Fall Stormwater Management & Water Quality Tips

- 1) <u>Dispose of leaf litter and yard waste in an appropriate manner, never in a local stream</u>. Leaf and yard waste should be shredded and used as mulch or fertilizer on your lawn or in your garden.
- 2) <u>Clear leaves and debris from gutters and storm drains</u>. Keep storm inlets clear of leaves and debris to prevent flooding and to keep local streams clean.
- 3) <u>Fertilize lawn only if needed</u>. Only fertilize if soil test determines its needed.
- 4) <u>Plant native trees and shrubs</u>. Fall is a great time to plan. Trees, shrubs, and groundcover provide wildlife habitats and infiltration of stormwater.