

## Did you know?

### Someone else uses your water – before and after you!

It's hosed, flushed, boated on, fished, bathed in, drunk, and more. In fact, water is used and cleaned many times over as it makes its way through our state. While the water is treated before it gets to your house, your role in protecting water quality is critical. Three common sources of contaminants threaten our water everyday:



#### Pet Waste

Pet waste can contain bacteria that are carried in rainwater and snowmelt – ending up untreated in Colorado's lakes, rivers, streams and wetlands.

#### You Can Help

Next time you walk your dog:

- ✓ Use a plastic bag or pooper-scooper
- ✓ Wrap pet waste securely and put it in the trash



#### Lawn & Garden

When it rains, fertilizer runs off your lawn into storm drains and streams, which can be harmful to humans and animals.

#### You Can Help

In caring for your lawn:

- ✓ Use fertilizers sparingly
- ✓ Don't fertilize before a rain
- ✓ Consider using natural fertilizers such as compost or Bonemeal
- ✓ Select pest-resistant plants or try companion planting to reduce the need for garden chemicals



#### Vehicle Maintenance

Motor oil, petroleum, antifreeze, transmission fluid, engine cleaner and battery acid can be a disaster in our water.

#### You Can Help

Next time you work on your vehicle:

- ✓ If a spill occurs use cat litter or sawdust to soak up fluid then put it in the trash
- ✓ Pour soapy water down the sink, not on the street
- ✓ Recycle vehicle maintenance products



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Please contact the City of Lone Tree Stormwater Department at (303) 662-8112, or visit the City Web Site at [www.cityoflonetree.com](http://www.cityoflonetree.com) for additional information on water quality in our community.