comments, concerns, or suggestions.

Web Page of the Month

Where are all the cool parking lots?

Center for Urban Forest Research

http://cufr.ucdavis.edu/products/3/cufr_151.pdf

Check out this website for ideas on tree planting in parking areas. Shade produced by tree planting in parking lots not only provides relief to people but can have a lessening effect on the temperature of storm water as it passes over pavement. For a list of tree planting specimens that thrive in Michigan, call us at (734) 222 – 6833.

CPCS News

CPCS Stickers Available



CPCS has available for Partners sites at no cost, CPCS program stickers. These stickers are for placement in glass doors, glass windows, windows of vehicles, and any other location you feel is appropriate. If you are interested in receiving these stickers please call or email us with information regarding how many you need. Look for the stickers on AATA buses!



CPCS Participant List

For a listing of current **81** Community Partners, see our webpage at

http://www.ewashtenaw.org/government/drain_commissioner/dc_enviro.html/dc_cpcs.html

New and Renewed Partners

CPCS recognizes the following **renewed** Partnerships:

- Ann Arbor Public Schools
- Arrowwood Hills Housing Cooperative
- Thompson-Shore

In addition, thirteen prospective Partners are currently in the works.



Stormwater Pollution Prevention Tip of the Month

Pavement Maintenance

Did you know that vehicle fuels can cause paved areas to deteriorate? For this reason, care should be taken to prevent leaks in equipments and vehicles and to clean-up leaks and spills when they occur. Not only will this practice extend the life of your asphalt but this practice will also protect local water quality.

Sweep or use dry cleaning methods on pavements whenever possible. If it is necessary to wash a paved area with water, before cleaning remove as much debris as possible.

If you plan on using concrete or other cement-related mortars, do not wash fresh concrete onto a surface that drains to a storm drain or stream. Instead, let concrete harden and dispose of it with construction debris. When washing concrete equipment, hold wash water until cement settles out and hardens.

Fresh cement can be detrimental to aquatic systems because it can cover fish spawning areas and it can be ingested by aquatic life. In addition to these negative environmental impacts, you may be assessed for cleaning and reopening drains clogged by concrete.



[CPCS Events](#)

- **Huron River Days** – July 11th Gallup Park

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