



Friends of Lake Wingra



Promoting a healthy Lake Wingra through an active watershed community

Stormwater Management Grant Program

The Friends of Lake Wingra are pleased to announce a unique program designed to improve water quality and provide environmental education opportunities to schools and other institutions that impact Lake Wingra!

What is Stormwater Management?

Stormwater management involves the capture and conveyance of rainwater that does not soak into the ground. Traditional stormwater management techniques focused on moving water away from a site to a lake or river as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Why Focus on Infiltration?

Modern stormwater management focuses on infiltrating water into the ground. Infiltration is important for recharging the water table.

Water Quality

Successful stormwater management projects also focus on water quality. Runoff carries pollutants and nutrients which must be kept out of our Lakes and ground water. Examples of pollutants include fertilizer, chemicals, metals from dust, and trash.

Sediment

Stormwater management should also focus on removing sediment from surface runoff. Particles of soil, dust, and clay carry pollutants and clog rivers and lakes. Stormwater management projects that collect sediment also improve water quality.

How Can We Help?

Stormwater management projects can be easy and fun! The Friends of Lake Wingra is offering \$2,000 to \$4,000 in funds to construct a stormwater management project at your school, place of worship, or community center! Projects will be judged based on effectiveness, visibility, long term viability and maintenance planning, number of students, teacher, and/or community members involved, creativity and responsiveness to the attached RFP.

Project Examples

Raingardens



Rain Barrels



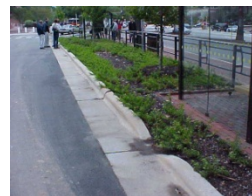
Sediment Traps



Reducing Impervious Areas



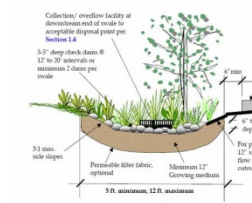
Curb Cuts



Education



Surface Water



Swales



Timeline

Grant applications are due Jan. 5, 2015. Winning projects submit detailed designs by Feb. 16. FoLW will be available to provide technical assistance if requested during all phases of your project. Questions? Visit www.lakewingra.org or Contact DavidThompson20@aol.com