

STORMWATER SMART - CONSTRUCTION SITES



When water from rain, snow, or sleet flows over the ground, it's called "stormwater". Stormwater can pick up paint, chemicals, antifreeze, and oil from vehicles in your parking lot. And when that stormwater flows into street gutters, storm drains, and downstream, it can pollute rivers, lakes, and streams. Follow these simple pollution solutions to help keep our local waterways clean and healthy!



Sediment can block drains and contaminate stormwater. To prevent this, install and maintain a pad at the construction entrance to ensure that vehicles do not carry mud and dirt onto the roads.

Install silt fences or other barriers on the downhill portion of construction sites and soil stockpiles to prevent rain from washing soil and sediment downstream.

Install inlet protection around storm drains to keep loose sediment and muddy water out of storm sewer pipes.

Keep paint, fuel, and chemicals in dry, covered storage areas. Properly dispose of these liquids in designated areas and use concrete washout areas for concrete waste.

Don't Risk It - The Consequences of Non-Compliance:

- **Fines and Penalties:** Violations of stormwater regulations can result in fines, legal fees and project delays.
- **Environmental Damage:** Illicit discharges can severely harm local ecosystems and water quality, leading to long-term damage.
- **Reputation Impact:** Non-compliance can harm your company's reputation and relationships with regulatory agencies and the public.

By taking these steps, you're helping to protect our community and contributing to a healthier, safer environment. We thank you for your commitment to responsible business practices.

REPORT ILLICIT DISCHARGES:

If you notice any unusual substances or pollutants in stormwater drains - such as oil, chemicals, or soapy water - please report it IMMEDIATELY!



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