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<p>1. Leave disturbed areas alone where soil has been disturbed by construction projects or ground removal.</p>	<p>2. Create and maintain vegetated filter strips as large as possible especially in areas below agriculture or construction operations.</p>
<p>3. Along ditches and drainage ways where erosion is occurring construct temporary sediment barriers such as hay-bale and silt fences.</p>	<p>4. Route downspouts coming off from roof gutters so the water discharges near foundation and septic systems.</p>
<p>5. Old abandoned wells should be ignored and not bothered.</p>	<p>6. Avoid using fertilizers, pesticides, petroleum products or other chemicals in areas near wells.</p>
<p>7. Abandoned wells should be plugged.</p>	<p>8. “Out-of-sight” should be “out-of-mind.” Don’t be concerned about what you can’t see.</p>
<p>9. Avoid locating septic systems near sinkholes.</p>	<p>10. Once installed, septic tanks do not ever need inspection or to be pumped out.</p>

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<p>11. Avoid dumping hazardous chemical down the drain, including household cleaners.</p>	<p>12. Don't be concerned about small amounts of paints, solvents, waste oil and pesticides going down drains into septic tanks.</p>
<p>13. Sinkholes should be plugged so runoff goes into other low lying areas and makes flooding occur.</p>	<p>14. If a sinkhole is on your property a vegetative barrier should be grown around that sinkhole.</p>
<p>15. Trash, dead animals and debris should not be thrown or placed into a sinkhole.</p>	<p>16. When clearing land or harvesting timber, don't rush to reseed or mulch the area.</p>
<p>17. When harvesting timber, stream crossing should be avoided or minimized.</p>	<p>18. A buffer zone of at least 50 feet along the sides of a stream should be protected, so soil is not compacted and so sediment runoff that can harm aquatic life is reduced.</p>
<p>19. Let cattle have free range of creek banks.</p>	<p>20. Allow fields to be overgrazed by cattle.</p>

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<p>21. Read and follow the label directions for pesticides carefully including disposal instructions.</p>	<p>22. Add nutrients or fertilizer to lawn and field without testing the nutrients in the soil beforehand.</p>
<p>23. Identify the appropriate timing to apply fertilizer or pesticides (usually to avoid rain events) to reduce runoff.</p>	<p>24. Don't store, mix or apply pesticides or herbicides near wells, sinkholes, streams, losing streams or ponds.</p>
<p>25. If removing stream gravel, only remove loosely packed gravel deposits that do not have any woody vegetation growing on them.</p>	