More than 150,000 times each month, lawns and gardens throughout LA County are overwatered. This can cause fertilizers and pesticides on grass and plants to flow into storm drains and to the ocean, untreated — harming the environment.

Please use fertilizers and pesticides wisely, not before a rain, and water carefully.

...not fertilizer.
Fertilizing Tips:

Fertilizers contain toxic chemicals that are harmful to people and the environment. You can keep your lawn and garden green and, at the same time, solve the pollution problem by taking these easy steps.

- Do not over-fertilize and do not fertilize near ditches, gutters or storm drains.
- Follow the directions on the label carefully.
- Do not overwater after fertilizing. Overflow water and your fertilizer will run into the street, down the storm drain and into the ocean. Do not fertilize before a rain.
- Store fertilizers and chemicals in a covered area and in sealed containers to prevent runoff.
- Do not blow, sweep, hose or rake leaves or other yard trimmings into the street, gutter or storm drain.

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