

# H2Ohio

## Why are Wetlands Important?

### THE ISSUE

During extreme rain and flooding, without wetlands, excessive nutrient levels pollute rivers and lakes.

### WETLANDS FILTER

EXCESSIVE LEVELS  
OF NUTRIENTS IN WATER

### IMPACTS

High amounts of nutrients in waterways contribute to harmful algal blooms.

Poor water quality affects recreation, fishing, wildlife, tourism and property values.

### NATURAL FILTERS

Wetlands, such as marshes and bogs, help filter commercial, agricultural, and landscaping nutrients from our rivers and lakes.

These wetlands help provide clean water for drinking, recreation, and quality habitats for plants and animals.

WETLANDS  
FILTERED WATER

### WHAT CAN BE DONE?

Learn more on our website and social media.

