

Presenters:

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Program Materials:

Soak Up The Rain-New Hampshire

Winnepesaukee Gateway

Lake Winnepesaukee Association

Web Soil Survey

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tion Service

NH Department of Environmental
Services

Belknap County Conservation District
2 Airport Road, Unit 1
Gilford, NH 03249

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Laconia NH 03246

You're Invited
Free Program



**Do-It-Yourself Landscaping
To Promote Healthy Water**

March 9, 2015
(Monday)

6:30—8 PM

Laconia Middle School
Cafeteria

RSVP suggested. Open Flyer.

Speakers:
**Laconia Conservation
Commission Members**



What is Stormwater?

Stormwater runoff is water from rain or melting snow that doesn't soak into the ground.

In a forest, meadow, or other natural area, stormwater soaks into the ground and naturally filters through the soil.

When forests and meadows are developed, they are replaced with neighborhoods, shopping centers, and other areas that introduce impervious surfaces such as roofs, roads, parking lots, and driveways. Impervious surfaces prevent rain or melting snow from soaking into the ground. This creates excess stormwater runoff and stormwater pollution.

Why is Stormwater a Problem?

Excess stormwater runoff and the pollutants that it carries can cause many different problems including flooding, erosion, and water pollution. This can make the water unhealthy for fish and other animals to live in and unsafe for us to swim and play in.



Stormwater and Your Home: Where does it come from ?

Extra water that would naturally soak into the ground comes from:

- ◆ Roofs
- ◆ Driveway and Walkways
- ◆ Decks and Patios
- ◆ Other hard surfaces

Stormwater carries pollutants that can harm our lakes, streams, and other waters.

These pollutants can come from:

- ◆ Eroding soils
- ◆ Fertilizers and lawn chemicals
- ◆ Pet waste
- ◆ Yard waste
- ◆ Trash and debris

Did You Know?

In many cities stormwater runoff and other waste/trash entering storm drains goes directly into our streams, ponds and lakes. It is not treated at the waste water treatment plant. This is true in Laconia too.

What can you do to help reduce stormwater pollution?

Attend the

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Program will consist of:

- ◆ Speakers
- ◆ PowerPoint Presentation
- ◆ Demonstration of On-line Tools
"What's Your P?"
Web Soil Survey
- ◆ Question & Answer Period
- ◆ Fact sheets & publications to take home

Please RSVP!

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