# Why is proper disposal important?

This is how it works......

- Your pet "goes" on the grass.
- That waste contains bacteria that pose a health risk to people.
- When it rains or storms, the waste gets washed into the streets and flows down the storm drain into area streams and rivers where people may come into contact with it.



Scoop It, Bag It, Trash It

#### For more Information:

www.cityofbelpre.com

or call

Washington Soil and Water Conservation District 740-885-3312



## CITY OF BELPRE

Get the Scoop .....

## On Pet Waste



Tel: 740-423-7592 Fax: 740-423-4967

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STORM DRAIN MARKERS REMIND US THAT
STORMWATER RUNOFF GOES DIRECTLY TO STREAMS



## Just some facts

- Dog waste contains twice as many harmful pathogens as human waste & can cause diseases such as giardiasis & salmonella.
- Dog waste can contain hookworms, roundworms & other parasites that can transfer to humans simply by walking barefoot near the waste.
- There are over 700 licensed dogs within the City of Belpre.
- The average dog creates 1/2 lb. of waste per day. That's 350 lbs. of dog waste per day in the City!!
- City Ordinance 505.01 (d) (e) prohibits leaving pet waste on public property or the private property of others.
   And, prohibits the accumulation of pet waste on your own property.
   This includes dog, cat or other domestic animal waste.
- Signs are posted throughout the city as a reminder to clean up after your pet.

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### Dos and Don'ts

## Pet Waste .....

- **Don't leave or discard** on yours, or anyone else's property. Pathogens are dangerous to kids and adults enjoying the lawn, wooded areas, parks, cemeteries, or the bike path. Be especially mindful in Belpre's well field area in the CivitanPark area to protect the City's drinking water supply.
- **Don't toss onto a garden.** It can contaminate anything edible growing in your garden.
- **Don't flush** down your toilet. Your septic system or the City Waste Water Treatment Plant is not designed to treat it.
- **Don't add to compost.** The compost won't generate enough heat to kill the pathogens.
- Don't leave near a curb or anywhere near the storm drain system. This adds harmful bacteria to our streams and rivers.
- Do pick up after your pet. Bag and place the waste into your household trash.
- Do report violations:
  - ⇒ For private or public property call 740-423-7592

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**Ordinance # 505.01**