

Fall is here ~ it's time to rake up leaves

Raking or blowing leaves from your yard into the street or open ditches is discouraged.

The street sweeper is not able to sweep up large piles of leaves at the curb, and leaves left in the street can cause clogged catch basins, slippery surfaces and rotten vegetation

Tips for proper leaf disposal:

After raking or blowing leaves into piles, there are several ways to dispose of them:

- **Garbage Service** – Contact Waste Management 503-992-1212. Be careful not to exceed the weight limit.
- **Burning** –Contact the Vernonia Rural Fire District 503-429-8252.
- **Compost** the leaves.
- **Mulch Leaves** with a lawnmower and spread the mixture over flowerbeds for winter. The nutrients in leaves are very beneficial to the ground.