

# Did you know there are three raingardens at Valley Ridge Mall?



**Raingarden 1** in front of Acapulco Restaurant collects stormwater from rain and melting snow as it runs off the parking lot.

**Raingarden 2** near the central parking lot entrance has a concrete level spreader that allows stormwater to flow evenly into the garden.



**Raingarden 3** at the west end of the parking lot cleans polluted runoff from a nearby street intersection.

## What they do:

- ~ Keep dirty water out of Lily Lake and the St. Croix River
- ~ Reduce parking lot flooding
- ~ Provide attractive landscaping
- ~ Educate people about water pollution

## How they work:

- ~ Soak stormwater from the parking lot into the ground
- ~ Remove pollutants from the stormwater

## Project Partners:

- ~ True North Investments, LLC
- ~ Minnesota DNR
- ~ Washington Conservation District
- ~ Middle St. Croix Watershed

## Contractors:

- ~ All Weather Services
- ~ CMC Construction

## Constructed:

- ~ September 2009

? To learn more about these raingardens or how to build a raingarden at your home, visit the Washington Conservation District office inside the mall.