



Stormwater Pollution Prevention

Excavation & Grading

Sediment, cement wash, asphalt, and vehicle fluids from soil excavation and grading can make their way into washes -- contaminating soil and water and making our washes unsafe for people and wildlife. Please follow these best management practices to help prevent pollution.



Recycling Waste

Recycle broken asphalt, concrete, wood, and cleared vegetation whenever possible. Non-recyclable materials should be taken to the County Transfer Station; call 452-9805 for more information.



Maintaining Vehicles & Equipment

Maintain and refuel vehicles and equipment at a single location on-site, away from streets and gutters. Perform major equipment repairs and washings off-site. Inspect vehicles and equipment frequently for leaks. Use gravel approaches where truck traffic is heavy to reduce soil compaction and limit the tracking of sediment into the street.



Cleaning & Maintenance

Clean equipment, floor mats, and filters in a vehicle washing area or a wash-out. Sweep outside areas and put the debris in the garbage instead of sweeping or hosing it into the parking lot or street.



Storing Materials

Keep construction materials and debris away from streets, gutters, and washes. Cover exposed stockpiles of soil, sand, gravel, and excavated material with plastic sheeting to protect them from rain, wind, and runoff.



Preventing Erosion

Avoid excavating or grading during wet weather. Plant temporary vegetation on slopes where construction is not immediately planned. Plant permanent vegetation once excavation and grading are complete. Construct diversion dikes to channel runoff. Channels can be lined with native plants and grasses, or roughened pavement to reduce runoff velocity.

To report possible Stormwater Pollution, please call 452-7017