

# A word from the curb and gutter watch dogs.

Street storm drains flow to our creeks and streams, the St. Louis River and finally Lake Superior - the source of our drinking water. The water that enters storm drains is not treated.

**Dumping debris in the street is damaging to our streams and is illegal.**

Duluth City Code Chapter 24-5 says: "No person shall dump, throw or any manner deposit or

cause to be dumped, thrown, or deposited upon or in any street, highway, alley waterway or public or private premises, except as provided in this chapter, any solid waste, manure, household hazardous waste, tires, used motor oil, lead acid batteries, yard waste or infectious waste"



## **When you clean your yard or sidewalk:**

- Sweep up sand and gravel and put it in the trash or mix it in the garden to loosen up that clay soil.
- Clean up around the storm drain in the street and report clogged drains to the City at 730-4130
- Never hose dirt and materials into the street.
- Never wash your car in the street. (Wash it on the lawn or take it to a car wash where the water is treated).
- Never dump anything down a storm drain.

*Our street maintenance team sweeps streets from snowmelt to snowfall. Six street sweepers work 16 hours a day in the summer, but with 590 miles of streets there is only so much they can do - It is up to you.*

*Don't end up in the gutter - obey the law and protect our pristine Lake.*

**Remember - it all flows down  
to Lake Superior!**

