## MANAGING SPRING STORMWATER Tips for reducing stormwater pollution on your property this spring:

- Plant native trees, shrubs and perennials! Native plants have deep root systems which help them to absorb more rain water than non-natives.
   They also require less maintenance than non-native plants.
- 2) Install a rain barrel. Rain barrels capture water from your roof before it can become polluted storm water runoff. It is also a great source of free water that can be used to water plants or top off a swimming pool.
- 3) Reduce chemical use and never use before it rains. Fertilizers and weed killers can be washed off your property and into nearby waterways when it rains.
- 4) Consider alternatives to traditional pavement. There are many convenient pervious pavement options that reduce stormwater runoff.

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