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### ***YARD WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL***

The City of Rockford would like to remind residents not to dispose of yard waste in streets, detention basins, rivers, creeks, drainageways or ditches. Not only is this a violation of City codes but it causes downstream pollution.

It is also illegal to burn or blow yard waste, including lawn clippings, into the street. Never allow yard waste to be washed down or put into storm inlets as this can clog them and the storm system causing nuisance flooding.

As part of their garbage collection services residents can dispose of yard waste on their regular garbage pick-up day provided they are properly containerized and placed at the curb. Proper containers are 30-40 gallon biodegradable 2-ply paper bag or a standard garbage can with a bold "X" on the side of the can facing the street. Yard waste cannot be mixed with regular garbage.

If you have any further questions regarding proper disposal of yard waste please contact the City of Rockford Community Development Department at 815-987-5566 or Brad Holcomb at the City of Rockford Public Works Department at 815-967-7061.

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