

CITY OF SANTEE

STORMWATER INFORMATION

STORMWATER FACT SHEET 11

Demolition & Construction

Non-rainwater discharges from demolition and construction sites are illegal and could be subject to clean up costs, as well as fines and other penalties. With a few simple steps contractors on these sites can prevent illegal discharges.

WHERE DOES IT GO?

All water that drains off of the streets, parking lots, driveways and sidewalks enters the storm drain and is discharged into the San Diego River completely untreated!

KEEP YOUR SOIL ON YOUR PROPERTY

It is illegal to allow soil discharges into the street. Plan to use measures to prevent erosion (for example, preservation of current landscaping, expedited planting, blankets, hydroseeding, or bonded fiber matrix); and sediment control measures (silt fence, gravel bags, and fiber rolls) to prevent discharges, particularly between the months of October and May. Use silt-free gravel, not sand, in gravel bags. Be prepared to stop liquid discharges during demolition.

MANAGE A TIDY SITE

It is a violation of City ordinance to discharge airborne dust or allow the tracking of soil onto the street. Sweep or vacuum, DO NOT HOSE DOWN, any material that strays onto the street. Keep liquid materials in a covered second container. Do not discard waste materials to the ground. Instead, immediately place it into a trash container. Order an extra trash pickup if more waste is generated than usual. Dispose of hazardous materials properly. Use drip pans under vehicles and promptly remove spills.

CONCRETE AND POWDER MATERIALS

The pH content of cement mix can be high enough to classify it as hazardous waste! When concrete waste gets into a gutter and then the storm drain, it eventually ends up in the San Diego River. If allowed to dry in gutters or catch basins, it can disrupt the proper flow of rainwater. Other powdery material (stone dust, grout, and masonry), if discharged to the storm drain, will result in increased sediment in the San Diego River, having a negative effect on aquatic life. Place concrete waste into a container, and let it dry before disposal.

KEEP OUT OF THE GUTTER!

The gutter is not the place to clean any piece of equipment, large or small. It is a violation of the City's ordinance to park heavy vehicles in the street.



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