



Keep Our Waters Phosphorus Free

**Nice
Save!**
USE WATER WISELY

A pound of phosphorus can generate 100 pounds of algae in Minnesota lakes. Limiting phosphorus leaking into our surface waters limits algae growth in lakes. That's a nice save for Minnesota's water future. For more easy tips to save water in Minnesota, visit: www.mrwa.com.

◆ Phosphorus is the primary nutrient polluting Minnesota surface waters.

◆ Purchase lawn fertilizers and laundry detergents that are free of phosphorus.

◆ On-site septic systems are also a source of phosphorus pollution; use only low phosphorus or phosphorus-free detergents and soaps in the home.

◆ Ask your local carwash to use only low or phosphorus free detergents.

◆ Keep your food garbage out of the water. Food waste is high in phosphorus content, especially potato peels and meat.

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