# PROTECTING
## LAKES, RIVERS & STREAMS

Proper disposal of yard waste impacts the health of local waterways. You can make a significant impact by taking these steps.

• Don't blow or rake grass clipping and leaves into the street or waterways. Leave them on your lawn, compost them or bag them up.

• Pick up pet waste and put it in the garbage. Don't put pet waste in your compost.

• Use phosphorus-free fertilizer to help prevent rapid algae growth in our rivers and lakes. Sweep up fertilizer spills from hard surfaces.

• Direct gutter downspouts into your lawns, gardens or rain barrels.

• Keep a healthy and low maintenance lawn. Mow at a higher setting or plant no-mow grass.

• Plant native flowers and plants and consider installing a raingarden.

# ASH TREE WASTE
## TRANSPORT & DISPOSAL

The emerald ash borer is a destructive tree pest that attacks and kills ash trees. To prevent the spread of the emerald ash borer, a quarantine is in place for select counties in Minnesota. Waste from ash trees cannot be hauled out of the contiguous quarantine areas. Some waste haulers and sites cannot accept ash tree waste.

Ash tree waste should be taken to the closest disposal site within the quarantine area to minimize the spread of emerald ash borer. For more information visit: mda.state.mn.us/eab

# ON-SITE
## MANAGEMENT

Leaving grass clippings on your lawn adds valuable nutrients and can reduce the need for fertilizers.

Use a compost bin for your yard waste. For more information about backyard composting, visit: recyclecarver.org and search "backyard composting."

# MANAGING
# YARD WASTE
## IN CARVER COUNTY

RecycleCarver.org | 952-361-1800

Yard waste–such as grass clippings, leaves and branches–is a valuable resource that can add nutrients into your yard or be recycled into compost.

It is illegal to put this kind of waste in your household garbage.

# PRIVATE HAULER
## CURBSIDE SERVICE

Contact your refuse hauler to see if they provide curbside recycling service for yard waste.

For a list of licensed refuse haulers operating in Carver County, visit: recyclecarver.org and search "residential collection."

# COMPOSTABLE BAG LAW
## DID YOU KNOW?

Per State law, residents in the Twin Cities area who bag their yard and organic waste are required to put their waste out for pickup in compostable bags–either paper bags or compostable plastic bags.

Plastic bags can be used when delivering yard and organic waste to a drop-off site, however, material must be de-bagged. Plastic bags should be reused or disposed of through residential garbage service.

# YARD WASTE
## COMPOST SITES

The following privately owned compost sites are open to residents and businesses. Please call to inquire about disposal fees, hours of operation, and delivery instructions.

**CreekSide Soils**
1500 Adams St SE
Hutchinson, MN 55350
320-587-6762

**Eklund Yard & Tree Disposal**
4220 Co Rd 10 N
Watertown, MN 55388
612-723-9500

**SMSC Organics Recycling Facility**
1905 Mystic Lake Drive South
Shakopee, MN 55379
952-233-9191

**The Mulch Store Minnetrista (SET)**
4275 Creek View Circle
Minnetrista, MN 55364
952-446-1056

# MUNICIPAL YARD WASTE
## DROP-OFF SITES & EVENTS

The following cities provide yard waste disposal to their residents. Please contact your city to inquire about location, hours of operation, and delivery instructions. Please note: **Because city resources are used to operate the following sites, residents MUST live within city limits of the collection city to utilize the site.**

**City of Chanhassen**
7901 Park Place, Chanhassen (Public Works Building)
952-227-1100
Type: Seasonal Events

**City of Chaska**
725 1st St W, Chaska (Athletic Park)
952-448-9200
Type: Seasonal Events

**City of Cologne**
304 Louis St W, Cologne
952-466-2064
Type: Year Round Drop-off Site

**City of Hamburg**
15405 Vera Ave, Hamburg
952-467-3232
Type: Seasonal Drop-off Site

**Cities of Mayer and New Germany**
15300 Co Rd 30, Mayer
952-657-1502 (Mayer), 952-353-1781 (New Germany)
Type: Year Round Compost Site

**City of Norwood Young America**
640 Tacoma Ave, NYA
952-467-1800
Type: Year Round Compost Site

**City of Victoria**
1416 Stieger Lake Ln (enter from Hwy 5)
952-443-4210
Type: Seasonal Drop-off Site

**City of Waconia**
310 10th St E, Waconia
952-442-2184
Type: Seasonal Drop-off Site

**City of Watertown**
700 Lewis Ave N, Watertown
952-955-2681
Type: Year Round Compost Site