# TIPS TO PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION

### Reduce · Reuse · Recycle

### PRACTICE THE THREE Rs

- Reduce your consumption
- Reuse items whenever possible
- Recycle materials to minimize waste

#### **SINGLE-USE ITEMS**

These are products that become trash after one use. When it comes to single-use items, take only what you need.

#### **REUSABLE PRODUCTS**

- Grocery bags
- Lunch bags
- Washable cloth napkins, sponges, and dishcloths
- Water bottles
- Rechargeable batteries

### **RECYCLE**

The Orote Commissary offers recycling of glass, cans, and cardboard to its residential community.

### Help Your Community

### **PARTICIPATE IN CLEAN-UPS**

Join clean-up efforts to remove litter and debris from beaches, parks, and neighborhoods. This keeps Guam clean and free of pollution.

### **OCEAN SAFETY**

Participate in or support initiatives aimed at reducing marine pollution, protecting coral reefs, and preserving marine biodiversity around Guam.

#### **SPREAD THE NEWS!**

Share the importance of preserving natural resources with friends, family, and community members.



### Using Water at Home

Naval Base Guam (NBG) has established a program to protect community members from pollutants, reduce heat-island effects, provide increased flood protection, add more green spaces, improve water quality, and provide more habitat for plants and wildlife.

### WAYS YOU CAN HELP KEEP OUR WATER SAFE

### **STORING CHEMICALS**

- Keep chemicals, paints, fuels, and oils properly contained with lids and away from storm drain inlets.
- Properly dispose of chemicals at recycling centers.

### **VEHICLE WASHING**

- Use an approved vehicle wash facility whenever possible.
- If you wash your own vehicle, use an approved vehicle wash facility and/or lawn and gravel areas. See the MS4 website link for more information.
- Use biodegradable or non-toxic soap that is phosphate free.

### **GARDEN SAFETY**

- Limit the use of lawn pesticides and fertilizers, and use environmentally friendly alternatives when possible.
- When mowing the lawn, don't cut the grass too short.
- Limit water usage by utilizing a hose nozzle or watering cans.

### **PICK UP PET WASTE**

Pet waste can contain nutrients, harmful bacteria, and parasites. Dispose of waste in a trash bin.

## REDUCE USE OF HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS

Replace with Earth-safe products. Never empty unused household products down the drain, toilet, or gutter. Contact the NBG Environmental Office for more information.

### **REPORT POLLUTERS**

If you see anyone illegally dumping, report them by contacting the NBG Environmental Office.







Contact the NBG Environmental Office at: (671) 339-4100