

BMP Summary Sheet

Department Name:

Category of Municipal Operations: Parks and Open Space Maintenance

BMP Title:	Landscape Maintenance
BMP Description:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use mechanical methods of vegetation removal whenever possible.• Avoid loosening the soil when removing weeds, and use mulch when soils are exposed.• Collect lawn and grass clippings, pruning waste, tree trimmings and weeds, and compost or dispose of properly.• Place stockpiles away from water and berm or cover them to prevent releases to the storm drains.• Consider planting native vegetation where feasible.• Reduce the use of high nitrogen fertilizers which produce excess growth.• Avoid placing landscape waste around storm drain inlets.• Only irrigate when needed and use measures to ensure minimal runoff.• Utilize a management system that incorporates integrated pest management techniques.• Use pesticides only if there is an actual problem.• Do not use pesticides if rain is expected, and do not prepare pesticides near a storm drain.• Calibrate application equipment to avoid excessive application.• Fertilizers should be worked into the soil rather than left on the surface, and sweep fertilizer off pavement before watering.• Dispose of containers accordingly.
Measurable Goals:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report percent of staff applying pesticides who are NYS Certified Applicators.• Reduction in fertilizer usage.• Reduction in pesticide usage and adoption of alternative pest control approaches.
Timeline/Implementation Schedule:	
Specific Components and Notes:	
Responsible Party for this BMP	<p><i>Indicate who specifically is responsible for the implementation and monitoring of this BMP. This should be the individual who is actively involved with the BMP.</i></p>
	<p>Name: Department: Phone: E-mail:</p>