### Attachment C Educational Materials



Anderstanding Stormwater



700-C0-9-FC8 WI3



or visit www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater www.epa.gov/nps

For more information contact:

### Mrev the Storm



#### What is stormwater runoff?



Stormwater runoff occurs when precipitation from rain or snowmelt flows over the ground. Impervious surfaces like driveways, sidewalks, and streets prevent stormwater from naturally soaking into the ground.

#### Why is stormwater runoff a problem?



Stormwater can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants and flow into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland, or coastal water. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the waterbodies we use for swimming, fishing, and providing drinking water.

#### The effects of pollution

Polluted stormwater runoff can have many adverse effects on plants, fish, animals, and people.

- Sediment can cloud the water and make it difficult or impossible for aquatic plants to grow. Sediment also can destroy aquatic habitats.
- Excess nutrients can cause algae blooms. When algae die, they sink to the bottom and decompose in a process that removes oxygen from the water. Fish and other aquatic organisms can't exist in water with low dissolved oxygen levels.
- Bacteria and other pathogens can wash into swimming areas and create health hazards, often making beach closures necessary.
- Debris—plastic bags, six-pack rings, bottles, and cigarette butts—washed into waterbodies can choke, suffocate, or disable aquatic life like ducks, fish, turtles, and birds.
- Household hazardous wastes like insecticides, pesticides, paint, solvents, used motor oil, and other auto fluids can poison aquatic life.
   Land animals and people can become sick or die from eating diseased fish and shellfish or ingesting polluted water.



 Polluted stormwater often affects drinking water sources. This, in turn, can affect human health and increase drinking water treatment costs.





#### Stormwater Pollution Solutions

Septic

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Leaking and

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by stormwater and discharged

Pathogens can cause public

Inspect your system every

3 years and pump your

household hazardous

waste in sinks or toilets.

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Recycle or properly dispose of household products that contain chemicals, such as insecticides, pesticides, paint, solvents, and used motor oil and other auto fluids. Don't pour them onto the ground or into storm drains.

#### Lawn care

Excess fertilizers and pesticides applied to lawns and gardens wash off and pollute streams. In addition, yard clippings and

leaves can wash into storm drains and contribute nutrients and organic matter to streams

- Don't overwater your lawn. Consider using a soaker hose instead of a sprinkler.
- · Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. When use is necessary, use these chemicals in the recommended amounts. Use organic mulch or safer pest control methods whenever possible
- · Compost or mulch yard waste. Don't leave it in the street or sweep it into storm drains or streams
- · Cover piles of dirt or mulch being 'ndscaping projects

#### Auto care

Washing your car and degreasing auto parts at home can send detergents and other contaminants through the storm sewer system. Dumping automotive fluids into storm drains has the same result as dumping the materials directly into a waterbody.

- · Use a commercial car wash that treats or recycles its wastewater, or wash your car on your yard so the water infiltrates into the
- · Repair leaks and dispose of used auto fluids and batteries at designated drop-off or recycling locations.

Pet waste can be a major source of bacteria and excess nutrients

your pet, remember to pick up the waste and dispose of it properly. Flushing pet waste is the best disposal method. Leaving pet waste on the ground increase public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into the storm drain and eventually into local waterbodies

#### Pet waste

in local waters.

· When walking



Education is essential to changing people's behavior. Signs and markers near storm drains warn residents that pollutants entering the drains will be carried untreated into a local waterhody.

#### Residential landscaping

Permeable Pavement—Traditional concrete and asphalt don't allow water to soak into the ground. Instead these surfaces rely on storm drains to divert unwanted water. Permeable pavement systems allow rain and snowmelt to soak through, decreasing stormwater runoff.

Rain Barrels-You can collect rainwater from rooftops in mosquitoproof containers. The water can be used later on lawn or garden areas.

Rain Gardens and Grassy Swales-Specially designed areas planted with native plants can provide natural places for

rainwater to collect and soak into the ground. Rain from rooftop areas or paved

areas can be diverted into these areas rather than into storm drains

Vegetated Filter Strips-Filter strips are areas of native grass or plants created along roadways or streams. They trap the pollutants stormwater picks up as it flows across driveways and streets.



Dirt, oil, and debris that collect in parking lots and paved areas can be washed into the storm sewer system and eventually enter local waterbodies.

to 5 years).

· Don't dispose of

- Sweep up litter and debris from sidewalks, driveways and parking lots, especially around storm drains.
- Cover grease storage and dumpsters and keep them clean to avoid leaks
- · Report any chemical spill to the local hazardous waste cleanup team. They'll know the best way to keep spills from harming the environment.

Frosion controls that aren't maintained can cause ssive amounts of sediment and debris to be d into the stormwater system. Construction vehicles can leak fuel, oil, and other harmful fluids that can be picked up by stormwater and deposited into local waterbodies

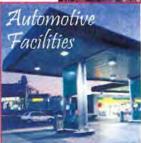
- Divert stormwater away from disturbed or exposed areas of the construction site.
- · Install silt fences, vehicle mud removal areas, vegetative cover, and other sediment and erosion controls and properly maintain them, especially after rainstorms
- · Prevent soil erosion by minimizing disturbed areas during construction projects, and seed and mulch bare areas as soon as possible.





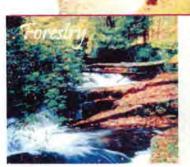
Lack of vegetation on streambanks can lead to erosion. Overgrazed pastures can also contribute excessive amounts of sediment to local waterbodies. Excess fertilizers and pesticides can poison aquatic animals and lead to destructive algae blooms. Livestock in streams can contaminate waterways with bacteria, making them unsafe for human contact.

- Keep livestock away from streambanks and provide them a water source away from waterbodies.
- Store and apply manure away from waterbodies and in accordance with a nutrient management plan.
- Vegetate riparian areas along waterways
- Rotate animal grazing to prevent soil erosion in fields.
- Apply fertilizers and pesticides according to label instructions to save money and minimize pollution.



Uncovered fueling stations allow spills to be washed into storm drains. Cars waiting to be repaired can leak fuel, oil, and other harmful fluids that can be picked up by stormwater.

- · Clean up spills immediately and properly dispose of cleanup materials
- Provide cover over fueling stations and design or retrofit facilities for spill containment.
- Properly maintain fleet vehicles to prevent oil, gas, and other discharges from being washed into local waterbodies
- Install and maintain oil/water separators.



Improperly managed logging operations can result in erosion and

- Conduct preharvest planning to prevent erosion and lower costs.
- Use logging methods and equipment that minimize soil disturbance.
- Plan and design skid trails, yard areas, and truck access roads to minimize stream crossings and avoid disturbing the forest floor.
- Construct stream crossings so that they minimize erosion and physical changes to streams.
- · Expedite revegetation of cleared areas.

# Held Protect Our Waterways!

Use these guidelines for Outdoor Cleaning Activities and Wash Water Disposal

jd you know that disposing of pollutants into the street, gutter, storm drain or body of water is PROHIBITED by law and can result in stiff penalties?

## Best Management Practices

Waste wash water from Mechanics, Plumbers, Window/Power Washers, Carpet Cleaners, Car Washing and Mobile Detailing activities may contain significant quantities of motor oil, grease, chemicals, dirt, detergents, brake pad dust, litter and other materials.

Best Management Practices, or BMPs as they are known, are guides to prevent pollutants from entering the storm drains. Each of us can do our part to keep stormwater clean by using the suggested BMPs below:

## Simple solutions for both light and heavy duty jobs:

Do...consider dry cleaning methods first such as a mop, broom, rag or wire brush. Always keep a spill response kit on site.

Do...prepare the work area before power cleaning by using sand bags, rubber mats, vacuum booms, containment pads or temporary berns to keep wash water <u>away</u> from the gutters and storm desine

Do...use vacuums or other machines to remove and collect loose debris or litter before applying water.

**DO...** obtain the property owner's permission to dispose of *small amounts* of power washing waste water on to landscaped, gravel or unpaved surfaces.

Do...check your local sanitary sewer agency's policies on wash water disposal regulations before disposing of wash water into the sewer. (See list on reverse side)

Do...be aware that if discharging to landscape areas, soapy wash water may damage landscaping. Residual wash water may remain on paved surfaces to evaporate. Sweep up solid residuals and dispose of properly. Vacuum booms are another option for capturing and collecting wash water.

Do...check to see if local ordinances prevent certain activities.

Do not let...wash or waste water from sidewalk, plaza or building cleaning go into a street or storm drain.



Report illegal storm drain disposal Call Toll Free 1-800-506-2555

## Using Cleaning Agents

Try using biodegradable/phosphate-free products. They are easier on the environment, but don't confuse them with being toxic free. Soapy water entering the storm drain system <u>can</u> impact the delicate aquatic environment.



When cleaning surfaces with a high-pressure washer or steam cleaner, additional precautions should be taken to prevent the discharge of pollutants into the storm drain system. These two methods of surface cleaning can loosen additional material that can contaminate local waterways.

# Think Water Conservation

Minimize water use by using high pressure, low volume nozzles. Be sure to check all hoses for leaks. Water is a precious resource, don't let it flow freely and be sure to shut it off in between uses.

## Screening Wash Water

Conduct thorough dry cleanup before washing exterior surfaces, such as buildings and decks with loose paint, sidewalks or plaza areas. Keep debris from entering the storm drain after cleaning by first passing the wash water through a "20 mesh" or finer screen to catch the solid materials, then dispose of the mesh in a refuse container. Do not let the remaining wash water enter a street, gutter or storm drain.

## Drain Inlet Protection & Collection of Wash Water

- Prior to any washing, block all storm drains with an impervious barrier such as sandbags or berms, or seal the storm drain with plugs or other appropriate materials.
  - Create a containment area with berms and traps or take advantage of a low spot to keep wash water contained.
- Wash vehicles and equipment on grassy or gravel areas so that the wash water can seep into the ground.
  - Pump or vacuum up all wash water in the contained area.

### Concrete/Coring/Saw Cutting and Drilling Projects

Protect any down-gradient inlets by using dry activity techniques whenever possible. If water is used, minimize the amount of water used during the coring/drilling or saw cutting process. Place a barrier of sandbags and/or absorbent berms to protect the storm drain inlet or watercourse. Use a shovel or wet vacuum to remove the residue from the pavement. Do not wash residue or particulate matter into a storm drain inlet or watercourse.

# Helpful telephone numbers and links:

# Riverside County Stormwater Protection Partners

Flood Control District	(951) 955-120
County of Riverside	(951) 955-100
City of Banning	(951) 922-310
City of Beaumont	(951) 769-852
City of Calimesa	086-562 (606)
City of Canyon Lake	(951) 244-295
Cathedral City	(760) 770-032
City of Coachella	(760) 398-497
City of Corona	(951) 736-244
City of Desert Hot Springs	(760) 329-641
City of Eastvale	(951) 361-090
City of Hemet	(951) 765-230
City of Indian Wells	(760) 346-248
City of Indio	(760) 391-400
City of Lake Elsinore	(951) 674-312
City of La Quinta	007-777 (097)
City of Menifee	(951) 672-677
City of Moreno Valley	(951) 413-300
City of Murrieta	(951) 304-248
City of Norco	(951) 270-560
City of Palm Desert	(760) 346-061
City of Palm Springs	(760) 323-829
Gity of Perris	(951) 943-610
City of Rancho Mirage	(760) 324-451
City of Riverside	(951) 361-090
City of San Jacinto	(951) 654-733
City of Temecula	(951) 694-644
City of Wildomar	(951) 677-775

# REPORT ILLEGAL STORM DRAIN DISPOSAL 1-800-506-2555 or e-mail us at franches@reflood.org

Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
 www.reflood.org

### Online resources include:

- California Storm Water Quality Association www.casqa.org
- State Water Resources Control Board www.waterboards.ca.gov
  - Power Washers of North America

# Stormwater Pollution

What you should know for...

### Outdoor Cleaning Activities and Professional Mobile Service Providers



# Storm drain pollution prevention information for:

- Car Washing / Mobile Detailers
- Window and Carpet Cleaners
- Power Washers
- Waterproofers / Street Sweepers
- Equipment cleaners or degreasers and all mobile service providers

# Do you know where street flows actually go?

# Storm drains are NOT connected to sanitary sewer systems and treatment plants!

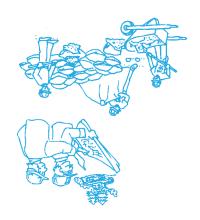


he primary purpose of storm drains is to carry <u>rain</u> water away from developed areas to prevent flooding. Pollutants discharged to storm drains are transported directly into rivers, lakes and streams. Soaps, degreasers, automotive fluids, litter and a host of materials are washed off buildings, sidewalks, plazas and parking areas. Vehicles and equipment must be properly managed to prevent the pollution of local waterways.

Unintentional spills by mobile service operators can flow into storm drains and pollute our waterways. Avoid mishaps. Always have a Spill Response Kit on hand to clean up unintentional spills. Only emergency Mechanical repairs should be done in City streets, using drip pans for spills. Plumbing should be done on private property. Always store chemicals in a leak-proof container and keep covered when not in use. Window/Power Washing waste water shouldn't be released into the streets, but should be disposed of in a sanitary sewer, landscaped area or in the soil. Soiled Carpet Cleaning wash water should be filtered before being discharged into the sanitary sewer. Dispose of all filter debris properly. Car Washing/Detailing operators should wash cars on private property and use a regulated hose nozzle for water flow control and runoff prevention. Capture and dispose of waste water and chemicals properly.

Remember, storm drains are for receiving rain water runoff only.





qirectly into our local waterways. wastes into streets storm drains, or transport construction materials and adjacent streets. Additionally, wind may amounts of mud and sediment onto equipment can also track significant Construction vehicles and heavy

once it enters local waterways. drain system, creating multiple problems in sediment discharges into the storm controls at construction sites often results maintain adequate erosion and sediment erosion and sedimentation. Failure to associated with construction activities are stormwater pollution problems The two most common sources of

**CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES FROM STORMWATER POLLUTION** 

environmental damage caused by your subcontractors or employees. operator or supervisor of a construction site, you may be held financially responsible for any sediment and pollutants into the streets, the storm drain system or waterways. As an owner, PLEASE NOTE: The Federal, State and local regulations strictly prohibit the discharge of

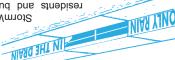
Inbricants, vehicle fluids, fuel, pesticides, and construction debris. discharges from construction sites containing sediment, concrete, mortar, paint, solvents,

discharge of pollutants into the storm drain system or local surface water. This includes adopted ordinances for stormwater management, and discharge control that prohibit the In accordance with applicable federal and state law, the Cities and County of Riverside have

site operators can use to prevent stormwater pollution.

pamphlet describes various Best Management Practices (BMPs) that construction residents and businesses on pollution prevention activities. This StormWater/CleanWater Protection Program informs

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#### StormWater/CleanWater Protection Program The Cities and County of Riverside

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waterways and can pose a serious threat to the health of our pollution in California. It jeopardizes the quality of our local construction sites has been identified as a major source of water pollutants into stormwater runoff. Polluted stormwater runoff from significantly after natural drainage processes and introduce However, land development and construction activities can Stormwater runoff is a part of the natural hydrologic process.

streams, rivers and lakes.

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transporting pollutants directly to our local waterways. for water treatment, it also serves the unintended function of developed areas. Since the storm drain system does not provide

system was designed to reduce flooding by carrying excess rainwater away from streets and Riverside County has two drainage systems - sewers and storm drains. The storm drain

Storm Water Pollution ... What You should Know

#### Resources

State Water Resources Control Board Division of Water Quality 1001 I Street Sacramento CA 95814 (916) 341-5455

www.swrcb.ca.gov/stormwtr/

Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board - Region 7 73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100 Palm Desert, CA 92260 (760) 346-7491

www.swrcb.ca.gov/~rwqcb7/

Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board - Region 8 3737 Main Street, Suite 500 Riverside, CA 92501-3348 (909) 782-4130

www.swrcb.ca.gov/~rwqcb8/

San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board - Region 9 9771 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite A San Diego, CA 92124 (858) 467-2952

www.swrcb.ca.gov/~rwqcb9/

To report a hazardous materials spill, call:

Riverside County Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Team (909) 358-5055 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (909) 358-5245 after 5:00 p.m.

In an emergency call: 911

For recycling and hazardous waste disposal, call:

(909) 358-5055

To report an illegal dumping or a clogged storm drain, call:

1-800-506-2555

To order additional brochures or to obtain information on other pollution prevention activities, please call (909) 955-1200 or visit the StormWater/CleanWater Protection Program website at:

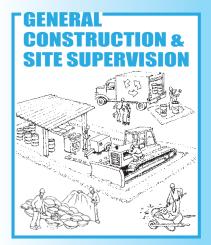
www.co.riverside.ca.us/depts/flood/waterquality npdes.asp



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#### **StormWater Pollution**

What you should know for...



#### **Best Management Practices (BMPs)**

- Developers
- General Contractors
- Home Builders
- Construction Inspectors
- Anyone in the construction business

### What Should You Do? Advance Planning to Prevent Pollution

- Remove existing vegetation only as needed.Schedule excavation, grading, and
- paving operations for dry weather periods, if possible.
- Designate a specific area of the construction site, well away from storm drain inlets or watercourses, for material storage and equipment maintenance.
- Develop and implement an effective combination of erosion and sediment controls for the construction site.
- Practice source reduction by ordering only the amount of materials that are needed to finish the project.
- Educate your employees and subcontractors about stormwater management requirements and their pollution prevention responsibilities.
- Control the amount of surface runoff at the construction site by impeding internally generated flows and using berms or drainage ditches to direct incoming offsite flows to go around the site. Note: Consult local drainage policies for more information.

#### **BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES**

The following Best Management Practices (BMPs) can significantly reduce pollutant discharges from your construction site. Compliance with stormwater regulations can be as simple as minimizing stormwater contact with potential pollutants by providing covers and secondary containment for construction materials, designating areas away from storm drain systems for storing equipment and materials and implementing good housekeeping practices at the construction site.

- Protect all storm drain inlets and streams located near the construction site to prevent sediment-laden water from entering the storm drain system.
- Limit access to and from the site. Stabilize construction entrances/exits to minimize the track out of dirt and mud onto adjacent streets. Conduct frequent street sweeping.
- Protect stockpiles and construction materials from winds and rain by storing them under a roof, secured impermeable tarp or plastic sheeting.
- Avoid storing or stockpiling materials near storm drain inlets, gullies or streams.
- Phase grading operations to limit disturbed areas and duration of exposure.
- Perform major maintenance and repairs of vehicles and equipment offsite.
- Wash out concrete mixers only in designated washout areas at the construction site.
- Set-up and operate small concrete mixers on tarps or heavy plastic drop cloths.
- Keep construction sites clean by removing trash, debris, wastes, etc. on a regular basis.

- Clean-up spills immediately using dry clean-up methods (e.g., absorbent materials such as cat litter, sand or rags for liquid spills; sweeping for dry spills such as cement, mortar or fertilizer) and by removing the contaminated soil from spills on dirt areas.
- Prevent erosion by implementing any or a combination of soil stabilization practices such as mulching, surface roughening, permanent or temporary seeding.
- Maintain all vehicles and equipment in good working condition. Inspect frequently for leaks, and repair promptly.
- Practice proper waste disposal. Many construction materials and wastes, including solvents, water-based paint, vehicle fluids, broken asphalt and concrete, wood, and cleared vegetation can be recycled. Materials that cannot be recycled must be taken to an appropriate landfill or disposed of as hazardous waste.
- Cover open dumpsters with secured tarps or plastic sheeting. Never clean out a dumpster by washing it down on the construction site.
- Arrange for an adequate debris disposal schedule to insure that dumpsters do not overflow.

#### GENERAL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES STORMWATER PERMIT

(Construction Activities General Permit)

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) adopted a new Construction Activities General Permit (WQ Order No. 99-08DWQ) on August 19, 1999, superseding the now expired SWRCB statewide General Permit (WQ Order No. 92-08DWQ). This permit is administered and enforced by the SWRCB and the local Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCB). The updated Construction Activities General Permit establishes a number of new stormwater management requirements for construction site operator.

NOTE: Some construction activies stormwater permits are issued on a regional basis. Consult your local RWQCB to find out if your project requires coverage under any of these permits.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

### Does my construction site require coverage under the Construction Activities General Permit?

Yes, if construction activity results in the disturbance of five or more acres of total land area or is part of a common plan of development that results in the disturbance of five or more acres.

#### How do I obtain coverage under the Construction Activities General Permit?

Obtain the permit package and submit the completed Notice of Intent (NOI) form to the

SWRCB prior to grading or disturbing soil at the construction site. For ongoing construction activity involving a change of ownership, the new owner must submit a new NOI within 30 days of the date of change of ownership. The completed NOI along with the required fee should be mailed to the SWRCB.

#### What must I do to comply with the requirements of the Construction Activities General Permit?

- Implement BMPs for non-stormwater discharges year-round.
- Prepare and implement a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) prior to commencing construction activities.
- Keep a copy of the SWPPP at the construction site for the entire duration of the project.
- Calculate the anticipated stormwater runoff.
- Implement an effective combination of erosion and sediment control on all soil disturbed areas.
- Conduct site inspections prior to anticipated storm events, every 24-hours during extended storm events, and after actual storm event.
- Perform repair and maintenance of BMPs as soon as possible after storm events depending upon worker safety.

- Update the SWPPP as needed, to manage pollutants or reflect changes in site conditions.
- Include description of post construction BMPs at the construction site, including parties responsible for long-term maintenance.

NOTE: Please refer to the Construction Activities General Permit for detailed information. You may contact the SWRCB, your local RWQCB, or visit the SWRCB website at <a href="https://www.swrcb.ca.gov/stormwtr/">www.swrcb.ca.gov/stormwtr/</a> to obtain a State Construction Activities Stormwater General Permit packet.

#### How long is this Construction Activities General Permit in

The Permit coverage stays in effect untilyou submit a Notice of Termination (NOT) to the SWRCB. For the purpose of submitting a NOT, all soil disturbing activities have to be completed and one of the three following criteria has to be met:

- 1. Change of ownership;
- A uniform vegetative cover with 70 percent coverage has been established; or,
- Equivalent stabilization measures such as the use of reinforced channel liners, soil cement, fiber matrices, geotextiles, etc., have been employed.

For more information on the General Industrial Storm Water Permit contact:

State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) (916) 657-1146 or www.swrcb.ca.gov/ or, at your Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB).

Santa Ana Region (8) California Tower 3737 Main Street, Ste. 500 Riverside, CA 92501-3339

(909) 782-4130 San Diego Region (9) 9771 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Ste. A San Diego, CA 92124

Colorado River Basin Region (7) 73-720 Fred Waring Dr., Ste. 100 Palm Desert, CA 92260 (760) 346-7491

(619) 467-2952

SPILL RESPONSE AGENCY:

THE MAZHOUS MASTE DISPOSAL: (909) 358-5055
HAZANDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL: (909) 358-5055
RECYCLING INFORMATION: 1-800-366-SAVE
TO REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING OR A CLOGGED

To order additional brochures or to obtain information on other pollution prevention activities, call: (909) 955-1111.

1-800-506-2555

STORM DRAIN:



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# DID You Know . . .

### Your Facility May Need A Storm Water Permit?



Many industrial facilities and manufacturing operations must obtain coverage under the Industrial Activities Storm Water General Permit

FIND OUT
IF YOUR FACILITY
MUST OBTAIN A PERMIT

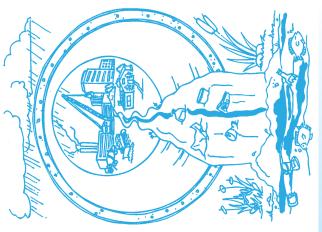
# StormWater Pollution . . . What you should know

Riverside County has two drainage systems - sanitary sewers and storm drains. The storm drain system is designed to help prevent flooding by carrying excess rainwater away from streets. Since the storm drain system does not provide for

water treatment, it also serves the *unintended* function of transporting pollutants directly to our waterways.

Unlike sanitary sewers, storm drains are not connected to a treatment plant - they flow directly to our local streams, rivers and lakes.

In recent years, awareness of the need to protect water quality has increased. As a result, federal, state, and local programs have been established to reduce polluted stormwater discharges to our waterways. The emphasis of these programs is to prevent stormwater pollution since it's much easier, and less costly, than cleaning up "after the fact."



# National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

In 1987, the Federal Clean Water Act was amended to establish a framework for regulating industrial stormwater discharges under the NPDES permit program. In California, NPDES permits are issued by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and the nine (9) Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCB). In general, certain industrial facilities and manufacturing operations must obtain coverage under the Industrial Activities Storm Water General Permit if the type of facilities or operations falls into one of the several categories described in this brochure.

# How Do I Know If I Need A Permit?

Following are *general descriptions* of the industry categories types that are regulated by the Industrial Activities Stom Water General Permit. Contact your local Region Water Quality Control Board to determine if your facility/operation requires coverage under the Permit.

- ◆ Facilities such as cement manufacturing; feedlots; fertilizer manufacturing; petroleum refining; phosphate manufacturing; steam electric power generation; coal mining; mineral mining and processing; ore mining and dressing; and asphalt emulsion;
- Facilities classified as lumber and wood products (except wood kitchen cabinets); pulp, paper, and paperboard mills; chemical producers (except some pharmaceutical and biological products); petroleum and coal products; leather production and products; stone, clay and glass products; primary metal industries; fabricated structural metal; ship and boat building and
- Active or inactive mining operations and oil and gas exploration, production, processing, or treatment operations;
- → Hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facilities;

- Landfills, land application sites and open dumps that receive or have received any industrial waste; unless there is a new overlying land use such as a golf course, park, etc., and there is no discharge associated with the landfill;
- ◆ Facilities involved in the recycling of materials, including metal scrap yards, battery reclaimers, salvage yards, and automobile junkyards;
- Steam electric power generating facilities, facilities that generate steam for electric power by combustion;
- Transportation facilities that have vehicle maintenance shops, fueling facilities, equipment cleaning operations, or airport deicing operations. This includes school bus maintenance facilities operated by a school district;
- Sewage treatment facilities;
- ◆ Facilities that have areas where material handling equipment or activities, raw materials, intermediate products, final products, waste materials, by-products, or industrial machinery are exposed to storm water.

# What are the requirements of the Industrial Activities Storm Water General Permit?

The basic requirements of the Permit are:

- The facility must eliminate any non-stormwater discharges or obtain a separate permit for such discharges.
- 2. The facility must develop and implement a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). The SWPPP must identify sources of pollutants that may be exposed to stormwater. Once the sources of pollutants have been identified, the facility operator must develop and implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) to minimize or prevent polluted runoff.

Guidance in preparing a SWPPP is available from a document prepared by the California Storm Water Quality Task Force called the California Storm Water Best Management Practice Handbook.

- 3. The facility must develop and implement a Monitoring Program that includes conducting visual observations and collecting samples of the facility's storm water discharges associated with industrial activity. The General Permit requires that the analysis be conducted by a laboratory that is certified by the State of California.
- The facility must submit to the Regional Board, every July 1, an annual report that includes the results of
  its monitoring program.

A Non-Storm Water Discharge is... any discharge to a storm drain system that is not composed entirely of storm water. The following non-storm water discharges are authorized by the General Permit: fire hydrant flushing; potable water sources, including potable water related to the operation, maintenance, or testing of potable water systems; drinking fountain water; atmospheric condensates including refrigeration, air conditioning, and compressor condensate; irrigation drainage; landscape watering; springs; non-contaminated ground water; foundation or footing drainage; and sea water infiltration where the sea waters are discharged back into the sea

A BMP is ... a technique, process, activity, or structure used to reduce the pollutant content of a storm water discharge. BMPs may include simple, non-structural methods such as good housekeeping, staff training and preventive maintenance. Additionally, BMPs may include structural modifications such as the installation of berms, canopies or treatment control (e.g. setting basins, oil/water separators, etc.)



WARNING: There are significant penalties for non-compliance: a minimum fine of \$5,000 for failing to obtain permit coverage, and, up to \$10,000 per day, per violation plus \$10 per gallon of discharge in excess of 1,000 gallons.

## How do I obtain coverage under the Industrial Activities Storm Water General Permit?

Obtain a permit application package from your local Regional Water Quality Control Board listed on the back of this brochure or the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). Submit a completed Notice of Intent (NOI) form, site map and the appropriate fee (\$250 or \$500) to the SWRCB. Facilities must submit an NOI thirty (30) days prior to beginning operation. Once you submit the NOI, the State Board will send you a letter acknowledging receipt of your NOI and will assign your facility a waste discharge identification number (WDID No.). You will also receive an annual fee billing. These billings should roughly coincide with the date the State Board processed your original NOI submittal.



#### The Updated Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Landscapes are essential to the quality of life in California. They provide areas for recreation, enhance the environment, clean the air and water, prevent erosion, offer fire protection and replace ecosystems lost to development.

California's economic prosperity and environmental quality are dependant on an adequate supply of water for beneficial uses. In California, about half of the urban water used is for landscape irrigation. Ensuring **efficient landscapes** in new developments and reducing water waste in existing landscapes are the most cost-effective ways to stretch our limited water supplies and ensure that we continue to have sufficient water for California to prosper.

The Water Conservation in Landscaping Act of 2006 (Assembly Bill 1881, Laird) requires cities, counties, and charter cities and charter counties, to adopt landscape water conservation ordinances by January 1, 2010. Pursuant to this law, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) has prepared a Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (Model Ordinance) for use by local agencies. The Model Ordinance was approved by the Office of Administrative Law on September 10, 2009. The Model Ordinance became effective on September 10.

All local agencies must adopt a water efficient landscape ordinance by **January 1, 2010**. The local agencies may adopt the state Model Ordinance, or craft an ordinance to fit local conditions. In addition, several local agencies may collaborate and craft a region-wide ordinance. In any case, the adopted ordinance must be as effective as the Model Ordinance in regard to water conservation.





For more information, please visit our web site at <a href="http://www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/landscapeordinance/">http://www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/landscapeordinance/</a>

### Important points to consider...



#### Water purveyors have an important role.

The enabling statute was directed to local agencies that make land use decisions and approve land development. Active participation by water purveyors can make the implementation, enforcement and follow-up actions of an ordinance more effective.

Most new and rehabilitated landscapes are subject to a water efficient landscape ordinance. Public landscapes and private development projects including developer installed single family and multi-family residential landscapes with at least 2500 sq. ft. of landscape area are subject to the Model Ordinance.

Homeowner provided landscaping at single family and multi-family homes are subject to the Model Ordinance if the landscape area is at least 5000 sq. ft

#### Existing landscapes are also subject to the Model Ordinance.

Water waste is common in landscapes that are poorly designed or not well maintained. Water waste (from runoff, overspray, low head drainage, leaks and excessive amounts of applied irrigation water in landscapes is prohibited by Section 2, Article X of the California Constitution.

Any landscape installed prior to January 1, 2010, that is at least one acre in size may be subject to irrigation audits, irrigation surveys or water use analysis programs for evaluating irrigation system performance and adherence to the Maximum Applied Water Allowance as defined in the 1992 Model Ordinance with an Evapotranspiration Adjustment Factor (ETAF) of 0.8. Local agencies and water purveyors (designated by the local agency) may institute these or other programs to increase efficiency in existing landscapes.

#### All new landscapes will be assigned a water budget.

The water budget approach is a provision in the statute that ensures a landscape is allowed sufficient water. There are two water budgets in the Model Ordinance; the Maximum Applied Water Allowance (MAWA) and the Estimated Total Water Use (ETWU).

The MAWA, is the water budget used for compliance and is an annual water allowance based on landscape area, local evapotranspiration and ETAF of 0.7. The ETWU is an annual water use estimation for design purposes and is based on the water needs of the plants actually chosen for a given landscape. The ETWU may not exceed the MAWA.

#### Water efficient landscapes offer multiple benefits.

Water efficient landscapes will stretch our limited water supplies. Other benefits include reduced irrigation runoff, reduced pollution of waterways, less property damage, less green waste, increased drought resistance and a smaller carbon footprint.

#### The Department of Water Resources will offer technical assistance.

The Department plans to offer a series of workshops, publications and other assistance for successful adoption and implementation of the Model Ordinance or local water efficient landscape ordinances. Information regarding these resources may be found on the DWR website: <a href="http://www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/landscapeordinance/">http://www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/landscapeordinance/</a> Questions on the Model Ordinance may be sent by e-mail to DWR staff at: <a href="mailto:mweo@water.ca.gov">mweo@water.ca.gov</a>.



### R-3 AUTOMOBILE PARKING

Parked automobiles may contribute pollutants to the storm drain because poorly maintained vehicles may leak fluids containing hydrocarbons, metals, and other pollutants. In addition, heavily soiled automobiles may drop clods of dirt onto the parking surface, contributing to the sediment load when runoff is present. During rain events, or wash-down activities, the pollutants may be carried into the storm drain system. The pollution prevention activities outlined in this fact sheets are used to prevent the discharge of pollutants to the storm drain system.

The activities outlined in	this fact
sheet target the following	
pollutants:	
Sediment	Χ
Nutrients	
Bacteria	
Foaming Agents	
Metals	Χ
Hydrocarbons	Χ
Hazardous Materials	Х
Pesticides and	
Herbicides	
Other	

Think before parking your car. Remember - The ocean starts at your front door.

#### Required Activities

- If required, vehicles have to be removed from the street during designated street sweeping/cleaning times.
- If the automobile is leaking, place a pan or similar collection device under the automobile, until such time as the leak may be repaired.
- Use dry cleaning methods to remove any materials deposited by vehicles (e.g. adsorbents for fluid leaks, sweeping for soil clod deposits).

#### Recommended Activities

- Park automobiles over permeable surfaces (e.g. gravel, or porous cement).
- Limit vehicle parking to covered areas.
- Perform routine maintenance to minimize fluid leaks, and maximize fuel efficiency.



### R-8 WATER CONSERVATION

Excessive irrigation and/or the overuse of water is often the most significant factor in transporting pollutants to the storm drain system. Pollutants from a wide variety of sources including automobile repair and maintenance, automobile washing, automobile parking, home and garden care activities and pet care may dissolve in the water and be transported to the storm drain. In addition, particles and materials coated with fertilizers and pesticides may be suspended in the flow and be transported to the storm drain.

The activities outlined in sheet target the following pollutants:	
Sediment	Х
Nutrients	Х
Bacteria	Х
Foaming Agents	Х
Metals	Х
Hydrocarbons	Х
Hazardous Materials	Х
Pesticides and	Х
Herbicides	
Other	Х

Hosing off outside areas to wash them down not only Other X consumes large quantities of water, but also transports any pollutants, sediments, and waste to the storm drain system. The pollution prevention activities outlined in this fact sheets are used to prevent the discharge of pollutants to the storm drain system.

Think before using water. Remember - The ocean starts at your front door.

#### Required Activities

- Irrigation systems must be properly adjusted to reflect seasonal water needs.
- Do not hose off outside surfaces to clean, sweep with a broom instead.

#### Recommended Activities

- Fix any leaking faucets and eliminate unnecessary water sources.
- Use xeroscaping and drought tolerant landscaping to reduce the watering needs.
- Do not over watering lawns or gardens. Over watering wastes water and promotes diseases.
- Use a bucket to re-soak sponges/rags while washing automobiles and other items outdoors. Use hose only for rinsing.
- Wash automobiles at a commercial car wash employing water recycling.



#### LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

The model procedures described below focus on minimizing the discharge of pesticides and fertilizers, landscape waste, trash, debris, and other pollutants to the storm drain system and receiving waters. Landscape maintenance practices may involve one or more of the following activities:

- 1. Mowing, Trimming/Weeding, and Planting
- 2. Irrigation
- 3. Fertilizer and Pesticide Management
- 4. Managing Landscape Waste
- 5. Erosion Control

#### **POLLUTION PREVENTION:**

Pollution prevention measures have been considered and incorporated in the model procedures. Implementation of these measures may be more effective and reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more complicated or costly procedures. Possible pollution prevention measures for landscape maintenance include:

- Implement an integrated pest management (IPM) program. IPM is a sustainable approach to managing pests by combining biological, cultural, physical, and chemical tools. Refer to Appendix D, Fertilizer and Pesticide Management Guidance for further details.
- Choose low water using flowers, trees, shrubs, and groundcover.
- Appropriate maintenance (i.e. properly timed fertilizing, weeding, pest control, and pruning) will
  preserve the landscapes water efficiency.
- Once per year, educate municipal staff on pollution prevention measures.

#### **MODEL PROCEDURES:**

#### 1. Mowing, Trimming/Weeding, and Planting

Mowing, Trimming/Weeding Whenever possible, use mechanical methods of vegetation removal rather than applying herbicides. Use hand weeding where practical.

- ✓ When conducting mechanical or manual weed control, avoid loosening the soil, which could erode into streams or storm drains.
- Use coarse textured mulches or geotextiles to suppress weed growth and reduce the use of herbicides.
- Do not blow or rake leaves, etc. into the street or place yard waste in gutters or on dirt shoulders. Sweep up any leaves, litter or residue in gutters or on street.
- Collect lawn and garden clippings, pruning waste, tree trimmings, and weeds. Chip if necessary, and compost or dispose of at a landfill (see waste management section of this procedure sheet).
- Place temporarily stockpiled material away from watercourses, and berm or cover stockpiles to prevent material releases to storm drains.

#### **Planting**

- ✓ Where feasible, retain and/or plant selected native vegetation whose features are determined to be beneficial. Native vegetation usually requires less maintenance (e.g., irrigation, fertilizer) than planting ornamental vegetation.
- ✓ When planting or replanting consider using low water use groundcovers.

#### OPTIONAL:

 Careful soil mixing and layering techniques using a topsoil mix or composted organic material can be used as an effective measure to reduce herbicide use and watering.

#### 2. Irrigation

- ✓ Utilize water delivery rates that do not exceed the infiltration rate of the soil.
- Use timers appropriately or a drip system to prevent runoff and then only irrigate as much as is needed.
- Inspect irrigation system periodically to ensure that the right amount of water is being applied and that excessive runoff is not occurring. Minimize excess watering, and repair leaks in the irrigation system as soon as they are observed.
- ✓ Where practical, use automatic timers to minimize runoff.
- ✓ Use popup sprinkler heads in areas with a lot of activity or where there is a chance the pipes may be broken. Consider the use of mechanisms that reduce water flow to sprinkler heads if broken.
- ✓ If re-claimed water is used for irrigation, ensure that there is no runoff from the landscaped area(s).
- If bailing of muddy water is required (e.g. when repairing a water line leak), do not put it in the storm drain; pour over landscaped areas.

#### 3. Fertilizer and Pesticide Management

#### Usage

- Utilize a comprehensive management system that incorporates integrated pest management techniques.
- Follow all federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the use, storage, and disposal of fertilizers and pesticides and training of applicators and pest control advisors.
- Educate and train employees on use of pesticides and in pesticide application techniques to prevent pollution.
- Pesticide application must be under the supervision of a California qualified pesticide applicator.
- ✓ When applicable use the least toxic pesticides that will do the job. Avoid use
  of copper-based pesticides if possible.
- Do not mix or prepare pesticides or fertilizers for application near storm drains.
- Prepare the minimum amount of pesticide needed for the job and use the lowest rate that will effectively control the pest.
- Employ techniques to minimize off-target application (e.g. spray drift) of pesticides, including consideration of alternative application techniques.
- Calibrate fertilizer and pesticide application equipment to avoid excessive application.
- ✓ Periodically test soils for determining proper fertilizer use.
- Sweep pavement and sidewalk if fertilizer is spilled on these surfaces before applying irrigation water.
- ✓ Inspect pesticide/fertilizer equipment and transportation vehicles daily.
- Refer to Appendix D for further guidance on Fertilizer and Pesticide management

#### OPTIONAL:

- Work fertilizers into the soil rather than dumping or broadcasting them onto the surface.
- Use beneficial insects where possible to control pests (green lacewings, ladybugs, praying mantis, ground beetles, parasitic nematodes, trichogramma wasps, seedhead weevils, and spiders prey on detrimental pest species).
- Use slow release fertilizers whenever possible to minimize leaching.

#### Scheduling

- ✓ Do not use pesticides if rain is expected within 24 hours.
- Apply pesticides only when wind speeds are low (less than 5 mph).

#### Disposal

- Purchase only the amount of pesticide that you can reasonably use in a given time period (month or year depending on the product).
- Triple rinse containers, and use rinse water as product. Dispose of unused pesticide as hazardous waste.
- Dispose of empty pesticide containers according to the instructions on the container label.

#### 4. Managing Landscape Waste

Also see Waste Handling and Disposal procedure sheet

- Compost leaves, sticks, or other collected vegetation or dispose of at a permitted landfill. Do not dispose of collected vegetation into waterways or storm drainage systems.
- Place temporarily stockpiled material away from watercourses and storm drain inlets, and berm or cover stockpiles to prevent material releases to the storm drain system.
- Reduce the use of high nitrogen fertilizers that produce excess growth requiring more frequent mowing or trimming.
- Inspection of drainage facilities should be conducted to detect illegal dumping of clippings/cuttings in or near these facilities. Materials found should be picked up and properly disposed of.
- ✓ Landscape wastes in and around storm drain inlets should be avoided by either using bagging equipment or by manually picking up the material.

#### Erosion Control

Also see Waste Handling and Disposal procedure sheet

- Maintain vegetative cover on medians and embankments to prevent soil erosion. Apply mulch or leave clippings to serve as additional cover for soil stabilization and to reduce the velocity of storm water runoff.
- Minimize the use of disking as a means of vegetation management because the practice may result in erodable barren soil.
- Confine excavated materials to pervious surfaces away from storm drain inlets, sidewalks, pavement, and ditches. Material must be covered if rain is expected.

#### LIMITATIONS:

Alternative pest/weed controls may not be available, suitable, or effective in every case.

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#### IC7. LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

#### Best Management Practices (BMPs)

A BMP is a technique, measure or structural control that is used for a given set of conditions to improve the quality of the stormwater runoff in a cost effective manner. The minimum required BMPs for this activity are outlined in the box to the right. Implementation of pollution prevention/good housekeeping measures may reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more costly or complicated procedures. Proper employee training is key to the success of BMP implementation.

The BMPs outlined in this fact sheet target the following pollutants:

Sediment	X
Nutrients	X
Floatable Materials	X
Metals	
Bacteria	X
Oil & Grease	
Organics & Toxicants	
Pesticides	X
Oxygen Demanding	×

#### MINIMUM BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

- Properly store and dispose of gardening wastes.
- Use mulch or other erosion control measures on exposed soils.
- Properly manage irrigation and runoff.
- Properly store and dispose of chemicals.
- Properly manage pesticide and herbicide use.
- Properly manage fertilizer use.

#### Stencil storm drains

#### Training

- Train employees on these BMPs, storm water discharge prohibitions, and wastewater discharge requirements.
- Provide on-going employee training in pollution prevention.

Provided below are specific procedures associated with each of the minimum BMPs along with procedures for additional BMPs that should be considered if this activity takes place at a facility located near a sensitive waterbody. In order to meet the requirements for medium and high priority facilities, the owners/operators must select, install and maintain appropriate BMPs on site. Since the selection of the appropriate BMPs is a site-specific process, the types and numbers of additional BMPs will vary for each facility.

- Take steps to reduce landscape maintenance requirements.
  - Where feasible, retain and/or plant native vegetation with features that are determined to be beneficial. Native vegetation usually requires less maintenance than planting new vegetation.
  - When planting or replanting consider using low water use flowers, trees, shrubs, and groundcovers.
  - Consider alternative landscaping techniques such as naturescaping and xeriscaping.
- 2. Properly store and dispose of gardening wastes.
  - Dispose of grass clippings, leaves, sticks, or other collected vegetation as garbage at a permitted landfill or by composting.
  - Do not dispose of gardening wastes in streets, waterways, or storm drainage systems.
  - Place temporarily stockpiled material away from watercourses and storm drain inlets, and berm and/or cover.
- Use mulch or other erosion control measures on exposed soils.

<sup>1</sup> EPA " Preliminary Data Summary of Urban Stormwater Best Management Practices"

#### 4. Properly manage irrigation and runoff.

- Irrigate slowly or pulse irrigate so the infiltration rate of the soil is not exceeded.
- Inspect irrigation system regularly for leaks and to ensure that excessive runoff is not occurring.
- If re-claimed water is used for irrigation, ensure that there is no runoff from the landscaped area(s).
- If bailing of muddy water is required (e.g. when repairing a water line leak), do not put it in the storm drain; pour over landscaped areas.
- Use automatic timers to minimize runoff.
- Use popup sprinkler heads in areas with a lot of activity or where pipes may be broken. Consider the use of mechanisms that reduce water flow to broken sprinkler heads.

#### 5. Properly store and dispose of chemicals.

- Implement storage requirements for pesticide products with guidance from the local fire department and/or County Agricultural Commissioner.
- Provide secondary containment for chemical storage.
- Dispose of empty containers according to the instructions on the container label.
- Triple rinse containers and use rinse water as product.

#### 6. Properly manage pesticide and herbicide use.

- Follow all federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the use, storage, and disposal of
  pesticides and herbicides and training of applicators and pest control advisors.
- Follow manufacturers' recommendations and label directions.
- Use pesticides only if there is an actual pest problem (not on a regular preventative schedule).
   When applicable use less toxic pesticides that will do the job. Avoid use of copper-based pesticides if possible. Use the minimum amount of chemicals needed for the job.
- Do not apply pesticides if rain is expected or if wind speeds are above 5 mph.
- Do not mix or prepare pesticides for application near storm drains. Prepare the minimum amount of
  pesticide needed for the job and use the lowest rate that will effectively control the targeted pest.
- Whenever possible, use mechanical methods of vegetation removal rather than applying herbicides.
   Use hand weeding where practical.
- Do not apply any chemicals directly to surface waters, unless the application is approved and permitted by the state. Do not spray pesticides within 100 feet of open waters.
- Employ techniques to minimize off-target application (e.g. spray drift) of pesticides, including consideration of alternative application techniques.
- When conducting mechanical or manual weed control, avoid loosening the soil, which could lead to
  erosion.
- Purchase only the amount of pesticide that you can reasonably use in a given time period.
- Careful soil mixing and layering techniques using a topsoil mix or composted organic material can be used as an effective measure to reduce herbicide use and watering.

#### 7. Properly manage fertilizer use.

- Follow all federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the use, storage, and disposal of fertilizers.
- Follow manufacturers' recommendations and label directions.
- Employ techniques to minimize off-target application (e.g. spray drift) of fertilizer, including
  consideration of alternative application techniques. Calibrate fertilizer distributors to avoid
  excessive application.
- Periodically test soils for determining proper fertilizer use.
- Fertilizers should be worked into the soil rather than dumped or broadcast onto the surface.
- Sweep pavement and sidewalk if fertilizer is spilled on these surfaces before applying irrigation water.
- Use slow release fertilizers whenever possible to minimize leaching

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- 8. Incorporate the following integrated pest management techniques where appropriate:
  - Mulching can be used to prevent weeds where turf is absent.
  - Remove insects by hand and place in soapy water or vegetable oil. Alternatively, remove insects with water or vacuum them off the plants.
  - Use species-specific traps (e.g. pheromone-based traps or colored sticky cards).
  - Sprinkle the ground surface with abrasive diatomaceous earth to prevent infestations by soft-bodied insects and slugs. Slugs also can be trapped in small cups filled with beer that are set in the ground so the slugs can get in easily.
  - In cases where microscopic parasites, such as bacteria and fungi, are causing damage to plants, the affected plant material can be removed and disposed of (pruning equipment should be disinfected with bleach to prevent spreading the disease organism).
  - Small mammals and birds can be excluded using fences, netting, and tree trunk guards.
  - Promote beneficial organisms, such as bats, birds, green lacewings, ladybugs, praying mantis, ground beetles, parasitic nematodes, trichogramma wasps, seedhead weevils, and spiders that prey on detrimental pest species.

#### Training

- Train employees on these BMPs, storm water discharge prohibitions, and wastewater discharge requirements.
- 2. Educate and train employees on the use of pesticides and pesticide application techniques.

  Only employees properly trained to use pesticides can apply them.
- 3. Train and encourage employees to use integrated pest management techniques.
- 4. Train employees on proper spill containment and cleanup.
  - Establish training that provides employees with the proper tools and knowledge to immediately begin cleaning up a spill.
  - Ensure that employees are familiar with the site's spill control plan and/or proper spill cleanup procedures.
  - BMP IC17 discusses Spill Prevention and Control in detail.
- 5. Establish a regular training schedule, train all new employees, and conduct annual refresher training.
- 6. Use a training log or similar method to document training.

#### Stencil storm drains

Storm drain system signs act as highly visible source controls that are typically stenciled directly adjacent to storm drain inlets. Stencils should read "No Dumping Drains to Ocean".

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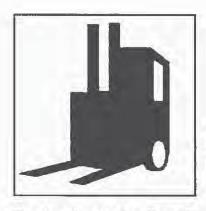
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### MATERIAL LOADING AND UNLOADING

The loading/unloading of materials usually takes place outside; therefore, materials spilled, leaked, or lost during loading/unloading have the potential to collect in the soil or on other surfaces and be carried away by runoff or when the area is cleaned. Additionally, rainfall may wash pollutants from machinery used to unload or move materials. Material loading and unloading involves the following activities:

#### POLLUTION PREVENTION:

Pollution prevention measures have been considered and incorporated in the model procedures. Implementation of these measures may be more effective and reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more complicated or costly procedures. Possible pollution prevention measures for material loading and unloading include:

- Check loading and unloading equipment regularly for leaks.
- Cover loading docks.
- Once per year, educate municipal staff on pollution prevention measures.

#### MODEL PROCEDURES:

#### **General Guidelines**

- Regularly clean work areas to remove materials such as debris, sandblasting material, etc.
- Design loading/unloading area to prevent stormwater runon that would include grading or berming the area, and positioning roof downspouts so they direct stormwater away from loading/unloading areas.
- ✓ Use overhangs or door skirts that enclose the trailer.
- Park tank trucks or delivery vehicles so that spills or leaks can be contained.
- Avoid loading and exposing materials during rain events unless the loading dock is covered and protected from rain. A seal or door skirt between the trailer and the building may also prevent exposure to rain.
- Shipboard cooling and process water discharges should be directed to minimize contact with spent abrasives, paint, and other debris.

#### Tank truck transfers

- ✓ The area where the transfer takes place should be paved. If the liquid is reactive with the asphalt, Portland cement should be used to pave the area.
- Transfer area should be designed to prevent runon of stormwater from adjacent areas. Sloping the pad and using a berm around the uphill side of the transfer area should reduce runon.
- ✓ Transfer area should be designed to prevent runoff of spilled liquids from the area. Sloping the area to a drain should prevent runoff. The drain should be connected to a dead-end sump. A positive control valve should be installed on the drain.

#### **Spill Control**

✓ Contain leaks during transfer.

Also see Spill Prevention and Control procedures sheet

- Use drip pans under hoses.
- ✓ Have an emergency spill cleanup plan readily available.
- ✓ Place spill kits and materials next to or near each loading/unloading area.
- Use drip pans or comparable devices when transferring oils, solvents, and paints.

#### **Training**

- ✓ Make sure forklift operators are properly trained.
- ✓ Train employees regarding spill containment and cleanup.
- Employees trained in spill containment and cleanup should be present during the loading/unloading.
- Use a written operations plan that describes procedures for loading and/or unloading.

#### Inspection

Check loading and unloading equipment regularly for leaks, including valves, pumps, flanges and connections.

Also see Spill Prevention and Control procedures sheet

- ✓ Inspect regularly for leaking valves, pipes, hoses, or soil chutes carrying either water or wastewater.
- ✓ Look for dust or fumes during loading or unloading operations.

#### LIMITATIONS:

Space and time limitations may preclude all transfers from being performed indoors or under cover. It may not be possible to conduct transfers only during dry weather.

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### ROADS, STREETS, AND HIGHWAYS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Streets, roads, and highways are significant sources of pollutants in storm water discharges, and operation and maintenance (O&M) practices, if not conducted properly, can contribute to the problem. O&M practices may involve one or more of the following activities:

- 1. Sweeping & Cleaning
- 2. Street Repair & Maintenance
- 3. Bridge and Structure Maintenance

Streets, roads, and highways are significant sources of pollutants in storm water discharges, and operation and maintenance (O&M) practices, if not conducted properly, can contribute to the problem. O&M practices may involve one or more of the following activities:

Pollution prevention measures that should be consider and the minimum required and optional model procedures for each performance standard are provided below.

#### POLLUTION PREVENTION:

Pollution prevention measures have been considered and incorporated in the model procedures. Implementation of these measures may be more effective and reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more complicated or costly procedures. Possible pollution prevention measure for roads, streets, and highways operation and maintenance include:

- Use the least toxic materials available (e.g. water based paints, gels or sprays for graffiti removal)
- Recycle paint and other materials whenever possible.
- Once per year, educate municipal staff on pollution prevention measures.

#### **MODEL PROCEDURES:**

#### Sweeping & Cleaning

#### Sweeping Frequency and Timing

- Maintain a consistent sweeping schedule. Provide minimum monthly sweeping of streets.
- ✓ Perform street cleaning during dry weather if possible.
- ✓ Avoid wet cleaning or flushing of streets, and utilize dry methods where possible.
- If flushing of a street is absolutely necessary, sweep and remove debris before flushing. Do not let wash water enter storm drain inlets. Collect wash water and direct to a dirt or vegetated area, pump into a vacuum truck and dispose of properly.

#### OPTIONAL:

 Consider increasing sweeping frequency based on factors such as traffic volume, land use, field observations of sediment and trash accumulation, proximity to water courses, etc.

#### Equipment Operation and Selection

- → Note: Permission must be obtained for any discharge of wash water to the sanitary sewer from the local sewering agency.
- Maintain cleaning equipment in good working condition and purchase replacement equipment as needed. Old sweepers should be replaced as needed with new technologically advanced sweepers (preferably regenerative air sweepers) that maximize pollutant removal.
- ✓ Operate sweepers at manufacturer requested optimal speed levels to increase effectiveness.
- Clean sweepers at a wash rack that drains to the sanitary sewer. The wash rack area should be covered and bermed and wash water should drain to a clarifier prior to entering the sanitary sewer.
- Regularly inspect vehicles and equipment for leaks, and repair immediately.

#### OPTIONAL:

 If available use vacuum or regenerative air sweepers in the high sediment and trash areas (typically industrial/commercial).

#### Management of Material Removed by Sweeping

- Dispose of street sweeping debris and dirt at a landfill.
- Do not store swept material along the side of the street or near a storm drain inlet.
- If dewatering of saturated materials is necessary it should be conducted in a designated area away from storm drain inlets and the water contained for proper disposal.

→ Note: Permission must be obtained for any discharge of wash water to the sanitary sewer from the local sewering agency.

#### Maximize Access for Sweepers

- If authorized by the local sanitation agency, water may be discharged to the sanitary sewer only after passing through a clarifier. As an alternative, dewatering can be conducted in a containment area in which saturated materials are placed on a tarp and allowed to dry. Dry debris is then disposed of properly.
- Keep debris storage to a minimum during the wet season or make sure debris piles are contained (e.g. by berming the area) or covered (e.g. with tarps or permanent covers).
- ✓ Keep accurate operation logs to track program.
- ✓ Properly maintain and operate equipment; which will increase efficiency.
- ✓ Sweeping should be conducted as close to the curb line as possible.

#### OPTIONAL:

- Institute a parking policy to restrict parking in problematic areas during periods of street sweeping.
- Post permanent street sweeping signs in problematic areas; use temporary signs if installation of permanent signs is not possible.
- Develop and distribute flyers notifying residents of street sweeping schedules.

#### 2. Repair and Maintenance

#### **Pavement Marking**

- Develop paint handling procedures for proper use, storage, and disposal of paints.
- ✓ Transfer and load paint and hot thermoplastic away from storm drain inlets.
- ✓ Street or hand sweep thermoplastic grindings. Yellow thermoplastic grindings may require special handling as they may contain lead.
- Replace paints containing lead and tributyltin with less toxic alternatives.
- Use water based paints. Clean application equipment in a sink that is connected to the sanitary sewer.
- ✓ Properly store leftover paints if they are to be kept for the next job, or dispose of properly.
- See Spill Control procedure sheetfor guidance on the proper cleanup of paint spills.

#### Concrete Installation and Repair

- Avoid mixing excess amounts of fresh concrete or cement mortar on-site. Only mix what is needed for the job.
- Wash concrete trucks off site or in designated areas on site, such that there is no discharge of concrete wash water into storm drain inlets, open ditches, streets, or other stormwater conveyance structures.

- ✓ Store concrete materials under cover, away from drainage areas.
- Return leftover materials to the transit mixer. Dispose of small amounts of hardened excess concrete, grout, and mortar in the trash.
- Do not wash sweepings from exposed aggregate concrete into the street or storm drain. Collect and return sweepings to aggregate base stockpile, or dispose in the trash.
- When washing poured concrete areas to remove fine particles and expose the aggregate, contain the wash water for proper disposal; do not discharge water to the storm drain system.
- ✓ Do not allow excess concrete to be dumped on-site, except in designated areas.
- Apply concrete, asphalt, and seal coat during dry weather to allow the material to adequately dry prior to a rain event.
- ✓ When making saw cuts in pavement, use as little water as possible and perform during dry weather. Cover each nearby or appropriate storm drain inlet completely with filter fabric or plastic during the sawing operation and contain the slurry by placing straw bales, sandbags, or gravel dams around the inlets. After the liquid drains or evaporates, shovel or vacuum the slurry residue from the pavement or gutter and remove from site. Alternatively, a small on-site vacuum may be used to pick up the slurry as this will prohibit slurry from reaching storm drain inlets.

#### Patching, Resurfacing, and Surface Sealing

- Pre-heat, transfer or load hot bituminous material away from storm drain inlets.
- Apply concrete, asphalt, and seal coat during dry weather to allow the material to adequately dry prior to a rain event.
- ✓ Where applicable, cover and seal each nearby or appropriate storm drain inlet (with waterproof material, plastic or mesh) and maintenance holes before applying seal coat, slurry seal, etc. Leave covers in place until job is complete and until all water from emulsified oil sealants has drained or evaporated. Clean any debris from covered man holes and storm drain inlets when the job is complete.
- ✓ Use only as much water as necessary for dust control, to avoid runoff.
- Catch drips from paving equipment that is not in use with pans or absorbent material placed under the machines. Dispose of collected material and absorbents properly.
- Prior to a rain event or at the completion of a project, sweep the project area by hand or with a street sweeper.

#### Equipment Cleaning, Maintenance, and Storage

Also see Equipment Repair & Maintenance procedure sheet.

Clean equipment including sprayers, sprayer paint supply lines, patch and paving equipment, and mudjacking equipment at the end of each day. If equipment can be cleaned and materials reapplied at the job site, do so in compliance with the laws and regulations. Clean in a sink or other area (e.g. vehicle wash area) that is connected to the sanitary sewer.

- → Note: Permission must be obtained for any discharge of wash water to the sanitary sewer from the local sewering agency.
- If refueling or repairing vehicles and equipment must be done on-site, conduct the activity away from storm drain inlets and watercourses.
- ✓ Place drip pans or absorbent materials under heavy equipment when not in
  use
- Clean paint brushes and tools covered with water-based paints in sinks connected to sanitary sewers. Brushes and tools covered with non-waterbased paints, finishes, or other materials must be cleaned in a manner that enables collection of used solvents (e.g., paint thinner, turpentine, etc.) for recycling or proper disposal.

#### OPTIONAL:

- Conduct cleaning at a corporation or maintenance yard if possible.
- When practical, perform major equipment repairs at the corporation yard.
- In addition to the procedures above, review and apply general procedures outlined for Minor Construction activities when conducting street, road, and highway repair and maintenance activities.

#### 3. Bridge and Structure Maintenance

#### Painting and Paint Removal

- Transport paint and materials to and from job sites in containers with secure lids and tied down to the transport vehicle.
- ✓ Do not transfer or load paint near storm drain inlets or watercourses.
- ✓ Test and inspect spray equipment prior to starting to paint. Tighten all hoses and connections and do not overfill paint container.
- If sand blasting is used to remove paint, cover nearby storm drain inlets prior to starting work.
- ✓ If the bridge crosses a watercourse, perform work on a maintenance traveler or platform, or use suspended netting or tarps to capture paint, rust, paint removing agents, or other materials, to prevent discharge of materials to surface waters. If sanding, use a sander with a vacuum filter bag.
- Recycle paint when possible (e.g. paint may be used for graffiti removal activities). Dispose of paint at an appropriate household hazardous waste facility.
- See Spill Control procedure sheet for guidance on the proper cleanup of paint spills.

#### Graffiti Removal

- ✓ Avoid graffiti abatement activities during rain events.
- ✓ Protect nearby storm drain inlets prior to removing graffiti from walls, signs, sidewalks, or other structures needing graffiti abatement. Clean up

- afterwards by sweeping or vacuuming thoroughly, and/or by using absorbent and properly disposing of the absorbent.
- ✓ Note that care should be taken when disposing of waste since it may need
  to be disposed of as hazardous waste.
- ✓ When graffiti is removed by painting over, implement the procedures under Painting and Paint Removal above.
- Direct runoff from sand blasting and high pressure washing (with no cleaning agents) into a landscaped or dirt area.
- If a graffiti abatement method generates wash water containing a cleaning compound (such as high pressure washing with a cleaning compound), plug nearby storm drains and collect wash water and dispose of properly.

#### OPTIONAL:

 Consider using a waterless and non-toxic chemical cleaning method for graffiti removal (e.g. gels or spray compounds).

#### Guardrail and Fence Repair

- ✓ When cleaning guardrails or fences follow the appropriate surface cleaning methods (depending on the type of surface) outlined in the Sidewalk, Plaza, and Fountain Maintenance and Cleaning procedure sheet.
- ✓ If painting is conducted, follow the Painting and Paint Removal procedures above.
- ✓ If graffiti removal is conducted, follow the Graffiti Removal procedures above.
- ✓ If construction takes place, see the procedure sheet for Minor Construction.
- Recycle materials whenever possible.

#### LIMITATIONS:

Limitations related to street sweeping may include high equipment costs, the potential inability to restrict parking in urban areas, the need for sweeper operator training, the inability of current sweeper technology to remove oil and grease, and the lack of scientific evidence regarding the expected levels of pollutant removal.

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### WATER AND SEWER UTILITY OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Although the operation and maintenance of public utilities are not considered themselves a chronic source of stormwater pollution, some activities and accidents can result in the discharge of pollutants that can pose a threat to both human health and the quality of receiving waters if they enter the storm drain system. Activities associated with the operation and maintenance of water and sewer utilities to prevent and handle such incidents include the following:

- 1. Water Line Maintenance
- 2. Sanitary Sewer Maintenance
- 3. Spill/Leak/Overflow Control, Response, and Containment

Cities that do not provide maintenance of water and sewer utilities should coordinate with the contracting agency responsible for these activities and ensure that these model procedures are followed.

#### POLLUTION PREVENTION:

Pollution prevention measures have been considered and incorporated in the model procedures. Implementation of these measures may be more effective and reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more complicated or costly procedures. Possible pollution prevention measures for water and sewer utility operation and maintenance include:

- Inspect potential non-storm water discharge flow paths and clear/cleanup any debris or pollutants found (i.e. remove trash, leaves, sediment, and wipe up liquids, including oil spills).
- Once per year, educate municipal staff on pollution prevention measures.

#### **MODEL PROCEDURES:**

#### Water Line Maintenance

Procedures can be employed to reduce pollutants from discharges associated with water utility operation and maintenance activities. Planned discharges may include fire hydrant testing, flushing water supply mains after new construction, flushing lines due to complaints of taste and odor, dewatering mains for maintenance work. Unplanned discharges from treated, recycled water, raw water, and groundwater systems operation and maintenance activities can occur from water main breaks, sheared fire hydrants, equipment malfunction, and operator error.

#### Planned Discharges

- ✓ For planned discharges use one of the following options:
  - Reuse water for dust suppression, irrigation, or construction compaction
  - Discharge to the sanitary sewer system with approval
  - Discharge to the storm drain system or to a creek using applicable
    pollution control measures listed below (this option is ONLY
    applicable to uncontaminated pumped ground water, water line
    flushing, fire hydrant testing and flushing, discharges from potable
    water sources other than water main breaks) and may require a
    permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board.
- ✓ If water is discharged to a storm drain inlet (catch basin), control measures must be put in place to control potential pollutants (i.e. sediment, chlorine, etc.). Examples of some storm drain inlet protection options include:
  - Silt fence appropriate where the inlet drains a relatively flat area.
  - Gravel and wire mesh sediment filter Appropriate where concentrated flows are expected.
  - Wooden weir and fabric use at curb inlets where a compact installation is desired.
- Prior to discharge, inspect discharge flow path and clear/cleanup any debris or pollutants found (i.e. remove trash, leaves, sediment, and wipe up liquids, including oil spills).
- Select appropriate pollution control measure(s) considering the receiving system (i.e. curb inlet, drop inlet, culvert, creek, etc.) and ensure that the control device(s) fit properly.

- General design considerations for inlet protection devices include the following:
  - The device should be constructed such that cleaning and disposal of trapped sediment is made easy, while minimizing interference with discharge activities.
  - Devices should be constructed so that any standing water resulting from the discharge will not cause excessive inconvenience or flooding/damage to adjacent land or structures.
- ✓ The effectiveness of control devices must be monitored during the discharge period and any necessary repairs or modifications made as needed.

#### OPTIONAL:

 Sediment removal may be enhanced by placing filter fabric, gravel bags, etc. at storm drain inlets.

#### **Unplanned Discharges**

- Stop the discharge as quickly as possible by turning off water source.
- ✓ Inspect flow path of the discharged water:
  - Control erosion along the flow path.
  - Identify areas that may produce significant sediment or gullies, use sandbags to redirect the flow.
  - Identify erodible areas which may need to be repaired or protected during subsequent repairs or corrective actions
- If repairs or corrective action will cause additional discharges of water, select the appropriate procedures for erosion control, chlorine residual, turbidity, and chemical additives. Prevent potential pollutants from entering the flow path and ensure that no additional discharged water enters storm drain inlets.

#### 2. Sanitary Sewer Maintenance

Applicable to municipalities who own and operated a sewage collection system. Facilities that are covered under this program include sanitary sewer pipes and pump stations owned and operated by the Permittee. The owner of the sanitary sewer facilities is the entity responsible for carrying out this prevention and response program.

#### Sewer System Cleaning

- Sewer lines should be cleaned on a regular basis to remove grease, grit, and other debris that may lead to sewer backups.
- Establish routine maintenance program. Cleaning should be conducted at an established minimum frequency and more frequently for problem areas such as restaurants that are identified
- Cleaning activities may require removal of tree roots and other identified obstructions.

#### Preventative and Corrective Maintenance

- During routine maintenance and inspection note the condition of sanitary sewer structures and identify areas that need repair or maintenance. Items to note may include the following:
  - cracked/deteriorating pipes
  - leaking joints/seals at manhole
  - frequent line plugs
  - line generally flows at or near capacity
  - suspected infiltration or exfiltration
- Document suggestions and requests for repair and report the information to the appropriate manager or supervisor.
- Prioritize repairs based on the nature and severity of the problem. Immediate clearing of blockage or repair is required where an overflow is currently occurring or for urgent problems that may cause an imminent overflow (e.g. pump station failures, sewer line ruptures, sewer line blockages). These repairs may be temporary until scheduled or capital improvements can be completed.
- Review previous sewer maintenance records to help identify "hot spots" or areas with frequent maintenance problems and locations of potential system failure.

#### 3. Spill/Leak/Overflow Control, Response, and Containment

#### Control

Also see Drainage System procedures sheet

- ✓ Refer to countywide Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program.

  Components of this program include:
  - Investigation/inspection and follow-up
  - Elimination of illicit discharges and connections
  - Enforcement of ordinances
  - Respond to sewage spills

 Facilitate public reporting of illicit discharges and connections. A citizen's hotline for reporting observed overflow conditions should be established to supplement the field screening efforts being conducted by the Principal Permittee.

#### Response and Containment

- Establish lead department/agency responsible for spill response and containment. Provide coordination within departments.
- When a spill, leak, and/or overflow occurs, keep sewage from entering the storm drain system to the maximum extent practicable by covering or blocking storm drain inlets or by containing and diverting the sewage away from open channels and other storm drain facilities (using sandbags, inflatable dams, etc.).
- ✓ If a spill reaches the storm drain notify County of Orange Health Care Agency through Control One at (714) 628-7208.
- Remove the sewage using vacuum equipment or use other measures to divert it back to the sanitary sewer system.
- Record required information at the spill site.
- ✓ Perform field tests as necessary to determine the source of the spill.
- Develop additional notification procedures regarding spill reporting as needed.

#### LIMITATIONS:

Private property access rights needed to perform testing along storm drain right-of-ways. Requirements of municipal ordinance authority for suspected source verification testing necessary for guaranteed rights of entry.

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#### IC7. LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

### Best Management Practices (BMPs)

A BMP is a technique, measure or structural control that is used for a given set of conditions to improve the quality of the stormwater runoff in a cost effective manner<sup>1</sup>. The minimum required BMPs for this activity are outlined in the box to the right. Implementation of pollution prevention/good housekeeping measures may reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more costly or complicated procedures. Proper employee training is key to the success of BMP implementation.

The BMPs outlined in this fact sheet target the following pollutants:

Sediment	X
Nutrients	X
Floatable Materials	X
Metals	
Bacteria	X
Oil & Grease	
Organics & Toxicants	-
Pesticides	X
Oxygen Demanding	X

# MINIMUM BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

- Properly store and dispose of gardening wastes.
- Use mulch or other erosion control measures on exposed soils.
- Properly manage irrigation and runoff.
- Properly store and dispose of chemicals.
- Properly manage pesticide and herbicide use.
- Properly manage fertilizer use.

#### Stencil storm drains

#### Training

- Train employees on these BMPs, storm water discharge prohibitions, and wastewater discharge requirements.
- Provide on-going employee training in pollution prevention.

Provided below are specific procedures associated with each of the minimum BMPs along with procedures for additional BMPs that should be considered if this activity takes place at a facility located near a sensitive waterbody. In order to meet the requirements for medium and high priority facilities, the owners/operators must select, install and maintain appropriate BMPs on site. Since the selection of the appropriate BMPs is a site-specific process, the types and numbers of additional BMPs will vary for each facility.

- Take steps to reduce landscape maintenance requirements.
  - Where feasible, retain and/or plant native vegetation with features that are determined to be beneficial. Native vegetation usually requires less maintenance than planting new vegetation.
  - When planting or replanting consider using low water use flowers, trees, shrubs, and groundcovers.
  - Consider alternative landscaping techniques such as naturescaping and xeriscaping.
- 2. Properly store and dispose of gardening wastes.
  - Dispose of grass clippings, leaves, sticks, or other collected vegetation as garbage at a permitted landfill or by composting.
  - Do not dispose of gardening wastes in streets, waterways, or storm drainage systems.
  - Place temporarily stockpiled material away from watercourses and storm drain inlets, and berm and/or cover.
- Use mulch or other erosion control measures on exposed soils.

<sup>1</sup> EPA " Preliminary Data Summary of Urban Stormwater Best Management Practices"

# 4. Properly manage irrigation and runoff.

- Irrigate slowly or pulse irrigate so the infiltration rate of the soil is not exceeded.
- Inspect irrigation system regularly for leaks and to ensure that excessive runoff is not occurring.
- If re-claimed water is used for irrigation, ensure that there is no runoff from the landscaped area(s).
- If bailing of muddy water is required (e.g. when repairing a water line leak), do not put it in the storm drain; pour over landscaped areas.
- Use automatic timers to minimize runoff.
- Use popup sprinkler heads in areas with a lot of activity or where pipes may be broken. Consider the use of mechanisms that reduce water flow to broken sprinkler heads.

# 5. Properly store and dispose of chemicals.

- Implement storage requirements for pesticide products with guidance from the local fire department and/or County Agricultural Commissioner.
- Provide secondary containment for chemical storage.
- Dispose of empty containers according to the instructions on the container label.
- Triple rinse containers and use rinse water as product.

#### 6. Properly manage pesticide and herbicide use.

- Follow all federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the use, storage, and disposal of pesticides and herbicides and training of applicators and pest control advisors.
- Follow manufacturers' recommendations and label directions.
- Use pesticides only if there is an actual pest problem (not on a regular preventative schedule).
   When applicable use less toxic pesticides that will do the job. Avoid use of copper-based pesticides if possible. Use the minimum amount of chemicals needed for the job.
- Do not apply pesticides if rain is expected or if wind speeds are above 5 mph.
- Do not mix or prepare pesticides for application near storm drains. Prepare the minimum amount of
  pesticide needed for the job and use the lowest rate that will effectively control the targeted pest.
- Whenever possible, use mechanical methods of vegetation removal rather than applying herbicides.
   Use hand weeding where practical.
- Do not apply any chemicals directly to surface waters, unless the application is approved and permitted by the state. Do not spray pesticides within 100 feet of open waters.
- Employ techniques to minimize off-target application (e.g. spray drift) of pesticides, including consideration of alternative application techniques.
- When conducting mechanical or manual weed control, avoid loosening the soil, which could lead to
  erosion.
- Purchase only the amount of pesticide that you can reasonably use in a given time period.
- Careful soil mixing and layering techniques using a topsoil mix or composted organic material can be used as an effective measure to reduce herbicide use and watering.

#### 7. Properly manage fertilizer use.

- Follow all federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the use, storage, and disposal of fertilizers.
- Follow manufacturers' recommendations and label directions.
- Employ techniques to minimize off-target application (e.g. spray drift) of fertilizer, including consideration of alternative application techniques. Calibrate fertilizer distributors to avoid excessive application.
- Periodically test soils for determining proper fertilizer use.
- Fertilizers should be worked into the soil rather than dumped or broadcast onto the surface.
- Sweep pavement and sidewalk if fertilizer is spilled on these surfaces before applying irrigation
- Use slow release fertilizers whenever possible to minimize leaching

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- 8. Incorporate the following integrated pest management techniques where appropriate:
  - Mulching can be used to prevent weeds where turf is absent.
  - Remove insects by hand and place in soapy water or vegetable oil. Alternatively, remove insects with water or vacuum them off the plants.
  - Use species-specific traps (e.g. pheromone-based traps or colored sticky cards).
  - Sprinkle the ground surface with abrasive diatomaceous earth to prevent infestations by soft-bodied insects and slugs. Slugs also can be trapped in small cups filled with beer that are set in the ground so the slugs can get in easily.
  - In cases where microscopic parasites, such as bacteria and fungi, are causing damage to plants, the affected plant material can be removed and disposed of (pruning equipment should be disinfected with bleach to prevent spreading the disease organism).
  - Small mammals and birds can be excluded using fences, netting, and tree trunk guards.
  - Promote beneficial organisms, such as bats, birds, green lacewings, ladybugs, praying mantis, ground beetles, parasitic nematodes, trichogramma wasps, seedhead weevils, and spiders that prey on detrimental pest species.

#### Training

- 1. Train employees on these BMPs, storm water discharge prohibitions, and wastewater discharge requirements.
- 2. Educate and train employees on the use of pesticides and pesticide application techniques. Only employees properly trained to use pesticides can apply them.
- 3. Train and encourage employees to use integrated pest management techniques.
- 4. Train employees on proper spill containment and cleanup.
  - Establish training that provides employees with the proper tools and knowledge to immediately begin cleaning up a spill.
  - Ensure that employees are familiar with the site's spill control plan and/or proper spill cleanup procedures.
  - BMP IC17 discusses Spill Prevention and Control in detail.
- 5. Establish a regular training schedule, train all new employees, and conduct annual refresher training.
- 6. Use a training log or similar method to document training.

#### Stencil storm drains

Storm drain system signs act as highly visible source controls that are typically stenciled directly adjacent to storm drain inlets. Stencils should read "No Dumping Drains to Ocean".

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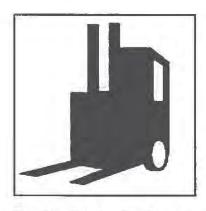
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# MATERIAL LOADING AND UNLOADING

The loading/unloading of materials usually takes place outside; therefore, materials spilled, leaked, or lost during loading/unloading have the potential to collect in the soil or on other surfaces and be carried away by runoff or when the area is cleaned. Additionally, rainfall may wash pollutants from machinery used to unload or move materials. Material loading and unloading involves the following activities:

#### POLLUTION PREVENTION:

Pollution prevention measures have been considered and incorporated in the model procedures. Implementation of these measures may be more effective and reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more complicated or costly procedures. Possible pollution prevention measures for material loading and unloading include:

- Check loading and unloading equipment regularly for leaks.
- Cover loading docks.
- Once per year, educate municipal staff on pollution prevention measures.

#### MODEL PROCEDURES:

#### General Guidelines

- Regularly clean work areas to remove materials such as debris, sandblasting material, etc.
- Design loading/unloading area to prevent stormwater runon that would include grading or berming the area, and positioning roof downspouts so they direct stormwater away from loading/unloading areas.
- ✓ Use overhangs or door skirts that enclose the trailer.
- Park tank trucks or delivery vehicles so that spills or leaks can be contained.
- Avoid loading and exposing materials during rain events unless the loading dock is covered and protected from rain. A seal or door skirt between the trailer and the building may also prevent exposure to rain.
- Shipboard cooling and process water discharges should be directed to minimize contact with spent abrasives, paint, and other debris.

#### Tank truck transfers

- ✓ The area where the transfer takes place should be paved. If the liquid is reactive with the asphalt, Portland cement should be used to pave the area.
- Transfer area should be designed to prevent runon of stormwater from adjacent areas. Sloping the pad and using a berm around the uphill side of the transfer area should reduce runon.
- ✓ Transfer area should be designed to prevent runoff of spilled liquids from the area. Sloping the area to a drain should prevent runoff. The drain should be connected to a dead-end sump. A positive control valve should be installed on the drain.

# **Spill Control**

Also see Spill Prevention and Control procedures sheet

- ✓ Contain leaks during transfer.
- ✓ Use drip pans under hoses.
- ✓ Have an emergency spill cleanup plan readily available.
- ✓ Place spill kits and materials next to or near each loading/unloading area.
- Use drip pans or comparable devices when transferring oils, solvents, and paints.

#### **Training**

- ✓ Make sure forklift operators are properly trained.
- ✓ Train employees regarding spill containment and cleanup.
- Employees trained in spill containment and cleanup should be present during the loading/unloading.
- Use a written operations plan that describes procedures for loading and/or unloading.

#### Inspection

Also see Spill Prevention and Control procedures sheet

- Check loading and unloading equipment regularly for leaks, including valves, pumps, flanges and connections.
- Inspect regularly for leaking valves, pipes, hoses, or soil chutes carrying either water or wastewater.
- ✓ Look for dust or fumes during loading or unloading operations.

# LIMITATIONS:

Space and time limitations may preclude all transfers from being performed indoors or under cover. It may not be possible to conduct transfers only during dry weather.

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# ROADS, STREETS, AND HIGHWAYS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Streets, roads, and highways are significant sources of pollutants in storm water discharges, and operation and maintenance (O&M) practices, if not conducted properly, can contribute to the problem. O&M practices may involve one or more of the following activities:

- 1. Sweeping & Cleaning
- 2. Street Repair & Maintenance
- 3. Bridge and Structure Maintenance

Streets, roads, and highways are significant sources of pollutants in storm water discharges, and operation and maintenance (O&M) practices, if not conducted properly, can contribute to the problem. O&M practices may involve one or more of the following activities:

Pollution prevention measures that should be consider and the minimum required and optional model procedures for each performance standard are provided below.

# POLLUTION PREVENTION:

Pollution prevention measures have been considered and incorporated in the model procedures. Implementation of these measures may be more effective and reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more complicated or costly procedures. Possible pollution prevention measure for roads, streets, and highways operation and maintenance include:

Use the least toxic materials available (e.g. water based paints, gels or sprays for graffiti removal)

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- Recycle paint and other materials whenever possible.
- Once per year, educate municipal staff on pollution prevention measures.

# **MODEL PROCEDURES:**

# Sweeping & Cleaning

# Sweeping Frequency and Timing

- Maintain a consistent sweeping schedule. Provide minimum monthly sweeping of streets.
- ✓ Perform street cleaning during dry weather if possible.
- ✓ Avoid wet cleaning or flushing of streets, and utilize dry methods where possible.
- If flushing of a street is absolutely necessary, sweep and remove debris before flushing. Do not let wash water enter storm drain inlets. Collect wash water and direct to a dirt or vegetated area, pump into a vacuum truck and dispose of properly.

#### OPTIONAL:

 Consider increasing sweeping frequency based on factors such as traffic volume, land use, field observations of sediment and trash accumulation, proximity to water courses, etc.

### Equipment Operation and Selection

- → Note: Permission must be obtained for any discharge of wash water to the sanitary sewer from the local sewering agency.
- Maintain cleaning equipment in good working condition and purchase replacement equipment as needed. Old sweepers should be replaced as needed with new technologically advanced sweepers (preferably regenerative air sweepers) that maximize pollutant removal.
- ✓ Operate sweepers at manufacturer requested optimal speed levels to increase effectiveness.
- Clean sweepers at a wash rack that drains to the sanitary sewer. The wash rack area should be covered and bermed and wash water should drain to a clarifier prior to entering the sanitary sewer.
- Regularly inspect vehicles and equipment for leaks, and repair immediately.

#### OPTIONAL:

 If available use vacuum or regenerative air sweepers in the high sediment and trash areas (typically industrial/commercial).

# Management of Material Removed by Sweeping

- Dispose of street sweeping debris and dirt at a landfill.
- Do not store swept material along the side of the street or near a storm drain inlet.
- If dewatering of saturated materials is necessary it should be conducted in a designated area away from storm drain inlets and the water contained for proper disposal.

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# Maximize Access for Sweepers

- If authorized by the local sanitation agency, water may be discharged to the sanitary sewer only after passing through a clarifier. As an alternative, dewatering can be conducted in a containment area in which saturated materials are placed on a tarp and allowed to dry. Dry debris is then disposed of properly.
- Keep debris storage to a minimum during the wet season or make sure debris piles are contained (e.g. by berming the area) or covered (e.g. with tarps or permanent covers).
- ✓ Keep accurate operation logs to track program.
- Properly maintain and operate equipment; which will increase efficiency.
- ✓ Sweeping should be conducted as close to the curb line as possible.

#### OPTIONAL:

- Institute a parking policy to restrict parking in problematic areas during periods of street sweeping.
- Post permanent street sweeping signs in problematic areas; use temporary signs if installation of permanent signs is not possible.
- Develop and distribute flyers notifying residents of street sweeping schedules.

# 2. Repair and Maintenance

### **Pavement Marking**

- Develop paint handling procedures for proper use, storage, and disposal of paints.
- ✓ Transfer and load paint and hot thermoplastic away from storm drain inlets.
- Street or hand sweep thermoplastic grindings. Yellow thermoplastic grindings may require special handling as they may contain lead.
- Replace paints containing lead and tributyltin with less toxic alternatives.
- Use water based paints. Clean application equipment in a sink that is connected to the sanitary sewer.
- Properly store leftover paints if they are to be kept for the next job, or dispose of properly.
- See Spill Control procedure sheetfor guidance on the proper cleanup of paint spills.

# Concrete Installation and Repair

- Avoid mixing excess amounts of fresh concrete or cement mortar on-site. Only mix what is needed for the job.
- Wash concrete trucks off site or in designated areas on site, such that there is no discharge of concrete wash water into storm drain inlets, open ditches, streets, or other stormwater conveyance structures.

- Store concrete materials under cover, away from drainage areas.
- Return leftover materials to the transit mixer. Dispose of small amounts of hardened excess concrete, grout, and mortar in the trash.
- Do not wash sweepings from exposed aggregate concrete into the street or storm drain. Collect and return sweepings to aggregate base stockpile, or dispose in the trash.
- When washing poured concrete areas to remove fine particles and expose the aggregate, contain the wash water for proper disposal; do not discharge water to the storm drain system.
- ✓ Do not allow excess concrete to be dumped on-site, except in designated areas
- Apply concrete, asphalt, and seal coat during dry weather to allow the material to adequately dry prior to a rain event.
- When making saw cuts in pavement, use as little water as possible and perform during dry weather. Cover each nearby or appropriate storm drain inlet completely with filter fabric or plastic during the sawing operation and contain the slurry by placing straw bales, sandbags, or gravel dams around the inlets. After the liquid drains or evaporates, shovel or vacuum the slurry residue from the pavement or gutter and remove from site. Alternatively, a small on-site vacuum may be used to pick up the slurry as this will prohibit slurry from reaching storm drain inlets.

# Patching, Resurfacing, and Surface Sealing

- Pre-heat, transfer or load hot bituminous material away from storm drain inlets.
- Apply concrete, asphalt, and seal coat during dry weather to allow the material to adequately dry prior to a rain event.
- ✓ Where applicable, cover and seal each nearby or appropriate storm drain inlet (with waterproof material, plastic or mesh) and maintenance holes before applying seal coat, slurry seal, etc. Leave covers in place until job is complete and until all water from emulsified oil sealants has drained or evaporated. Clean any debris from covered man holes and storm drain inlets when the job is complete.
- ✓ Use only as much water as necessary for dust control, to avoid runoff.
- Catch drips from paving equipment that is not in use with pans or absorbent material placed under the machines. Dispose of collected material and absorbents properly.
- Prior to a rain event or at the completion of a project, sweep the project area by hand or with a street sweeper.

# Equipment Cleaning, Maintenance, and Storage

Also see Equipment Repair & Maintenance procedure sheet.

Clean equipment including sprayers, sprayer paint supply lines, patch and paving equipment, and mudjacking equipment at the end of each day. If equipment can be cleaned and materials reapplied at the job site, do so in compliance with the laws and regulations. Clean in a sink or other area (e.g. vehicle wash area) that is connected to the sanitary sewer.

- → Note: Permission must be obtained for any discharge of wash water to the sanitary sewer from the local sewering agency.
- If refueling or repairing vehicles and equipment must be done on-site, conduct the activity away from storm drain inlets and watercourses.
- ✓ Place drip pans or absorbent materials under heavy equipment when not in
  use.
- Clean paint brushes and tools covered with water-based paints in sinks connected to sanitary sewers. Brushes and tools covered with πon-waterbased paints, finishes, or other materials must be cleaned in a manner that enables collection of used solvents (e.g., paint thinner, turpentine, etc.) for recycling or proper disposal.

#### OPTIONAL:

- Conduct cleaning at a corporation or maintenance yard if possible.
- When practical, perform major equipment repairs at the corporation yard.
- In addition to the procedures above, review and apply general procedures outlined for Minor Construction activities when conducting street, road, and highway repair and maintenance activities.

# 3. Bridge and Structure Maintenance

# Painting and Paint Removal

- Transport paint and materials to and from job sites in containers with secure lids and tied down to the transport vehicle.
- ✓ Do not transfer or load paint near storm drain inlets or watercourses.
- ✓ Test and inspect spray equipment prior to starting to paint. Tighten all hoses and connections and do not overfill paint container.
- If sand blasting is used to remove paint, cover nearby storm drain inlets prior to starting work.
- ✓ If the bridge crosses a watercourse, perform work on a maintenance traveler or platform, or use suspended netting or tarps to capture paint, rust, paint removing agents, or other materials, to prevent discharge of materials to surface waters. If sanding, use a sander with a vacuum filter bag.
- Recycle paint when possible (e.g. paint may be used for graffiti removal activities). Dispose of paint at an appropriate household hazardous waste facility.
- See Spill Control procedure sheet for guidance on the proper cleanup of paint spills.

#### **Graffiti Removal**

- ✓ Avoid graffiti abatement activities during rain events.
- ✓ Protect nearby storm drain inlets prior to removing graffiti from walls, signs, sidewalks, or other structures needing graffiti abatement. Clean up

- afterwards by sweeping or vacuuming thoroughly, and/or by using absorbent and properly disposing of the absorbent.
- ✓ Note that care should be taken when disposing of waste since it may need
  to be disposed of as hazardous waste.
- ✓ When graffiti is removed by painting over, implement the procedures under Painting and Paint Removal above.
- Direct runoff from sand blasting and high pressure washing (with no cleaning agents) into a landscaped or dirt area.
- If a graffiti abatement method generates wash water containing a cleaning compound (such as high pressure washing with a cleaning compound), plug nearby storm drains and collect wash water and dispose of properly.

#### OPTIONAL:

 Consider using a waterless and non-toxic chemical cleaning method for graffiti removal (e.g. gels or spray compounds).

# Guardrail and Fence Repair

- When cleaning guardrails or fences follow the appropriate surface cleaning methods (depending on the type of surface) outlined in the Sidewalk, Plaza, and Fountain Maintenance and Cleaning procedure sheet.
- ✓ If painting is conducted, follow the Painting and Paint Removal procedures above.
- If graffiti removal is conducted, follow the Graffiti Removal procedures above.
- ✓ If construction takes place, see the procedure sheet for Minor Construction.
- Recycle materials whenever possible.

# LIMITATIONS:

Limitations related to street sweeping may include high equipment costs, the potential inability to restrict parking in urban areas, the need for sweeper operator training, the inability of current sweeper technology to remove oil and grease, and the lack of scientific evidence regarding the expected levels of pollutant removal.

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# WATER AND SEWER UTILITY OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Although the operation and maintenance of public utilities are not considered themselves a chronic source of stormwater pollution, some activities and accidents can result in the discharge of pollutants that can pose a threat to both human health and the quality of receiving waters if they enter the storm drain system. Activities associated with the operation and maintenance of water and sewer utilities to prevent and handle such incidents include the following:

- 1. Water Line Maintenance
- 2. Sanitary Sewer Maintenance
- 3. Spill/Leak/Overflow Control, Response, and Containment

Cities that do not provide maintenance of water and sewer utilities should coordinate with the contracting agency responsible for these activities and ensure that these model procedures are followed.

### POLLUTION PREVENTION:

Pollution prevention measures have been considered and incorporated in the model procedures. Implementation of these measures may be more effective and reduce or eliminate the need to implement other more complicated or costly procedures. Possible pollution prevention measures for water and sewer utility operation and maintenance include:

- Inspect potential non-storm water discharge flow paths and clear/cleanup any debris or pollutants found (i.e. remove trash, leaves, sediment, and wipe up liquids, including oil spills).
- Once per year, educate municipal staff on pollution prevention measures.

## **MODEL PROCEDURES:**

### Water Line Maintenance

Procedures can be employed to reduce pollutants from discharges associated with water utility operation and maintenance activities. Planned discharges may include fire hydrant testing, flushing water supply mains after new construction, flushing lines due to complaints of taste and odor, dewatering mains for maintenance work. Unplanned discharges from treated, recycled water, raw water, and groundwater systems operation and maintenance activities can occur from water main breaks, sheared fire hydrants, equipment malfunction, and operator error.

#### Planned Discharges

- ✓ For planned discharges use one of the following options:
  - Reuse water for dust suppression, irrigation, or construction compaction
  - Discharge to the sanitary sewer system with approval
  - Discharge to the storm drain system or to a creek using applicable
    pollution control measures listed below (this option is ONLY
    applicable to uncontaminated pumped ground water, water line
    flushing, fire hydrant testing and flushing, discharges from potable
    water sources other than water main breaks) and may require a
    permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board.
- ✓ If water is discharged to a storm drain inlet (catch basin), control measures must be put in place to control potential pollutants (i.e. sediment, chlorine, etc.). Examples of some storm drain inlet protection options include:
  - Silt fence appropriate where the inlet drains a relatively flat area.
  - Gravel and wire mesh sediment filter Appropriate where concentrated flows are expected.
  - Wooden weir and fabric use at curb inlets where a compact installation is desired.
- Prior to discharge, inspect discharge flow path and clear/cleanup any debris or pollutants found (i.e. remove trash, leaves, sediment, and wipe up liquids, including oil spills).
- Select appropriate pollution control measure(s) considering the receiving system (i.e. curb inlet, drop inlet, culvert, creek, etc.) and ensure that the control device(s) fit properly.

- General design considerations for inlet protection devices include the following:
  - The device should be constructed such that cleaning and disposal of trapped sediment is made easy, while minimizing interference with discharge activities.
  - Devices should be constructed so that any standing water resulting from the discharge will not cause excessive inconvenience or flooding/damage to adjacent land or structures.
- ✓ The effectiveness of control devices must be monitored during the discharge period and any necessary repairs or modifications made as needed.

#### OPTIONAL:

 Sediment removal may be enhanced by placing filter fabric, gravel bags, etc. at storm drain inlets.

# **Unplanned Discharges**

- ✓ Stop the discharge as quickly as possible by turning off water source.
- ✓ Inspect flow path of the discharged water:
  - Control erosion along the flow path.
  - Identify areas that may produce significant sediment or gullies, use sandbags to redirect the flow.
  - Identify erodible areas which may need to be repaired or protected during subsequent repairs or corrective actions
- If repairs or corrective action will cause additional discharges of water, select the appropriate procedures for erosion control, chlorine residual, turbidity, and chemical additives. Prevent potential pollutants from entering the flow path and ensure that no additional discharged water enters storm drain inlets.

# Sanitary Sewer Maintenance

Applicable to municipalities who own and operated a sewage collection system. Facilities that are covered under this program include sanitary sewer pipes and pump stations owned and operated by the Permittee. The owner of the sanitary sewer facilities is the entity responsible for carrying out this prevention and response program.

# **Sewer System Cleaning**

- Sewer lines should be cleaned on a regular basis to remove grease, grit, and other debris that may lead to sewer backups.
- Establish routine maintenance program. Cleaning should be conducted at an established minimum frequency and more frequently for problem areas such as restaurants that are identified
- Cleaning activities may require removal of tree roots and other identified obstructions.

## Preventative and Corrective Maintenance

- During routine maintenance and inspection note the condition of sanitary sewer structures and identify areas that need repair or maintenance. Items to note may include the following:
  - cracked/deteriorating pipes
  - leaking joints/seals at manhole
  - frequent line plugs
  - line generally flows at or near capacity
  - suspected infiltration or exfiltration
- Document suggestions and requests for repair and report the information to the appropriate manager or supervisor.
- ✓ Prioritize repairs based on the nature and severity of the problem. Immediate clearing of blockage or repair is required where an overflow is currently occurring or for urgent problems that may cause an imminent overflow (e.g. pump station failures, sewer line ruptures, sewer line blockages). These repairs may be temporary until scheduled or capital improvements can be completed.
- Review previous sewer maintenance records to help identify "hot spots" or areas with frequent maintenance problems and locations of potential system failure.

# 3. Spill/Leak/Overflow Control, Response, and Containment

#### Control

Also see Drainage System procedures sheet

- ✓ Refer to countywide Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program.

  Components of this program include:
  - Investigation/inspection and follow-up
  - Elimination of illicit discharges and connections
  - Enforcement of ordinances
  - Respond to sewage spills

 Facilitate public reporting of illicit discharges and connections. A citizen's hotline for reporting observed overflow conditions should be established to supplement the field screening efforts being conducted by the Principal Permittee.

# Response and Containment

- Establish lead department/agency responsible for spill response and containment. Provide coordination within departments.
- When a spill, leak, and/or overflow occurs, keep sewage from entering the storm drain system to the maximum extent practicable by covering or blocking storm drain inlets or by containing and diverting the sewage away from open channels and other storm drain facilities (using sandbags, inflatable dams, etc.).
- ✓ If a spill reaches the storm drain notify County of Orange Health Care Agency through Control One at (714) 628-7208.
- Remove the sewage using vacuum equipment or use other measures to divert it back to the sanitary sewer system.
- Record required information at the spill site.
- ✓ Perform field tests as necessary to determine the source of the spill.
- Develop additional notification procedures regarding spill reporting as needed.

# LIMITATIONS:

Private property access rights needed to perform testing along storm drain right-of-ways. Requirements of municipal ordinance authority for suspected source verification testing necessary for guaranteed rights of entry.

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### California Experience

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# **Advantages**

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- May be more cost-effective pre-treatment devices than traditional wet or dry basins.
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#### Limitations

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- As the products come in standard sizes, the facilities will be oversized in many cases relative to the design treatment storm, increasing the cost.
- The non-steady flows of stormwater decreases the efficiency of vortex separators from what may be estimated or determined from testing under constant flow.
- Do not remove dissolved pollutants.
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### **Design Considerations**

- Service Area
- Settling Velocity
- Appropriate Sizing
- Inlet Pipe Diameter

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lesser removal efficiency is obtained with particles less than 150 microns, and the lighter, organic settleables. Laboratory tests of one of the products found about 60% removal of 50 micron sand at the expected average operating flow rate

Experience with the use of vortex separators for treating combined sewer overflows (CSOs), the original application of this technology, suggests that the lower practical limit for particle removal are particles with a settling velocity of 12 feet per hour (Sullivan, 1982), which represents a particle diameter of 100 to 200 microns, depending on the specific gravity of the particle. The CSO experience therefore seems consistent with the limited experience with treating stormwater, summarized above

Traditional treatment technologies such as wet ponds and extended detention basins are generally believed to be more effective at removing very small particles, down to the range of 10 to 20 microns. Hence, it is intuitively expected that vortex separators do not perform as well as the traditional wet and dry basins, and filters. Whether this matters depends on the particle size distribution of the sediments in stormwater. If the distribution leans towards small material, there should be a marked difference between vortex separators and, say, traditional wet vaults. There are little data to support this conjecture

In comparison to other treatment technologies, such as wet ponds and grass swales, there are few studies of vortex separators. Only two of manufactured products currently available have been field tested. Two field studies have been conducted. Both achieved in excess of 80% removal of TSS. However, the test was conducted in the Northeast (New York state and Maine) where it is possible the stormwater contained significant quantities of deicing sand. Consequently, the influent TSS concentrations and particle size are both likely considerably higher than is found in California stormwater. These data suggest that if the stormwater particles are for the most part fine (i.e., less than 50 microns), vortex separators will not be as efficient as traditional treatment BMPs such as wet ponds and swales, if the latter are sized according to the recommendations of this handbook.

There are no equations that provide a straightforward determination of efficiency as a function of unit configuration and size. Design specifications of commercial separators are derived from empirical equations that are unique and proprietary to each manufacturer. However, some general relationships between performance and the geometry of a separator have been developed. CSO studies have found that the primary determinants of performance of vortex separators are the diameters of the inlet pipe and chamber with all other geometry proportional to these two.

Sullivan et al. (1982) found that performance is related to the ratios of chamber to inlet diameters, D2/D1, and height between the inlet and outlet and the inlet diameter, H1/D1, shown in Figure 3. The relationships are: as D2/D1 approaches one, the efficiency decreases; and, as the H1/D1 ratio decreases, the efficiency decreases. These relationships may allow qualitative comparisons of the alternative designs of manufacturers. Engineers who wish to apply these concepts should review relevant publications presented in the References.

# Siting Criteria

There are no particularly unique siting criteria. The size of the drainage area that can be served by vortex separators is directly related to the capacities of the largest models.

# **Additional Design Guidelines**

Vortex separators have two capacities if positioned as in-line facilities, a treatment capacity and a hydraulic capacity. Failure to recognize the difference between the two may lead to significant under sizing; i.e., too small a model is selected. This observation is relevant to three of the five products. These three technologies all are designed to experience a unit flow rate of about 24 gallons/square foot of separator footprint at the peak of the design treatment event. This is the horizontal area of the separator zone within the container, not the total footprint of the unit. At this unit flow rate, laboratory tests by these manufacturers have established that the performance will meet the general claims previously described. However, the units are sized to handle 100 gallons/square foot at the peak of the hydraulic event. Hence, in selecting a particular model the design engineer must be certain to match the peak flow of the design event to the stated treatment capacity, not the hydraulic capacity. The former is one-fourth the latter. If the unit is positioned as an off-line facility, the model selected is based on the capacity equal to the peak of the design treatment event.

#### **Maintenance**

Maintenance consists of the removal of accumulated material with an eductor truck. It may be necessary to remove and dispose the floatables separately due to the presence of petroleum product.

# Maintenance Requirements

Remove all accumulated sediment, and litter and other floatables, annually, unless experience indicates the need for more or less frequent maintenance.

#### Cost

Manufacturers provide costs for the units including delivery. Installation costs are generally on the order of 50 to 100 % of the manufacturer's cost. For most sites the units are cleaned annually.

#### Cost Considerations

The different geometry of the several manufactured separators suggests that when comparing the costs of these systems to each other, that local conditions (e.g., groundwater levels) may affect the relative cost-effectiveness.

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# Description

Drain inserts are manufactured filters or fabric placed in a drop inlet to remove sediment and debris. There are a multitude of inserts of various shapes and configurations, typically falling into one of three different groups: socks, boxes, and trays. The sock consists of a fabric, usually constructed of polypropylene. The fabric may be attached to a frame or the grate of the inlet holds the sock. Socks are meant for vertical (drop) inlets. Boxes are constructed of plastic or wire mesh. Typically a polypropylene "bag" is placed in the wire mesh box. The bag takes the form of the box. Most box products are one box; that is, the setting area and filtration through media occur in the same box. Some products consist of one or more trays or mesh grates. The trays may hold different types of media. Filtration media vary by manufacturer. Types include polypropylene, porous polymer, treated cellulose, and activated carbon.

# California Experience

The number of installations is unknown but likely exceeds a thousand. Some users have reported that these systems require considerable maintenance to prevent plugging and bypass.

# **Advantages**

- Does not require additional space as inserts as the drain inlets are already a component of the standard drainage systems.
- Easy access for inspection and maintenance.
- As there is no standing water, there is little concern for mosquito breeding.
- A relatively inexpensive retrofit option.

#### Limitations

Performance is likely significantly less than treatment systems that are located at the end of the drainage system such as ponds and vaults. Usually not suitable for large areas or areas with trash or leaves than can plug the insert.

# **Design and Sizing Guidelines**

Refer to manufacturer's guidelines. Drain inserts come any many configurations but can be placed into three general groups: socks, boxes, and trays. The sock consists of a fabric, usually constructed of polypropylene. The fabric may be attached to a frame or the grate of the inlet holds the sock. Socks are meant for vertical (drop) inlets. Boxes are constructed of plastic or wire mesh. Typically a polypropylene "bag" is placed in the wire mesh box. The bag takes the form of the box. Most box products are

# **Design Considerations**

- Use with other BMPs
- Fit and Seal Capacity within Inlet

# **Targeted Constituents**

- ✓ Sediment
- ✓ Nutrients
- ✓ Trash
- ✓ Metals

  Bacteria
- ✓ Oil and Grease
- Organics

#### Removal Effectiveness

See New Development and Redevelopment Handbook-Section 5.



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# Construction/Inspection Considerations

Be certain that installation is done in a manner that makes certain that the stormwater enters the unit and does not leak around the perimeter. Leakage between the frame of the insert and the frame of the drain inlet can easily occur with vertical (drop) inlets.

#### Performance

Few products have performance data collected under field conditions.

# Siting Criteria

It is recommended that inserts be used only for retrofit situations or as pretreatment where other treatment BMPs presented in this section area used.

# Additional Design Guidelines

Follow guidelines provided by individual manufacturers.

#### Maintenance

Likely require frequent maintenance, on the order of several times per year.

#### Cost

- The initial cost of individual inserts ranges from less than \$100 to about \$2,000. The cost of
  using multiple units in curb inlet drains varies with the size of the inlet.
- The low cost of inserts may tend to favor the use of these systems over other, more effective treatment BMPs. However, the low cost of each unit may be offset by the number of units that are required, more frequent maintenance, and the shorter structural life (and therefore replacement).

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# **Objectives**

- Cover
- Contain
- Educate
- Reduce/Minimize
- Product Substitution

# **Description**

The loading/unloading of materials usually takes place outside on docks or terminals; therefore, materials spilled, leaked, or lost during loading/unloading may collect in the soil or on other surfaces and have the potential to be carried away by stormwater runoff or when the area is cleaned. Additionally, rainfall may wash pollutants from machinery used to unload or move materials. Implementation of the following protocols will prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants to stormwater from outdoor loading/unloading of materials.

# **Approach**

Reduce potential for pollutant discharge through source control pollution prevention and BMP implementation. Successful implementation depends on effective training of employees on applicable BMPs and general pollution prevention strategies and objectives.

#### **Pollution Prevention**

- Keep accurate maintenance logs to evaluate materials removed and improvements made.
- Park tank trucks or delivery vehicles in designated areas so that spills or leaks can be contained.
- Limit exposure of material to rainfall whenever possible.
- Prevent stormwater run-on.
- Check equipment regularly for leaks.



Sediment	✓
Nutrients	✓
Trash	
Metals	✓
Bacteria	
Oil and Grease	✓
Organics	✓



# **Outdoor Loading/Unloading**

# Suggested Protocols

Loading and Unloading – General Guidelines

- Develop an operations plan that describes procedures for loading and/or unloading.
- Conduct loading and unloading in dry weather if possible.
- Cover designated loading/unloading areas to reduce exposure of materials to rain.
- Consider placing a seal or door skirt between delivery vehicles and building to prevent exposure to rain.
- Design loading/unloading area to prevent stormwater run-on, which would include grading or berming the area, and position roof downspouts so they direct stormwater away from the loading/unloading areas.
- Have employees load and unload all materials and equipment in covered areas such as building overhangs at loading docks if feasible.
- Load/unload only at designated loading areas.
- Use drip pans underneath hose and pipe connections and other leak-prone spots during liquid transfer operations, and when making and breaking connections. Several drip pans should be stored in a covered location near the liquid transfer area so that they are always available, yet protected from precipitation when not in use. Drip pans can be made specifically for railroad tracks. Drip pans must be cleaned periodically, and drip collected materials must be disposed of properly.
- Pave loading areas with concrete instead of asphalt.
- Avoid placing storm drains in the area.
- Grade and/or berm the loading/unloading area to a drain that is connected to a deadend.

#### Inspection

- Check loading and unloading equipment regularly for leaks, including valves, pumps, flanges and connections.
- Look for dust or fumes during loading or unloading operations.

#### **Training**

- Train employees (e.g., fork lift operators) and contractors on proper spill containment and cleanup.
- Have employees trained in spill containment and cleanup present during loading/unloading.
- Train employees in proper handling techniques during liquid transfers to avoid spills.
- Make sure forklift operators are properly trained on loading and unloading procedures.

# Spill Response and Prevention

- Keep your Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan up-to-date.
- Contain leaks during transfer.
- Store and maintain appropriate spill cleanup materials in a location that is readily accessible and known to all and ensure that employees are familiar with the site's spill control plan and proper spill cleanup procedures.
- Have an emergency spill cleanup plan readily available.
- Use drip pans or comparable devices when transferring oils, solvents, and paints.

# Other Considerations (Limitations and Regulations)

- Space and time limitations may preclude all transfers from being performed indoors or under cover.
- It may not be possible to conduct transfers only during dry weather.

# Requirements

#### Costs

Costs should be low except when covering a large loading/unloading area.

#### Maintenance

- Conduct regular inspections and make repairs as necessary. The frequency of repairs will depend on the age of the facility.
- Check loading and unloading equipment regularly for leaks.
- Conduct regular broom dry-sweeping of area.

# **Supplemental Information**

#### Further Detail of the BMP

Special Circumstances for Indoor Loading/Unloading of Materials

Loading or unloading of liquids should occur in the manufacturing building so that any spills that are not completely retained can be discharged to the sanitary sewer, treatment plant, or treated in a manner consistent with local sewer authorities and permit requirements.

- For loading and unloading tank trucks to above and below ground storage tanks, the following procedures should be used:
  - The area where the transfer takes place should be paved. If the liquid is reactive with the asphalt, Portland cement should be used to pave the area.
  - The transfer area should be designed to prevent run-on of stormwater from adjacent areas. Sloping the pad and using a curb, like a speed bump, around the uphill side of the transfer area should reduce run-on.

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- The transfer area should be designed to prevent runoff of spilled liquids from the area. Sloping the area to a drain should prevent runoff. The drain should be connected to a dead-end sump or to the sanitary sewer. A positive control valve should be installed on the drain.
- For transfer from rail cars to storage tanks that must occur outside, use the following procedures:
  - Drip pans should be placed at locations where spillage may occur, such as hose connections, hose reels, and filler nozzles. Use drip pans when making and breaking connections.
  - Drip pan systems should be installed between the rails to collect spillage from tank cars.

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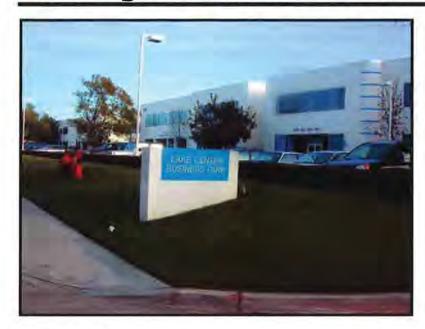
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# **Objectives**

- Cover
- Contain
- Educate
- Reduce/Minimize
- Product Substitution

# Description

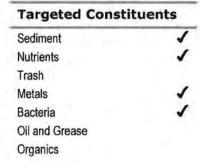
Stormwater runoff from building and grounds maintenance activities can be contaminated with toxic hydrocarbons in solvents, fertilizers and pesticides, suspended solids, heavy metals, abnormal pH, and oils and greases. Utilizing the protocols in this fact sheet will prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants to stormwater from building and grounds maintenance activities by washing and cleaning up with as little water as possible, following good landscape management practices, preventing and cleaning up spills immediately, keeping debris from entering the storm drains, and maintaining the stormwater collection system.

# Approach

Reduce potential for pollutant discharge through source control pollution prevention and BMP implementation. Successful implementation depends on effective training of employees on applicable BMPs and general pollution prevention strategies and objectives.

#### **Pollution Prevention**

- Switch to non-toxic chemicals for maintenance when possible.
- Choose cleaning agents that can be recycled.
- Encourage proper lawn management and landscaping, including use of native vegetation.





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- Encourage use of Integrated Pest Management techniques for pest control.
- Encourage proper onsite recycling of yard trimmings.
- Recycle residual paints, solvents, lumber, and other material as much as possible.

# Suggested Protocols

Pressure Washing of Buildings, Rooftops, and Other Large Objects

- In situations where soaps or detergents are used and the surrounding area is paved, pressure washers must use a water collection device that enables collection of wash water and associated solids. A sump pump, wet vacuum or similarly effective device must be used to collect the runoff and loose materials. The collected runoff and solids must be disposed of properly.
- If soaps or detergents are not used, and the surrounding area is paved, wash runoff does not have to be collected but must be screened. Pressure washers must use filter fabric or some other type of screen on the ground and/or in the catch basin to trap the particles in wash water runoff.
- If you are pressure washing on a grassed area (with or without soap), runoff must be
  dispersed as sheet flow as much as possible, rather than as a concentrated stream. The wash
  runoff must remain on the grass and not drain to pavement.

### Landscaping Activities

- Dispose of grass clippings, leaves, sticks, or other collected vegetation as garbage, or by composting. Do not dispose of collected vegetation into waterways or storm drainage systems.
- Use mulch or other erosion control measures on exposed soils.

### Building Repair, Remodeling, and Construction

- Do not dump any toxic substance or liquid waste on the pavement, the ground, or toward a storm drain.
- Use ground or drop cloths underneath outdoor painting, scraping, and sandblasting work, and properly dispose of collected material daily.
- Use a ground cloth or oversized tub for activities such as paint mixing and tool cleaning.
- Clean paintbrushes and tools covered with water-based paints in sinks connected to sanitary sewers or in portable containers that can be dumped into a sanitary sewer drain. Brushes and tools covered with non-water-based paints, finishes, or other materials must be cleaned in a manner that enables collection of used solvents (e.g., paint thinner, turpentine, etc.) for recycling or proper disposal.
- Use a storm drain cover, filter fabric, or similarly effective runoff control mechanism if dust, grit, wash water, or other pollutants may escape the work area and enter a catch basin. This is particularly necessary on rainy days. The containment device(s) must be in place at the beginning of the work day, and accumulated dirty runoff and solids must be collected and disposed of before removing the containment device(s) at the end of the work day.

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- If you need to de-water an excavation site, you may need to filter the water before discharging to a catch basin or off-site. If directed off-site, you should direct the water through hay bales and filter fabric or use other sediment filters or traps.
- Store toxic material under cover during precipitation events and when not in use. A cover would include tarps or other temporary cover material.

# Mowing, Trimming, and Planting

- Dispose of leaves, sticks, or other collected vegetation as garbage, by composting or at a permitted landfill. Do not dispose of collected vegetation into waterways or storm drainage systems.
- Use mulch or other erosion control measures when soils are exposed.
- Place temporarily stockpiled material away from watercourses and drain inlets, and berm or cover stockpiles to prevent material releases to the storm drain system.
- Consider an alternative approach when bailing out muddy water: do not put it in the storm drain; pour over landscaped areas.
- Use hand weeding where practical.

# Fertilizer and Pesticide Management

- Follow all federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the use, storage, and disposal of fertilizers and pesticides and training of applicators and pest control advisors.
- Use less toxic pesticides that will do the job when applicable. Avoid use of copper-based pesticides if possible.
- Do not use pesticides if rain is expected.
- Do not mix or prepare pesticides for application near storm drains.
- Use the minimum amount needed for the job.
- Calibrate fertilizer distributors to avoid excessive application.
- Employ techniques to minimize off-target application (e.g., spray drift) of pesticides, including consideration of alternative application techniques.
- Apply pesticides only when wind speeds are low.
- Fertilizers should be worked into the soil rather than dumped or broadcast onto the surface.
- Irrigate slowly to prevent runoff and then only as much as is needed.
- Clean pavement and sidewalk if fertilizer is spilled on these surfaces before applying irrigation water.
- Dispose of empty pesticide containers according to the instructions on the container label.

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- Use up the pesticides. Rinse containers, and use rinse water as product. Dispose of unused pesticide as hazardous waste.
- Implement storage requirements for pesticide products with guidance from the local fire department and County Agricultural Commissioner. Provide secondary containment for pesticides.

# Inspection

Inspect irrigation system periodically to ensure that the right amount of water is being
applied and that excessive runoff is not occurring. Minimize excess watering and repair
leaks in the irrigation system as soon as they are observed.

### Training

- Educate and train employees on pesticide use and in pesticide application techniques to prevent pollution.
- Train employees and contractors in proper techniques for spill containment and cleanup.
- Be sure the frequency of training takes into account the complexity of the operations and the nature of the staff.

# Spill Response and Prevention

- Keep your Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan up-to-date.
- Place a stockpile of spill cleanup materials, such as brooms, dustpans, and vacuum sweepers (if desired) near the storage area where it will be readily accessible.
- Have employees trained in spill containment and cleanup present during the loading/unloading of dangerous wastes, liquid chemicals, or other materials.
- Familiarize employees with the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan.
- Clean up spills immediately.

#### Other Considerations

Alternative pest/weed controls may not be available, suitable, or effective in many cases.

# Requirements

#### Costs

- Cost will vary depending on the type and size of facility.
- Overall costs should be low in comparison to other BMPs.

#### Maintenance

Sweep paved areas regularly to collect loose particles. Wipe up spills with rags and other absorbent material immediately, do not hose down the area to a storm drain.

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# Supplemental Information

# Further Detail of the BMP

Fire Sprinkler Line Flushing

Building fire sprinkler line flushing may be a source of non-stormwater runoff pollution. The water entering the system is usually potable water, though in some areas it may be non-potable reclaimed wastewater. There are subsequent factors that may drastically reduce the quality of the water in such systems. Black iron pipe is usually used since it is cheaper than potable piping, but it is subject to rusting and results in lower quality water. Initially, the black iron pipe has an oil coating to protect it from rusting between manufacture and installation; this will contaminate the water from the first flush but not from subsequent flushes. Nitrates, polyphosphates and other corrosion inhibitors, as well as fire suppressants and antifreeze may be added to the sprinkler water system. Water generally remains in the sprinkler system a long time (typically a year) and between flushes may accumulate iron, manganese, lead, copper, nickel, and zinc. The water generally becomes anoxic and contains living and dead bacteria and breakdown products from chlorination. This may result in a significant BOD problem and the water often smells. Consequently dispose fire sprinkler line flush water into the sanitary sewer. Do not allow discharge to storm drain or infiltration due to potential high levels of pollutants in fire sprinkler line water.

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# **Objectives**

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# Description

Landscape maintenance activities include vegetation removal; herbicide and insecticide application; fertilizer application; watering; and other gardening and lawn care practices. Vegetation control typically involves a combination of chemical (herbicide) application and mechanical methods. All of these maintenance practices have the potential to contribute pollutants to the storm drain system. The major objectives of this BMP are to minimize the discharge of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers to the storm drain system and receiving waters; prevent the disposal of landscape waste into the storm drain system by collecting and properly disposing of clippings and cuttings, and educating employees and the public.

# **Targeted Constituents**

Sediment ☑
Nutrients ☑

Trash Metals

Bacleria Oil and Grease

Organics
Oxygen Demanding

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# Approach

#### **Pollution Prevention**

- Implement an integrated pest management (IPM) program. IPM is a sustainable approach to managing pests by combining biological, cultural, physical, and chemical tools.
- Choose low water using flowers, trees, shrubs, and groundcover.
- Consider alternative landscaping techniques such as naturescaping and xeriscaping.
- Conduct appropriate maintenance (i.e. properly timed fertilizing, weeding, pest control, and pruning) to help preserve the landscapes water efficiency.



# **Landscape Maintenance**

 Consider grass cycling (grass cycling is the natural recycling of grass by leaving the clippings on the lawn when mowing. Grass clippings decompose quickly and release valuable nutrients back into the lawn).

## Suggested Protocols

Mowing, Trimming, and Weeding

- Whenever possible use mechanical methods of vegetation removal (e.g mowing with tractortype or push mowers, hand cutting with gas or electric powered weed trimmers) rather than applying herbicides. Use hand weeding where practical.
- Avoid loosening the soil when conducting mechanical or manual weed control, this could lead to erosion. Use mulch or other erosion control measures when soils are exposed.
- Performing moving at optimal times. Moving should not be performed if significant rain events are predicted.
- Mulching mowers may be recommended for certain flat areas. Other techniques may be employed to minimize mowing such as selective vegetative planting using low maintenance grasses and shrubs.
- Collect lawn and garden clippings, pruning waste, tree trimmings, and weeds. Chip if necessary, and compost or dispose of at a landfill (see waste management section of this fact sheet).
- Place temporarily stockpiled material away from watercourses, and berm or cover stockpiles to prevent material releases to storm drains.

## Planting

- Determine existing native vegetation features (location, species, size, function, importance) and consider the feasibility of protecting them. Consider elements such as their effect on drainage and erosion, hardiness, maintenance requirements, and possible conflicts between preserving vegetation and the resulting maintenance needs.
- Retain and/or plant selected native vegetation whose features are determined to be beneficial, where feasible. Native vegetation usually requires less maintenance (e.g., irrigation, fertilizer) than planting new vegetation.
- Consider using low water use groundcovers when planting or replanting.

#### Waste Management

- Compost leaves, sticks, or other collected vegetation or dispose of at a permitted landfill. Do not dispose of collected vegetation into waterways or storm drainage systems.
- Place temporarily stockpiled material away from watercourses and storm drain inlets, and berm or cover stockpiles to prevent material releases to the storm drain system.
- Reduce the use of high nitrogen fertilizers that produce excess growth requiring more frequent mowing or trimming.

 Avoid landscape wastes in and around storm drain inlets by either using bagging equipment or by manually picking up the material.

## Irrigation

- Where practical, use automatic timers to minimize runoff.
- Use popup sprinkler heads in areas with a lot of activity or where there is a chance the pipes may be broken. Consider the use of mechanisms that reduce water flow to sprinkler heads if broken.
- Ensure that there is no runoff from the landscaped area(s) if re-claimed water is used for irrigation.
- If bailing of muddy water is required (e.g. when repairing a water line leak), do not put it in the storm drain; pour over landscaped areas.
- Irrigate slowly or pulse irrigate to prevent runoff and then only irrigate as much as is needed.
- Apply water at rates that do not exceed the infiltration rate of the soil.

## Fertilizer and Pesticide Management

- Utilize a comprehensive management system that incorporates integrated pest management (IPM) techniques. There are many methods and types of IPM, including the following:
  - Mulching can be used to prevent weeds where turf is absent, fencing installed to keep rodents out, and netting used to keep birds and insects away from leaves and fruit.
  - Visible insects can be removed by hand (with gloves or tweezers) and placed in soapy
    water or vegetable oil. Alternatively, insects can be sprayed off the plant with water or in
    some cases vacuumed off of larger plants.
  - Store-bought traps, such as species-specific, pheromone-based traps or colored sticky cards, can be used.
  - Slugs can be trapped in small cups filled with beer that are set in the ground so the slugs
    can get in easily.
  - In cases where microscopic parasites, such as bacteria and fungi, are causing damage to
    plants, the affected plant material can be removed and disposed of (pruning equipment
    should be disinfected with bleach to prevent spreading the disease organism).
  - Small mammals and birds can be excluded using fences, netting, tree trunk guards.
  - Beneficial organisms, such as bats, birds, green lacewings, ladybugs, praying mantis, ground beetles, parasitic nematodes, trichogramma wasps, seed head weevils, and spiders that prey on detrimental pest species can be promoted.
- Follow all federal, state, and local laws and regulations governing the use, storage, and disposal of fertilizers and pesticides and training of applicators and pest control advisors.

- Use pesticides only if there is an actual pest problem (not on a regular preventative schedule).
- Do not use pesticides if rain is expected. Apply pesticides only when wind speeds are low (less than 5 mph).
- Do not mix or prepare pesticides for application near storm drains.
- Prepare the minimum amount of pesticide needed for the job and use the lowest rate that will effectively control the pest.
- Employ techniques to minimize off-target application (e.g. spray drift) of pesticides, including consideration of alternative application techniques.
- Fertilizers should be worked into the soil rather than dumped or broadcast onto the surface.
- Calibrate fertilizer and pesticide application equipment to avoid excessive application.
- Periodically test soils for determining proper fertilizer use.
- Sweep pavement and sidewalk if fertilizer is spilled on these surfaces before applying irrigation water.
- Purchase only the amount of pesticide that you can reasonably use in a given time period (month or year depending on the product).
- Triple rinse containers, and use rinse water as product. Dispose of unused pesticide as hazardous waste.
- Dispose of empty pesticide containers according to the instructions on the container label.

#### Inspection

- Inspect irrigation system periodically to ensure that the right amount of water is being
  applied and that excessive runoff is not occurring. Minimize excess watering, and repair
  leaks in the irrigation system as soon as they are observed.
- Inspect pesticide/fertilizer equipment and transportation vehicles daily.

#### Training

- Educate and train employees on use of pesticides and in pesticide application techniques to prevent pollution. Pesticide application must be under the supervision of a California qualified pesticide applicator.
- Train/encourage municipal maintenance crews to use IPM techniques for managing public green areas.
- Annually train employees within departments responsible for pesticide application on the appropriate portions of the agency's IPM Policy, SOPs, and BMPs, and the latest IPM techniques.

- Employees who are not authorized and trained to apply pesticides should be periodically (at least annually) informed that they cannot use over-the-counter pesticides in or around the workplace.
- Use a training log or similar method to document training.

## Spill Response and Prevention

- Refer to SC-11, Spill Prevention, Control & Cleanup
- Have spill cleanup materials readily available and in a know in location
- Cleanup spills immediately and use dry methods if possible.
- Properly dispose of spill cleanup material.

#### Other Considerations

- The Federal Pesticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and California Title 3, Division 6, Pesticides and Pest Control Operations place strict controls over pesticide application and handling and specify training, annual refresher, and testing requirements. The regulations generally cover: a list of approved pesticides and selected uses, updated regularly; general application information; equipment use and maintenance procedures; and record keeping. The California Department of Pesticide Regulations and the County Agricultural Commission coordinate and maintain the licensing and certification programs. All public agency employees who apply pesticides and herbicides in "agricultural use" areas such as parks, golf courses, rights-of-way and recreation areas should be properly certified in accordance with state regulations. Contracts for landscape maintenance should include similar requirements.
- All employees who handle pesticides should be familiar with the most recent material safety data sheet (MSDS) files.
- Municipalities do not have the authority to regulate the use of pesticides by school districts, however the California Healthy Schools Act of 2000 (AB 2260) has imposed requirements on California school districts regarding pesticide use in schools. Posting of notification prior to the application of pesticides is now required, and IPM is stated as the preferred approach to pest management in schools.

#### Requirements

#### Coate

Additional training of municipal employees will be required to address IPM techniques and BMPs. IPM methods will likely increase labor cost for pest control which may be offset by lower chemical costs.

#### Maintenance

Not applicable

## Supplemental Information Further Detail of the BMP

Waste Management

Composting is one of the better disposal alternatives if locally available. Most municipalities either have or are planning yard waste composting facilities as a means of reducing the amount of waste going to the landfill. Lawn clippings from municipal maintenance programs as well as private sources would probably be compatible with most composting facilities

#### Contractors and Other Pesticide Users

Municipal agencies should develop and implement a process to ensure that any contractor employed to conduct pest control and pesticide application on municipal property engages in pest control methods consistent with the IPM Policy adopted by the agency. Specifically, municipalities should require contractors to follow the agency's IPM policy, SOPs, and BMPs; provide evidence to the agency of having received training on current IPM techniques when feasible; provide documentation of pesticide use on agency property to the agency in a timely manner.

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# Site Design & Landscape Planning SD-10



## **Design Objectives**

- Maximize Infiltration
- Provide Retention
- ☑ Slow Runoff
- Minimize Impervious Land Coverage

Prohibit Dumping of Improper Materials

Contain Pollutants

Collect and Convey

## Description

Each project site possesses unique topographic, hydrologic, and vegetative features, some of which are more suitable for development than others. Integrating and incorporating appropriate landscape planning methodologies into the project design is the most effective action that can be done to minimize surface and groundwater contamination from stormwater.

#### **Approach**

Landscape planning should couple consideration of land suitability for urban uses with consideration of community goals and projected growth. Project plan designs should conserve natural areas to the extent possible, maximize natural water storage and infiltration opportunities, and protect slopes and channels.

## Suitable Applications

Appropriate applications include residential, commercial and industrial areas planned for development or redevelopment.

## **Design Considerations**

Design requirements for site design and landscapes planning should conform to applicable standards and specifications of agencies with jurisdiction and be consistent with applicable General Plan and Local Area Plan policies.



# SD-10 Site Design & Landscape Planning

## **Designing New Installations**

Begin the development of a plan for the landscape unit with attention to the following general principles:

- Formulate the plan on the basis of clearly articulated community goals. Carefully identify conflicts and choices between retaining and protecting desired resources and community growth.
- Map and assess land suitability for urban uses. Include the following landscape features in the assessment: wooded land, open unwooded land, steep slopes, erosion-prone soils, foundation suitability, soil suitability for waste disposal, aquifers, aquifer recharge areas, wetlands, floodplains, surface waters, agricultural lands, and various categories of urban land use. When appropriate, the assessment can highlight outstanding local or regional resources that the community determines should be protected (e.g., a scenic area, recreational area, threatened species habitat, farmland, fish run). Mapping and assessment should recognize not only these resources but also additional areas needed for their sustenance.

Project plan designs should conserve natural areas to the extent possible, maximize natural water storage and infiltration opportunities, and protect slopes and channels.

## Conserve Natural Areas during Landscape Planning

If applicable, the following items are required and must be implemented in the site layout during the subdivision design and approval process, consistent with applicable General Plan and Local Area Plan policies:

- Cluster development on least-sensitive portions of a site while leaving the remaining land in a natural undisturbed condition.
- Limit clearing and grading of native vegetation at a site to the minimum amount needed to build lots, allow access, and provide fire protection.
- Maximize trees and other vegetation at each site by planting additional vegetation, clustering tree areas, and promoting the use of native and/or drought tolerant plants.
- Promote natural vegetation by using parking lot islands and other landscaped areas.
- Preserve riparian areas and wetlands.

Maximize Natural Water Storage and Infiltration Opportunities Within the Landscape Unit

- Promote the conservation of forest cover. Building on land that is already deforested affects basin hydrology to a lesser extent than converting forested land. Loss of forest cover reduces interception storage, detention in the organic forest floor layer, and water losses by evapotranspiration, resulting in large peak runoff increases and either their negative effects or the expense of countering them with structural solutions.
- Maintain natural storage reservoirs and drainage corridors, including depressions, areas of permeable soils, swales, and intermittent streams. Develop and implement policies and

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regulations to discourage the clearing, filling, and channelization of these features. Utilize them in drainage networks in preference to pipes, culverts, and engineered ditches.

Evaluating infiltration opportunities by referring to the stormwater management manual for the jurisdiction and pay particular attention to the selection criteria for avoiding groundwater contamination, poor soils, and hydrogeological conditions that cause these facilities to fail. If necessary, locate developments with large amounts of impervious surfaces or a potential to produce relatively contaminated runoff away from groundwater recharge areas.

Protection of Slopes and Channels during Landscape Design

- Convey runoff safely from the tops of slopes.
- Avoid disturbing steep or unstable slopes.
- Avoid disturbing natural channels.
- Stabilize disturbed slopes as quickly as possible.
- Vegetate slopes with native or drought tolerant vegetation.
- Control and treat flows in landscaping and/or other controls prior to reaching existing natural drainage systems.
- Stabilize temporary and permanent channel crossings as quickly as possible, and ensure that
  increases in run-off velocity and frequency caused by the project do not erode the channel.
- Install energy dissipaters, such as riprap, at the outlets of new storm drains, culverts, conduits, or channels that enter unlined channels in accordance with applicable specifications to minimize erosion. Energy dissipaters shall be installed in such a way as to minimize impacts to receiving waters.
- Line on-site conveyance channels where appropriate, to reduce erosion caused by increased flow velocity due to increases in tributary impervious area. The first choice for linings should be grass or some other vegetative surface, since these materials not only reduce runoff velocities, but also provide water quality benefits from filtration and infiltration. If velocities in the channel are high enough to erode grass or other vegetative linings, riprap, concrete, soil cement, or geo-grid stabilization are other alternatives.
- Consider other design principles that are comparable and equally effective.

## Redeveloping Existing Installations

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# SD-10 Site Design & Landscape Planning

Redevelopment may present significant opportunity to add features which had not previously been implemented. Examples include incorporation of depressions, areas of permeable soils, and swales in newly redeveloped areas. While some site constraints may exist due to the status of already existing infrastructure, opportunities should not be missed to maximize infiltration, slow runoff, reduce impervious areas, disconnect directly connected impervious areas.

#### Other Resources

A Manual for the Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan (SUSMP), Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, May 2002.

Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington, Washington State Department of Ecology, August 2001.

Model Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plan (SUSMP) for San Diego County, Port of San Diego, and Cities in San Diego County, February 14, 2002.

Model Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) for County of Orange, Orange County Flood Control District, and the Incorporated Cities of Orange County, Draft February 2003.

Ventura Countywide Technical Guidance Manual for Stormwater Quality Control Measures, July 2002.



Rain Garden

## **Design Objectives**

- ☑ Maximize Infiltration
- ✓ Provide Retention
- ☑ Slow Runoff

Minimize Impervious Land Coverage

Prohibit Dumping of Improper Materials

☑ Contain Pollutants

Collect and Convey

## Description

Various roof runoff controls are available to address stormwater that drains off rooftops. The objective is to reduce the total volume and rate of runoff from individual lots, and retain the pollutants on site that may be picked up from roofing materials and atmospheric deposition. Roof runoff controls consist of directing the roof runoff away from paved areas and mitigating flow to the storm drain system through one of several general approaches: cisterns or rain barrels; dry wells or infiltration trenches; pop-up emitters, and foundation planting. The first three approaches require the roof runoff to be contained in a gutter and downspout system. Foundation planting provides a vegetated strip under the drip line of the roof.

## Approach

Design of individual lots for single-family homes as well as lots for higher density residential and commercial structures should consider site design provisions for containing and infiltrating roof runoff or directing roof runoff to vegetative swales or buffer areas. Retained water can be reused for watering gardens, lawns, and trees. Benefits to the environment include reduced demand for potable water used for irrigation, improved stormwater quality, increased groundwater recharge, decreased runoff volume and peak flows, and decreased flooding potential.

## Suitable Applications

Appropriate applications include residential, commercial and industrial areas planned for development or redevelopment.

## **Design Considerations**

## **Designing New Installations**

Cisterns or Rain Barrels

One method of addressing roof runoff is to direct roof downspouts to cisterns or rain barrels. A cistern is an above ground storage vessel with either a manually operated valve or a permanently open outlet. Roof runoff is temporarily stored and then released for irrigation or infiltration between storms. The number of rain



barrels needed is a function of the rooftop area. Some low impact developers recommend that every house have at least 2 rain barrels, with a minimum storage capacity of 1000 liters. Roof barrels serve several purposes including mitigating the first flush from the roof which has a high volume, amount of contaminants, and thermal load. Several types of rain barrels are commercially available. Consideration must be given to selecting rain barrels that are vector proof and childproof. In addition, some barrels are designed with a bypass valve that filters out grit and other contaminants and routes overflow to a soak-away pit or rain garden,

If the cistern has an operable valve, the valve can be closed to store stormwater for irrigation or infiltration between storms. This system requires continual monitoring by the resident or grounds crews, but provides greater flexibility in water storage and metering. If a cistern is provided with an operable valve and water is stored inside for long periods, the cistern must be covered to prevent mosquitoes from breeding.

A cistern system with a permanently open outlet can also provide for metering stormwater runoff. If the cistern outlet is significantly smaller than the size of the downspout inlet (say ¼ to ½ inch diameter), runoff will build up inside the cistern during storms, and will empty out slowly after peak intensities subside. This is a feasible way to mitigate the peak flow increases caused by rooftop impervious land coverage, especially for the frequent, small storms.

## Dry wells and Infiltration Trenches

Roof downspouts can be directed to dry wells or infiltration trenches. A dry well is constructed by excavating a hole in the ground and filling it with an open graded aggregate, and allowing the water to fill the dry well and infiltrate after the storm event. An underground connection from the downspout conveys water into the dry well, allowing it to be stored in the voids. To minimize sedimentation from lateral soil movement, the sides and top of the stone storage matrix can be wrapped in a permeable filter fabric, though the bottom may remain open. A perforated observation pipe can be inserted vertically into the dry well to allow for inspection and maintenance.

In practice, dry wells receiving runoff from single roof downspouts have been successful over long periods because they contain very little sediment. They must be sized according to the amount of rooftop runoff received, but are typically 4 to 5 feet square, and 2 to 3 feet deep, with a minimum of 1-foot soil cover over the top (maximum depth of 10 feet).

To protect the foundation, dry wells must be set away from the building at least 10 feet. They must be installed in solids that accommodate infiltration. In poorly drained soils, dry wells have very limited feasibility.

Infiltration trenches function in a similar manner and would be particularly effective for larger roof areas. An infiltration trench is a long, narrow, rock-filled trench with no outlet that receives stormwater runoff. These are described under Treatment Controls.

## Pop-up Drainage Emitter

Roof downspouts can be directed to an underground pipe that daylights some distance from the building foundation, releasing the roof runoff through a pop-up emitter. Similar to a pop-up irrigation head, the emitter only opens when there is flow from the roof. The emitter remains flush to the ground during dry periods, for ease of lawn or landscape maintenance.

## Foundation Planting

Landscape planting can be provided around the base to allow increased opportunities for stormwater infiltration and protect the soil from erosion caused by concentrated sheet flow coming off the roof. Foundation plantings can reduce the physical impact of water on the soil and provide a subsurface matrix of roots that encourage infiltration. These plantings must be sturdy enough to tolerate the heavy runoff sheet flows, and periodic soil saturation.

## Redeveloping Existing Installations

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## Supplemental Information

## Examples

- City of Ottawa's Water Links Surface –Water Quality Protection Program
- City of Toronto Downspout Disconnection Program
- City of Boston, MA, Rain Barrel Demonstration Program

#### Other Resources

Hager, Marty Catherine, Stormwater, "Low-Impact Development", January/February 2003. <a href="https://www.stormh2o.com">www.stormh2o.com</a>

Low Impact Urban Design Tools, Low Impact Development Design Center, Beltsville, MD. <a href="https://www.lid-stormwater.net">www.lid-stormwater.net</a>

Start at the Source, Bay Area Stormwater Management Agencies Association, 1999 Edition



## **Design Objectives**

- Maximize Infiltration
- Provide Retention
- ☑ Slow Runoff

Minimize Impervious Land Coverage

Prohibit Dumping of Improper Materials

Contain Pollutants

Collect and Convey

## Description

Irrigation water provided to landscaped areas may result in excess irrigation water being conveyed into stormwater drainage systems.

## Approach

Project plan designs for development and redevelopment should include application methods of irrigation water that minimize runoff of excess irrigation water into the stormwater conveyance system.

## Suitable Applications

Appropriate applications include residential, commercial and industrial areas planned for development or redevelopment. (Detached residential single-family homes are typically excluded from this requirement.)

## **Design Considerations**

## **Designing New Installations**

The following methods to reduce excessive irrigation runoff should be considered, and incorporated and implemented where determined applicable and feasible by the Permittee:

- Employ rain-triggered shutoff devices to prevent irrigation after precipitation.
- Design irrigation systems to each landscape area's specific water requirements.
- Include design featuring flow reducers or shutoff valves triggered by a pressure drop to control water loss in the event of broken sprinkler heads or lines.
- Implement landscape plans consistent with County or City water conservation resolutions, which may include provision of water sensors, programmable irrigation times (for short cycles), etc.



- Design timing and application methods of irrigation water to minimize the runoff of excess irrigation water into the storm water drainage system.
- Group plants with similar water requirements in order to reduce excess irrigation runoff and promote surface filtration. Choose plants with low irrigation requirements (for example, native or drought tolerant species). Consider design features such as:
  - Using mulches (such as wood chips or bar) in planter areas without ground cover to minimize sediment in runoff
  - Installing appropriate plant materials for the location, in accordance with amount of sunlight and climate, and use native plant materials where possible and/or as recommended by the landscape architect
  - Leaving a vegetative barrier along the property boundary and interior watercourses, to act as a pollutant filter, where appropriate and feasible
  - Choosing plants that minimize or eliminate the use of fertilizer or pesticides to sustain growth
- Employ other comparable, equally effective methods to reduce irrigation water runoff.

## Redeveloping Existing Installations

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#### Other Resources

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#### **Design Objectives**

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## Description

Waste materials dumped into storm drain inlets can have severe impacts on receiving and ground waters. Posting notices regarding discharge prohibitions at storm drain inlets can prevent waste dumping. Storm drain signs and stencils are highly visible source controls that are typically placed directly adjacent to storm drain inlets.

## Approach

The stencil or affixed sign contains a brief statement that prohibits dumping of improper materials into the urban runoff conveyance system. Storm drain messages have become a popular method of alerting the public about the effects of and the prohibitions against waste disposal.

## Suitable Applications

Stencils and signs alert the public to the destination of pollutants discharged to the storm drain. Signs are appropriate in residential, commercial, and industrial areas, as well as any other area where contributions or dumping to storm drains is likely.

## **Design Considerations**

Storm drain message markers or placards are recommended at all storm drain inlets within the boundary of a development project. The marker should be placed in clear sight facing toward anyone approaching the inlet from either side. All storm drain inlet locations should be identified on the development site map.

## Designing New Installations

The following methods should be considered for inclusion in the project design and show on project plans:

 Provide stenciling or labeling of all storm drain inlets and catch basins, constructed or modified, within the project area with prohibitive language. Examples include "NO DUMPING



- DRAINS TO OCEAN" and/or other graphical icons to discourage illegal dumping.
- Post signs with prohibitive language and/or graphical icons, which prohibit illegal dumping at public access points along channels and creeks within the project area.

Note - Some local agencies have approved specific signage and/or storm drain message placards for use. Consult local agency stormwater staff to determine specific requirements for placard types and methods of application.

## Redeveloping Existing Installations

Various jurisdictional stormwater management and mitigation plans (SUSMP, WQMP, etc.) define "redevelopment" in terms of amounts of additional impervious area, increases in gross floor area and/or exterior construction, and land disturbing activities with structural or impervious surfaces. If the project meets the definition of "redevelopment", then the requirements stated under "designing new installations" above should be included in all project design plans.

#### Additional Information

#### Maintenance Considerations

Legibility of markers and signs should be maintained. If required by the agency with
jurisdiction over the project, the owner/operator or homeowner's association should enter
into a maintenance agreement with the agency or record a deed restriction upon the
property title to maintain the legibility of placards or signs.

#### Placement

- Signage on top of curbs tends to weather and fade.
- Signage on face of curbs tends to be worn by contact with vehicle tires and sweeper brooms.

## Supplemental Information

#### Examples

 Most MS4 programs have storm drain signage programs. Some MS4 programs will provide stencils, or arrange for volunteers to stencil storm drains as part of their outreach program.

#### Other Resources

A Manual for the Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan (SUSMP), Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, May 2002.

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## **Design Objectives**

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Collect and Convey

## Description

Several measures can be taken to prevent operations at maintenance bays and loading docks from contributing a variety of toxic compounds, oil and grease, heavy metals, nutrients, suspended solids, and other pollutants to the stormwater conveyance system.

## Approach

In designs for maintenance bays and loading docks, containment is encouraged. Preventative measures include overflow containment structures and dead-end sumps. However, in the case of loading docks from grocery stores and warehouse/distribution centers, engineered infiltration systems may be considered.

## **Suitable Applications**

Appropriate applications include commercial and industrial areas planned for development or redevelopment.

## **Design Considerations**

Design requirements for vehicle maintenance and repair are governed by Building and Fire Codes, and by current local agency ordinances, and zoning requirements. The design criteria described in this fact sheet are meant to enhance and be consistent with these code requirements.

## **Designing New Installations**

Designs of maintenance bays should consider the following:

- Repair/maintenance bays and vehicle parts with fluids should be indoors; or designed to preclude urban run-on and runoff.
- Repair/maintenance floor areas should be paved with Portland cement concrete (or equivalent smooth impervious surface).



# **Maintenance Bays & Docks**

- Repair/maintenance bays should be designed to capture all wash water leaks and spills. Provide impermeable berms, drop inlets, trench catch basins, or overflow containment structures around repair bays to prevent spilled materials and wash-down waters form entering the storm drain system. Connect drains to a sump for collection and disposal. Direct connection of the repair/maintenance bays to the storm drain system is prohibited. If required by local jurisdiction, obtain an Industrial Waste Discharge Permit.
- Other features may be comparable and equally effective.

The following designs of loading/unloading dock areas should be considered:

- Loading dock areas should be covered, or drainage should be designed to preclude urban run-on and runoff.
- Direct connections into storm drains from depressed loading docks (truck wells) are prohibited.
- Below-grade loading docks from grocery stores and warehouse/distribution centers of fresh
  food items should drain through water quality inlets, or to an engineered infiltration system,
  or an equally effective alternative. Pre-treatment may also be required.
- Other features may be comparable and equally effective.

## Redeveloping Existing Installations

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#### Additional Information

Stormwater and non-stormwater will accumulate in containment areas and sumps with impervious surfaces. Contaminated accumulated water must be disposed of in accordance with applicable laws and cannot be discharged directly to the storm drain or sanitary sewer system without the appropriate permit.

#### Other Resources

A Manual for the Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan (SUSMP), Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, May 2002.

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## Description

Trash storage areas are areas where a trash receptacle (s) are located for use as a repository for solid wastes. Stormwater runoff from areas where trash is stored or disposed of can be polluted. In addition, loose trash and debris can be easily transported by water or wind into nearby storm drain inlets, channels, and/or creeks. Waste handling operations that may be sources of stormwater pollution include dumpsters, litter control, and waste piles.

## Approach

This fact sheet contains details on the specific measures required to prevent or reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff associated with trash storage and handling. Preventative measures including enclosures, containment structures, and impervious pavements to mitigate spills, should be used to reduce the likelihood of contamination.

## **Design Objectives**

Maximize Infiltration

Provide Retention

Slow Runoff

Minimize Impervious Land

Coverage

Prohibit Dumping of Improper

Materials

Contain Pollutants

Collect and Convey

## **Suitable Applications**

Appropriate applications include residential, commercial and industrial areas planned for development or redevelopment. (Detached residential single-family homes are typically excluded from this requirement.)

## **Design Considerations**

Design requirements for waste handling areas are governed by Building and Fire Codes, and by current local agency ordinances and zoning requirements. The design criteria described in this fact sheet are meant to enhance and be consistent with these code and ordinance requirements. Hazardous waste should be handled in accordance with legal requirements established in Title 22, California Code of Regulation.

Wastes from commercial and industrial sites are typically hauled by either public or commercial carriers that may have design or access requirements for waste storage areas. The design criteria in this fact sheet are recommendations and are not intended to be in conflict with requirements established by the waste hauler. The waste hauler should be contacted prior to the design of your site trash collection areas. Conflicts or issues should be discussed with the local agency.

## **Designing New Installations**

Trash storage areas should be designed to consider the following structural or treatment control BMPs:

- Design trash container areas so that drainage from adjoining roofs and pavement is diverted around the area(s) to avoid run-on. This might include berming or grading the waste handling area to prevent run-on of stormwater.
- Make sure trash container areas are screened or walled to prevent off-site transport of trash.



- Use lined bins or dumpsters to reduce leaking of liquid waste.
- Provide roofs, awnings, or attached lids on all trash containers to minimize direct precipitation and prevent rainfall from entering containers.
- Pave trash storage areas with an impervious surface to mitigate spills.
- Do not locate storm drains in immediate vicinity of the trash storage area.
- Post signs on all dumpsters informing users that hazardous materials are not to be disposed
  of therein.

## Redeveloping Existing Installations

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#### Additional Information

#### **Maintenance Considerations**

The integrity of structural elements that are subject to damage (i.e., screens, covers, and signs) must be maintained by the owner/operator. Maintenance agreements between the local agency and the owner/operator may be required. Some agencies will require maintenance deed restrictions to be recorded of the property title. If required by the local agency, maintenance agreements or deed restrictions must be executed by the owner/operator before improvement plans are approved.

#### Other Resources

A Manual for the Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan (SUSMP), Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, May 2002.

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Description and Purpose	Descri	ption	and	Purpo	se
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Street sweeping and vacuuming includes use of self-propelled and walk-behind equipment to remove sediment from streets and roadways, and to clean paved surfaces in preparation for final paving. Sweeping and vacuuming prevents sediment from the project site from entering storm drains or receiving waters.

## **Suitable Applications**

Sweeping and vacuuming are suitable anywhere sediment is tracked from the project site onto public or private paved streets and roads, typically at points of egress. Sweeping and vacuuming are also applicable during preparation of paved surfaces for final paving.

#### Limitations

Sweeping and vacuuming may not be effective when sediment is wet or when tracked soil is caked (caked soil may need to be scraped loose).

#### Implementation

- Controlling the number of points where vehicles can leave the site will allow sweeping and vacuuming efforts to be focused, and perhaps save money.
- Inspect potential sediment tracking locations daily.
- Visible sediment tracking should be swept or vacuumed on a daily basis.
- Do not use kick brooms or sweeper attachments. These tend to spread the dirt rather than remove it.

## Categories

EC	Erosion Control			
SE	Sediment Control	x		
TC	Tracking Control			
WE	Wind Erosion Control			
NS Non-Stormwater Management Control				
WM				

#### Legend:

- ☑ Primary Objective
- Secondary Objective

## **Targeted Constituents**

Sediment	
Nutrients	
Trash	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$
Metals	
Bacteria	
Oil and Grease	V
Organics	

#### **Potential Alternatives**

None



 If not mixed with debris or trash, consider incorporating the removed sediment back into the project

#### Costs

Rental rates for self-propelled sweepers vary depending on hopper size and duration of rental. Expect rental rates from \$58/hour (3 yd³ hopper) to \$88/hour (9 yd³ hopper), plus operator costs. Hourly production rates vary with the amount of area to be swept and amount of sediment. Match the hopper size to the area and expect sediment load to minimize time spent dumping.

## **Inspection and Maintenance**

- Inspect BMPs in accordance with General Permit requirements for the associated project type and risk level. It is recommended that at a minimum, BMPs be inspected weekly, prior to forecasted rain events, daily during extended rain events, and after the conclusion of rain events.
- When actively in use, points of ingress and egress must be inspected daily.
- When tracked or spilled sediment is observed outside the construction limits, it must be removed at least daily. More frequent removal, even continuous removal, may be required in some jurisdictions.
- Be careful not to sweep up any unknown substance or any object that may be potentially hazardous.
- Adjust brooms frequently; maximize efficiency of sweeping operations.
- After sweeping is finished, properly dispose of sweeper wastes at an approved dumpsite.

#### References

Stormwater Quality Handbooks - Construction Site Best Management Practices (BMPs) Manual, State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), November 2000.

Labor Surcharge and Equipment Rental Rates, State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), April 1, 2002 – March 31, 2003.

# **Attachment D Infiltration Report**

April 1, 2021

Hillwood 901 Via Piemonte, Suite 175 Ontario, California 91764

Attention: Mr. Josh Cox

Vice President, Development

Project No.: **21G128-2** 

Subject: Results of Infiltration Testing

Proposed Warehouse

SWC Lugonia Avenue and California Street

Redlands, California

Reference: Geotechnical Investigation, Proposed Warehouse, SEC Lugonia Avenue and

<u>California Street, Redlands, California</u>, prepared for Hillwood, by Southern California Geotechnical, Inc. (SCG), SCG Project No. 21G128-1, dated April 1,

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Mr. Cox:

In accordance with your request, we have conducted infiltration testing at the subject site. We are pleased to present this report summarizing the results of the infiltration testing and our design recommendations.

#### **Scope of Services**

The scope of services performed for this project was in general accordance with our Proposal No. 21P168R, dated March 2, 2021. The scope of services included site reconnaissance, subsurface exploration, field testing, and engineering analysis to determine the infiltration rates of the onsite soils. The infiltration testing was performed in general accordance with the <u>Technical Guidance Document for Water Quality Management Plans</u> prepared for the County of San Bernardino Areawide Stormwater Program dated June 7, 2013. The San Bernardino County standards defer to guidelines published by Riverside County Department of Environmental Health (RCDEH).

#### **Site and Project Description**

The site is located at the southwest corner of Lugonia Avenue and California Street in Redlands, California. The site is bounded to the north by Lugonia Avenue, to the west by an existing warehouse, to the south by the west-bound on-ramp to Interstate 10, and to the east by California Street. The general location of the site is illustrated on the Site Location Map, included as Plate 1 of this report.

The site consists of a rectangular-shaped parcel,  $13.1\pm$  acres in size. The site is the former Splash Kingdom Waterpark which was abandoned by the time of our subsurface exploration. The site includes tall water slides, pools, a go-kart track, a miniature golf course, and a 2-story concrete building. The building is approximately 30,000 ft² in size and is located in the south-central area

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of the site. The ground surface cover in the western half of the site, surrounding the water slides, consists of Portland cement concrete (PCC) walkways and the ground surface cover in the eastern half of the site consists of asphaltic concrete in the parking and drive lanes. Areas of landscaping, including sparse to moderate grass, weeds, shrubs and palm trees are located through the site.

Detailed topographic information was not available at the time of this report. However, based on regional topographic data obtained from the USGS Redlands Quadrangle Topographic Map, the overall site topography slopes gently downward to the west a gradient of about 1 percent. The maximum topographic relief for the site is estimated to be about 5 feet.

#### **Proposed Development**

A conceptual site plan for the proposed development was provided to our office by the client. Based on this plan, the site will be developed with one (1) warehouse building. The building will be  $350,360 \pm \text{ ft}^2$  in size and will be located in the central area of the subject site. Dock-high doors will be constructed along a portion of the west building wall. The building will be surrounded by asphaltic concrete pavements in the parking and drive areas, Portland cement concrete pavements in the truck court areas, and limited areas of concrete flatwork and landscape planters throughout.

We understand that the proposed development may include on-site infiltration to dispose of storm water. Based on information provided by the project civil engineer, the system will likely consist of below-grade chambers, located in the western and northwestern regions of the site. The bottom of the proposed systems will be approximately 10 feet below the existing site grades.

#### **Concurrent Study**

SCG recently conducted a geotechnical investigation at the subject site, which is referenced above. As part of this study, six (6) borings were advanced to depths of 15 to  $30\pm$  feet below existing site grades. Artificial fill soils were encountered beneath the pavements or at the ground surface at all of the boring locations. The fill soils extend to depths of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $8\pm$  feet and generally consist of loose to dense silty fine sands. The fill soils possess varying densities, with some of the borings possessing PCC fragments, resulting in their classification as artificial fill. Native alluvial soils were encountered beneath the fill soils at all of the boring locations, extending to at least the maximum depth explored of  $30\pm$  feet. The alluvial soils generally consist of loose to medium dense silty sands, sandy silts and fine to coarse sands, with varying silt and gravel content.

#### **Subsurface Exploration**

#### Scope of Exploration

The subsurface exploration conducted for the infiltration testing consisted of three (3) infiltration test borings, advanced to a depth of  $10\pm$  feet below the existing site grades. The infiltration borings were advanced using a truck-mounted drilling rig, equipped with 8-inch-diameter hollow stem augers and were logged during drilling by a member of our staff. The approximate locations of the infiltration test borings (identified as I-1 through I-3) are indicated on the Infiltration Test Location Plan, enclosed as Plate 2 of this report.



Upon the completion of the infiltration borings, the bottom of each test boring was covered with 2± inches of clean ¾-inch gravel. A sufficient length of 3-inch-diameter perforated PVC casing was then placed into each test hole so that the PVC casing extended from the bottom of the test hole to the ground surface. Clean ¾-inch gravel was then installed in the annulus surrounding the PVC casing.

#### **Geotechnical Conditions**

Artificial fill soils were encountered at the ground surface at all of the infiltration boring locations, extending to depths of  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to  $8\pm$  feet below the existing site grades. The artificial fill soils consist of loose to dense silty fine sands. These materials possess varying densities and strengths, with Infiltration Test Boring No. I-2 encountering PCC fragments, resulting in their classification as artificial fill. Native alluvial soils were encountered beneath the artificial fill soils at all of the boring locations, extending to the maximum depth explored of  $10\pm$  feet. The alluvium generally consists of very loose to medium dense silty fine sands, with varying medium sand content. The Boring Logs, which illustrate the conditions encountered at the infiltration test locations, are included with this report.

## **Infiltration Testing**

As previously mentioned, the infiltration testing was performed in general accordance with <u>Technical Guidance Document for Water Quality Management Plans, prepared for the County of San Bernardino Areawide Stormwater Program.</u>

## Pre-soaking

In accordance with the county infiltration standards for sandy soils, all infiltration test borings were pre-soaked 2 hours prior to the infiltration testing or until all of the water had percolated through the test holes. The pre-soaking process consisted of filling test borings by inverting a full 5-gallon bottle of clear water supported over each hole so that the water flow into the hole holds constant at a level at least 5 times the hole's radius above the gravel at the bottom of each hole. Pre-soaking was completed after all of the water had percolated through the test holes.

#### **Infiltration Testing**

Following the pre-soaking process of the infiltration test borings, SCG performed the infiltration testing. Each test hole was filled with water to a depth of at least 5 times the hole's radius above the gravel at the bottom of the test holes. In accordance with the San Bernardino County guidelines, since "sandy soils" were encountered at the bottom of both infiltration test borings (where 6 inches of water infiltrated into the surrounding soils for two consecutive 25-minute readings), readings were taken at 10-minute intervals for a total of 1 hour at both test locations. After each reading, water was added to the borings so that the depth of the water was at least 5 times the radius of the hole. The water level readings are presented on the spreadsheets enclosed with this report. The infiltration rates for each of the timed intervals are also tabulated on the spreadsheets.

The infiltration rates from the test are tabulated in inches per hour. In accordance with the typically accepted practice, it is recommended that the most conservative reading from the latter



part of the infiltration tests be used as the design infiltration rate. The rates are summarized below:

<u>Infiltration</u> <u>Test No.</u>	<u>Depth</u> (feet)	Soil Description	<u>Infiltration Rate</u> (inches/hour)
I-1	10	Light Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace medium Sand	1.6
I-2	10	Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace medium Sand	1.8
I-3	10	Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, little medium Sand	2.2

#### **Laboratory Testing**

#### Moisture Content

The moisture contents for the recovered soil samples within the borings were determined in accordance with ASTM D-2216 and are expressed as a percentage of the dry weight. These test results are presented on the Boring Logs.

#### **Grain Size Analysis**

The grain size distribution of selected soils collected from the base of each infiltration test boring have been determined using a range of wire mesh screens. These tests were performed in general accordance with ASTM D-422 and/or ASTM D-1140. The weight of the portion of the sample retained on each screen is recorded and the percentage finer or coarser of the total weight is calculated. The results of these tests are presented on Plates C-1 through C-3 of this report.

#### **Design Recommendations**

Three (3) infiltration tests were performed at the subject site. As noted above, the calculated infiltration rates at the infiltration test locations are range from 1.6 to 2.2 inches per hour. **Based on the results of infiltration testing, we recommend an infiltration rate of 1.6 inches per hour be used for the design of the proposed infiltration systems located in the western and northwestern regions of the subject site, if the bottom of the infiltration systems extend to 10± feet below the existing site grades.** 

We recommend that a representative from the geotechnical engineer be on-site during the construction of the proposed infiltration system to identify the soil classification at the base of the infiltration basin. It should be confirmed that the soils at the base of the proposed infiltration system corresponds with those presented in this report to ensure that the performance of the system will be consistent with the rates reported herein.

The design of the proposed storm water infiltration system should be performed by the project civil engineer, in accordance with the City of Redlands and/or County of San Bernardino



guidelines. However, it is recommended that the systems be constructed so as to facilitate removal of silt and clay, or other deleterious materials from any water that may enter the system. The presence of such materials would decrease the effective infiltration rates. It is recommended that the project civil engineer apply an appropriate factor of safety. The infiltration rate recommended above is based on the assumption that only clean water will be introduced to the subsurface profile. Any fines, debris, or organic materials could significantly impact the infiltration rate. It should be noted that the recommended infiltration rate is based on infiltration testing at three (3) discrete locations, and the overall infiltration rate of the storm water infiltration system could vary considerably.

#### **Infiltration Rate Considerations**

The infiltration rate presented herein was determined in accordance with the San Bernardino County guidelines and is considered valid only for the time and place of the actual test. Varying subsurface conditions will exist in other areas of the site, which could alter the recommended infiltration rates presented above. The infiltration rates will decline over time between maintenance cycles as silt or clay particles accumulate on the BMP surface. The infiltration rate is highly dependent upon a number of factors, including density, silt and clay content, grainsize distribution throughout the range of particle sizes, and particle shape. Small changes in these factors can cause large changes in the infiltration rates.

Infiltration rates are based on unsaturated flow. As water is introduced into soils by infiltration, the soils become saturated and the wetting front advances from the unsaturated zone to the saturated zone. Once the soils become saturated, infiltration rates become zero, and water can only move through soils by hydraulic conductivity at a rate determined by pressure head and soil permeability. Changes in soil moisture content will affect the infiltration rate. Infiltration rates should be expected to decrease until the soils become saturated. Soil permeability values will then govern groundwater movement. Permeability values may be on the order of 10 to 20 times less than infiltration rates. The system designer should incorporate adequate factors of safety and allow for overflow design into appropriate traditional storm drain systems, which would transport storm water off-site.

#### **Construction Considerations**

The infiltration rates presented in this report are specific to the tested locations and tested depths. Infiltration rates can be significantly reduced if the soils are exposed to excessive disturbance or compaction during construction. Compaction of the soils at the bottom of the infiltration system can significantly reduce the infiltration ability of the basins. Therefore, the subgrade soils within proposed infiltration system areas should not be over-excavated, undercut or compacted in any significant manner. It is recommended that a note to this effect be added to the project plans and/or specifications.

We recommend that a representative from the geotechnical engineer be on-site during the construction of the proposed infiltration systems to identify the soil classification at the base of each system. It should be confirmed that the soils at the base of the proposed infiltration systems correspond with those presented in this report to ensure that the performance of the systems will be consistent with the rates reported herein.



We recommend that scrapers and other rubber-tired heavy equipment not be operated on the basin bottom, or at levels lower than 2 feet above the bottom of the system, particularly within basins. As such, the bottom 24 inches of the infiltration systems should be excavated with non-rubber-tired equipment, such as excavators.

#### **Basin Maintenance**

The proposed project may include infiltration basins. Water flowing into these basins will carry some level of sediment. Wind-blown sediments and erosion of the basin side walls will also contribute to sediment deposition at the bottom of the basin. This layer has the potential to significantly reduce the infiltration rate of the basin subgrade soils. Therefore, a formal basin maintenance program should be established to ensure that these silt and clay deposits are removed from the basin on a regular basis. Appropriate vegetation on the basin sidewalls and bottom may reduce erosion and sediment deposition.

Basin maintenance should also include measures to prevent animal burrows, and to repair any burrows or damage caused by such. Animal burrows in the basin sidewalls can significantly increase the risk of erosion and piping failures.

#### **Location of Infiltration Systems**

The use of on-site storm water infiltration systems carries a risk of creating adverse geotechnical conditions. Increasing the moisture content of the soil can cause the soil to lose internal shear strength and increase its compressibility, resulting in a change in the designed engineering properties. Overlying structures and pavements in the infiltration area could potentially be damaged due to saturation of the subgrade soils. **The proposed infiltration systems for this site should be located at least 25 feet away from any structures, including retaining walls.** Even with this provision of locating the infiltration system at least 25 feet from the building(s), it is possible that infiltrating water into the subsurface soils could have an adverse effect on the proposed or existing structures. It should also be noted that utility trenches which happen to collect storm water can also serve as conduits to transmit storm water toward the structure, depending on the slope of the utility trench. Therefore, consideration should also be given to the proposed locations of underground utilities which may pass near the proposed infiltration system.

The infiltration system designer should also give special consideration to the effect that the proposed infiltration systems may have on nearby subterranean structures, open excavations, or descending slopes. In particular, infiltration systems should not be located near the crest of descending slopes, particularly where the slopes are comprised of granular soils. Such systems will require specialized design and analysis to evaluate the potential for slope instability, piping failures and other phenomena that typically apply to earthen dam design. This type of analysis is beyond the scope of this infiltration test report, but these factors should be considered by the infiltration system designer when locating the infiltration systems.

#### **General Comments**

This report has been prepared as an instrument of service for use by the client in order to aid in the evaluation of this property and to assist the architects and engineers in the design and preparation of the project plans and specifications. This report may be provided to the contractor(s) and other design consultants to disclose information relative to the project.



However, this report is not intended to be utilized as a specification in and of itself, without appropriate interpretation by the project architect, structural engineer, and/or civil engineer. The design of the infiltration system is the responsibility of the civil engineer. The role of the geotechnical engineer is limited to determination of infiltration rate only. By using the design infiltration rates contained herein, the civil engineer agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the geotechnical engineer for all aspects of the design and performance of the infiltration system. The reproduction and distribution of this report must be authorized by the client and Southern California Geotechnical, Inc. Furthermore, any reliance on this report by an unauthorized third party is at such party's sole risk, and we accept no responsibility for damage or loss which may occur. The analysis of this site was based on a subsurface profile interpolated from limited discrete soil samples. While the materials encountered in the project area are considered to be representative of the total area, some variations should be expected between trench locations and testing depths. If the conditions encountered during construction vary significantly from those detailed herein, we should be contacted immediately to determine if the conditions alter the recommendations contained herein.

This report has been based on assumed or provided characteristics of the proposed development. It is recommended that the owner, client, architect, structural engineer, and civil engineer carefully review these assumptions to ensure that they are consistent with the characteristics of the proposed development. If discrepancies exist, they should be brought to our attention to verify that they do not affect the conclusions and recommendations contained herein. We also recommend that the project plans and specifications be submitted to our office for review to verify that our recommendations have been correctly interpreted. The analysis, conclusions, and recommendations contained within this report have been promulgated in accordance with generally accepted professional geotechnical engineering practice. No other warranty is implied or expressed.



## **Closure**

We sincerely appreciate the opportunity to be of service on this project. We look forward to providing additional consulting services during the course of the project. If we may be of further assistance in any manner, please contact our office.

No. 2655

Respectfully Submitted,

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Enclosures: Plate 1 - Site Location Map

Plate 2 - Infiltration Test Location Plan Boring Log Legend and Logs (5 pages)

Infiltration Test Results Spreadsheets (3 pages)

Grain Size Distribution Graphs (3 pages)







## SITE LOCATION MAP

PROPOSED WAREHOUSE

REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA

SCALE: 1" = 2000'

DRAWN: PM CHKD: RGT

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PLATE 1



SOURCE: USGS TOPOGRAPHIC MAP OF THE REDLANDS QUADRANGLE, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, 2018.



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# **BORING LOG LEGEND**

SAMPLE TYPE	GRAPHICAL SYMBOL	SAMPLE DESCRIPTION
AUGER		SAMPLE COLLECTED FROM AUGER CUTTINGS, NO FIELD MEASUREMENT OF SOIL STRENGTH. (DISTURBED)
CORE		ROCK CORE SAMPLE: TYPICALLY TAKEN WITH A DIAMOND-TIPPED CORE BARREL. TYPICALLY USED ONLY IN HIGHLY CONSOLIDATED BEDROCK.
GRAB	SW.	SOIL SAMPLE TAKEN WITH NO SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS FROM A STOCKPILE OR THE GROUND SURFACE. (DISTURBED)
CS		CALIFORNIA SAMPLER: 2-1/2 INCH I.D. SPLIT BARREL SAMPLER, LINED WITH 1-INCH HIGH BRASS RINGS. DRIVEN WITH SPT HAMMER. (RELATIVELY UNDISTURBED)
NSR		NO RECOVERY: THE SAMPLING ATTEMPT DID NOT RESULT IN RECOVERY OF ANY SIGNIFICANT SOIL OR ROCK MATERIAL.
SPT		STANDARD PENETRATION TEST: SAMPLER IS A 1.4 INCH INSIDE DIAMETER SPLIT BARREL, DRIVEN 18 INCHES WITH THE SPT HAMMER. (DISTURBED)
SH		SHELBY TUBE: TAKEN WITH A THIN WALL SAMPLE TUBE, PUSHED INTO THE SOIL AND THEN EXTRACTED. (UNDISTURBED)
VANE		VANE SHEAR TEST: SOIL STRENGTH OBTAINED USING A 4 BLADED SHEAR DEVICE. TYPICALLY USED IN SOFT CLAYS-NO SAMPLE RECOVERED.

#### **COLUMN DESCRIPTIONS**

**DEPTH:** Distance in feet below the ground surface.

**SAMPLE**: Sample Type as depicted above.

**BLOW COUNT**: Number of blows required to advance the sampler 12 inches using a 140 lb

hammer with a 30-inch drop. 50/3" indicates penetration refusal (>50 blows) at 3 inches. WH indicates that the weight of the hammer was sufficient to

push the sampler 6 inches or more.

**POCKET PEN.**: Approximate shear strength of a cohesive soil sample as measured by pocket

penetrometer.

**GRAPHIC LOG**: Graphic Soil Symbol as depicted on the following page.

**DRY DENSITY**: Dry density of an undisturbed or relatively undisturbed sample in lbs/ft<sup>3</sup>.

**MOISTURE CONTENT**: Moisture content of a soil sample, expressed as a percentage of the dry weight.

**LIQUID LIMIT**: The moisture content above which a soil behaves as a liquid.

**PLASTIC LIMIT**: The moisture content above which a soil behaves as a plastic.

**PASSING #200 SIEVE**: The percentage of the sample finer than the #200 standard sieve.

**UNCONFINED SHEAR**: The shear strength of a cohesive soil sample, as measured in the unconfined state.

## **SOIL CLASSIFICATION CHART**

MA IOD DIVIGIONS		SYMBOLS		TYPICAL	
MAJOR DIVISIONS			GRAPH	LETTER	DESCRIPTIONS
	GRAVEL AND	CLEAN GRAVELS		GW	WELL-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES
	GRAVELLY SOILS	(LITTLE OR NO FINES)	12/10/02/10	GP	POORLY-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES
COARSE GRAINED SOILS	MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE	GRAVELS WITH FINES		GM	SILTY GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND - SILT MIXTURES
	FRACTION RETAINED ON NO. 4 SIEVE	(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)		GC	CLAYEY GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND - CLAY MIXTURES
MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS	SAND AND	CLEAN SANDS		SW	WELL-GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SANDS, LITTLE OR NO FINES
LARGER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE SIZE	SANDY SOILS	(LITTLE OR NO FINES)		SP	POORLY-GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SAND, LITTLE OR NO FINES
	MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION	SANDS WITH FINES		SM	SILTY SANDS, SAND - SILT MIXTURES
	PASSING ON NO. 4 SIEVE	(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)		sc	CLAYEY SANDS, SAND - CLAY MIXTURES
		LIQUID LIMIT LESS THAN 50		ML	INORGANIC SILTS AND VERY FINE SANDS, ROCK FLOUR, SILTY OR CLAYEY FINE SANDS OR CLAYEY SILTS WITH SLIGHT PLASTICITY
FINE GRAINED SOILS	SILTS AND CLAYS			CL	INORGANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO MEDIUM PLASTICITY, GRAVELLY CLAYS, SANDY CLAYS, SILTY CLAYS, LEAN CLAYS
				OL	ORGANIC SILTS AND ORGANIC SILTY CLAYS OF LOW PLASTICITY
MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS SMALLER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE	SILTS AND CLAYS	LIQUID LIMIT GREATER THAN 50		МН	INORGANIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR DIATOMACEOUS FINE SAND OR SILTY SOILS
SIZE				СН	INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH PLASTICITY
				ОН	ORGANIC CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY, ORGANIC SILTS
HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS		\(\frac{1}{1}\) \(\frac{1}\) \(\frac{1}{1}\) \(\frac{1}\)	РТ	PEAT, HUMUS, SWAMP SOILS WITH HIGH ORGANIC CONTENTS	



JOB NO.: 21G128-2 DRILLING DATE: 3/9/21 WATER DEPTH: Dry PROJECT: Proposed Warehouse DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Auger CAVE DEPTH: N/A LOCATION: Redlands, California LOGGED BY: Ryan Bremer READING TAKEN: At Completion FIELD RESULTS LABORATORY RESULTS **GRAPHIC LOG** DRY DENSITY (PCF) POCKET PEN. (TSF) MOISTURE CONTENT (%) ORGANIC CONTENT (%) DEPTH (FEET) **BLOW COUNT** PASSING #200 SIEVE ( COMMENTS **DESCRIPTION** PLASTIC LIMIT SAMPLE LIQUID SURFACE ELEVATION: --- MSL FILL: Brown Silty fine Sand, trace medium to coarse Sand, some Portland Cement Concrete fragments, loose-damp to 5 8 5 8 ALLUVIUM: Light Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace medium Sand, loose-damp 5 Boring Terminated at 10' IBL 21G128-2.GPJ SOCALGEO.GDT 4/1/21



JOB NO.: 21G128-2 DRILLING DATE: 3/9/21 WATER DEPTH: Dry PROJECT: Proposed Warehouse DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Auger CAVE DEPTH: N/A LOCATION: Redlands, California LOGGED BY: Ryan Bremer READING TAKEN: At Completion FIELD RESULTS LABORATORY RESULTS DRY DENSITY (PCF) POCKET PEN. (TSF) GRAPHIC LOG MOISTURE CONTENT (%) ORGANIC CONTENT (%) DEPTH (FEET) **BLOW COUNT** PASSING #200 SIEVE ( COMMENTS **DESCRIPTION** PLASTIC LIMIT SAMPLE SURFACE ELEVATION: --- MSL FILL: Brown Silty fine Sand, trace medium to coarse Sand, medium dense-dry to damp 22 3 ALLUVIUM: Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace medium Sand, 10 4 medium dense-damp 10 4 Boring Terminated at 10' IBL 21G128-2.GPJ SOCALGEO.GDT 4/1/21



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# **INFILTRATION CALCULATIONS**

Project Name Proposed Warehouse
Project Location Redlands, California
Project Number 21G128-2
Engineer Jose Zuniga

Test Hole Radius 4 (in)
Test Depth 10 (ft)

Infiltration Test Hole I-I

Interval Number		Time	Time Interval (min)	Water Depth (ft)	Change in Water Level (ft)	Average Head Height (ft)	Infiltration Rate Q (in/hr)
P1	Initial	10:38 AM	10.0	8.00	0.45	1.78	2.78
	Final	10:48 AM	10.0	8.45	0.45	1.70	2.70
P2	Initial	10:50 AM	10.0	8.00	0.40	1.80	2.44
ΓZ	Final	11:00 AM	10.0	8.40	0.40	1.60	2.44
3	Initial	11:08 AM	10.0	8.00	0.36	1.82	2.17
3	Final	11:18 AM		8.36			
2	Initial	11:29 AM	10.0	8.00	0.30	1.85	1.79
_	Final	11:39 AM	10.0	8.30			
3	Initial	11:43 AM	10.0	8.00	0.29	1.86	1.72
3	Final	11:53 AM	10.0	8.29	0.29	1.00	1.72
4	Initial	11:54 AM	10.0	8.00	0.28	1.86	1.66
-	Final	12:04 PM	10.0	8.28	0.20	1.00	1.00
5	Initial	12:05 PM	10.0	8.00	0.27	1.86	1.60
3	Final	12:15 PM	10.0	8.28	0.27	1.00	1.00
6	Initial	12:17 PM	10.0	8.00	0.27	1 96	1.60
Ü	Final	12:27 PM	10.0	8.28	0.27	1.86	1.00

Per County Standards, Infiltration Rate calculated as follows:

$$Q = \frac{\Delta H(60r)}{\Delta t(r + 2H_{avg})}$$

Where: Q = Infiltration Rate (in inches per hour)

 $\Delta H$  = Change in Height (Water Level) over the time interval

r = Test Hole (Borehole) Radius

 $\Delta t$  = Time Interval

 $H_{avg}$  = Average Head Height over the time interval

# **INFILTRATION CALCULATIONS**

Project Name Proposed Warehouse
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Engineer Jose Zuniga

Test Hole Radius 4 (in)
Test Depth 10 (ft)

Infiltration Test Hole I-2

Interval Number		Time	Time Interval (min)	Water Depth (ft)	Change in Water Level (ft)	Average Head Height (ft)	Infiltration Rate Q (in/hr)
P1	Initial	9:10 AM	10.0	8.00	0.44	1.78	2.71
	Final	9:20 AM	10.0	8.44	0.44	1.70	2.71
P2	Initial	9:21 AM	10.0	8.00	0.42	1.79	2.58
ΓZ	Final	9:31 AM	10.0	8.42	0.42	1.79	2.56
1	Initial	9:34 AM	10.0	8.00	0.40	1.80	2.44
ľ	Final	9:44 AM		8.40			
2	Initial	9:45 AM	10.0	8.00	0.38	1.81	2.31
_	Final	9:55 AM	10.0	8.38			
3	Initial	9:59 AM	10.0	8.00	0.35	1.83	2.11
3	Final	10:09 AM	10.0	8.35	0.33	1.03	2.11
4	Initial	10:12 AM	10.0	8.00	0.30	1.85	1.79
4	Final	10:22 AM	10.0	8.30	0.30	1.05	1.79
5	Initial	10:31 AM	10.0	8.00	0.30	1.85	1.79
9	Final	10:41 AM	10.0	8.30	0.30	1.00	1.79
6	Initial	10:44 AM	10.0	8.00	0.30	1 05	1.79
0	Final	10:54 AM	10.0	8.30	0.30	1.85	1.79

Per County Standards, Infiltration Rate calculated as follows:

$$Q = \frac{\Delta H(60r)}{\Delta t(r + 2H_{avg})}$$

Where: Q = Infiltration Rate (in inches per hour)

 $\Delta H$  = Change in Height (Water Level) over the time interval

r = Test Hole (Borehole) Radius

 $\Delta t$  = Time Interval

 $H_{avg}$  = Average Head Height over the time interval

# **INFILTRATION CALCULATIONS**

Project Name Proposed Warehouse
Project Location Redlands, California
Project Number 21G128-2
Engineer Jose Zuniga

Test Hole Radius 4 (in)
Test Depth 10 (ft)

Infiltration Test Hole I-3

Interval Number		Time	Time Interval (min)	Water Depth (ft)	Change in Water Level (ft)	Average Head Height (ft)	Infiltration Rate Q (in/hr)
P1	Initial	12:26 PM	10.0	8.00	0.55	1.73	3.49
I I	Final	12:36 PM	10.0	8.55	0.55	1.75	3.49
P2	Initial	12:38 PM	10.0	8.00	0.45	1.78	2.78
FZ	Final	12:48 PM	10.0	8.45	0.45	1.70	2.76
1	Initial	12:50 PM	10.0	8.00	0.40	1.80	2.44
	Final	1:00 PM		8.40			
2	Initial	1:01 PM	10.0	8.00	0.38	1.81	2.31
	Final	1:11 PM	10.0	8.38			
3	Initial	1:11 PM	10.0	8.00	0.37	1.82	2.24
3	Final	1:21 PM	10.0	8.37	0.37		
4	Initial	1:22 PM	10.0	8.00	0.36	1.82	2.17
4	Final	1:32 PM	10.0	8.36		1.02	2.17
5	Initial	1:33 PM	10.0	8.00	0.36	1.82	2.17
5	Final	1:43 PM	10.0	8.36	0.36	1.02	2.17
6	Initial	1:44 PM	10.0	8.00	0.26	1.00	0.17
Ö	Final	1:54 PM	10.0	8.36	0.36	1.82	2.17

Per County Standards, Infiltration Rate calculated as follows:

$$Q = \frac{\Delta H(60r)}{\Delta t(r + 2H_{avg})}$$

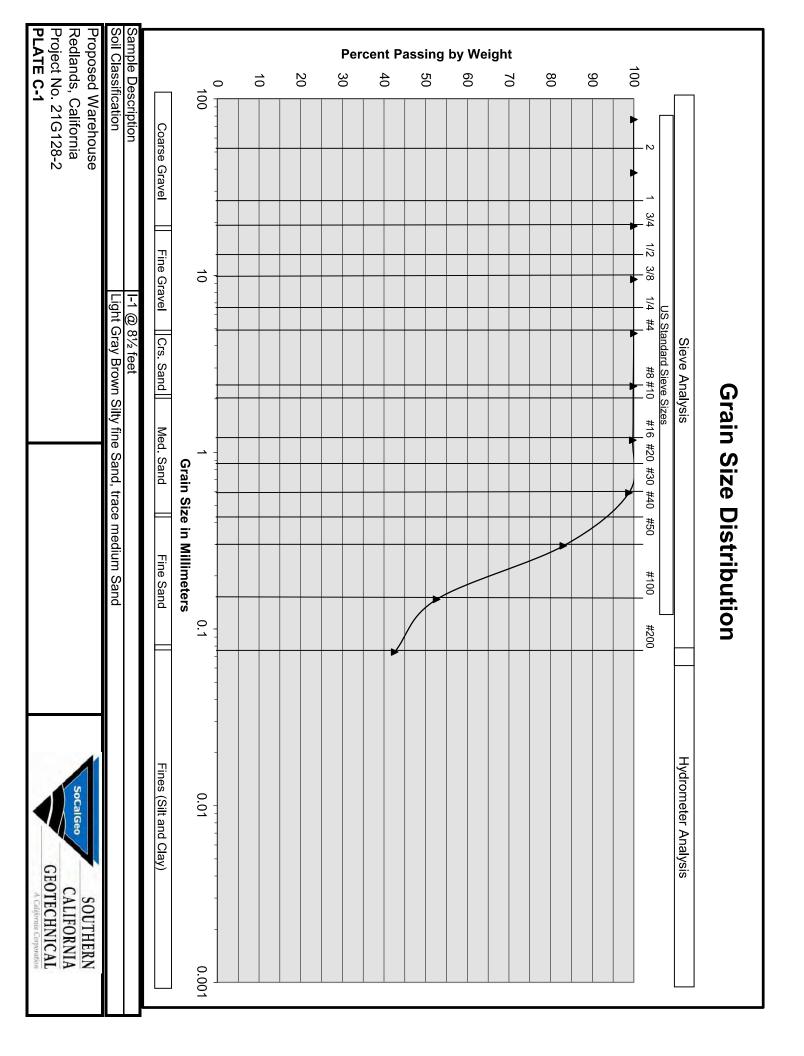
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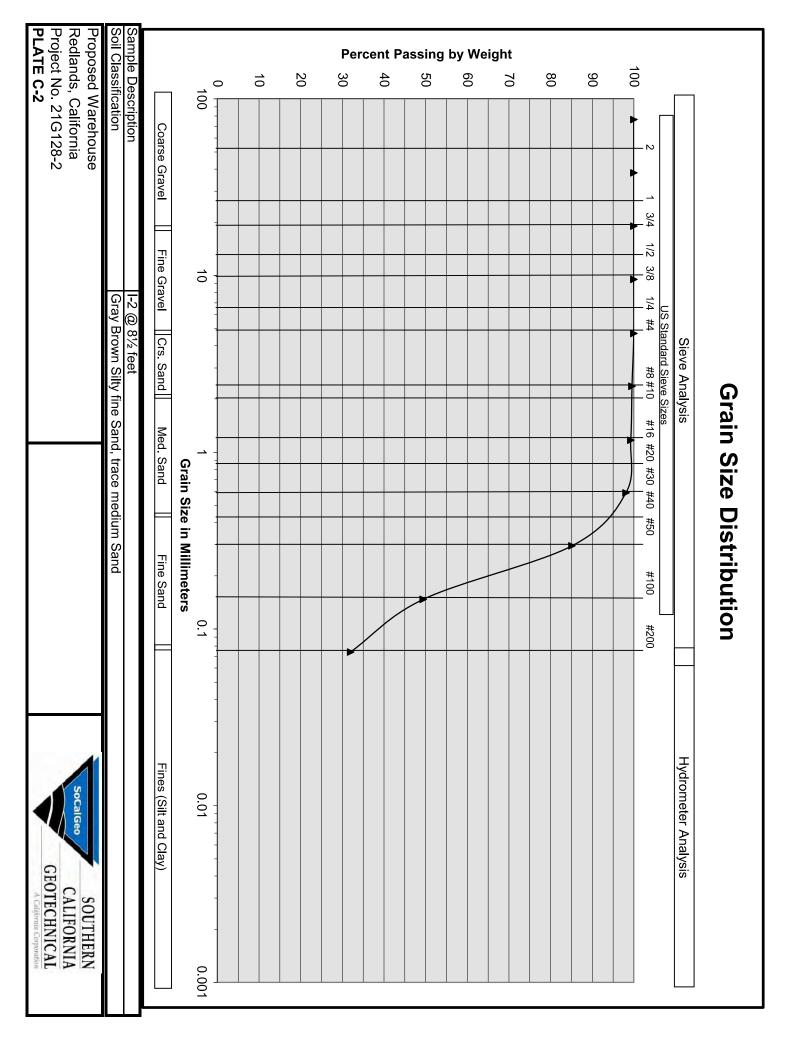
 $\Delta H$  = Change in Height (Water Level) over the time interval

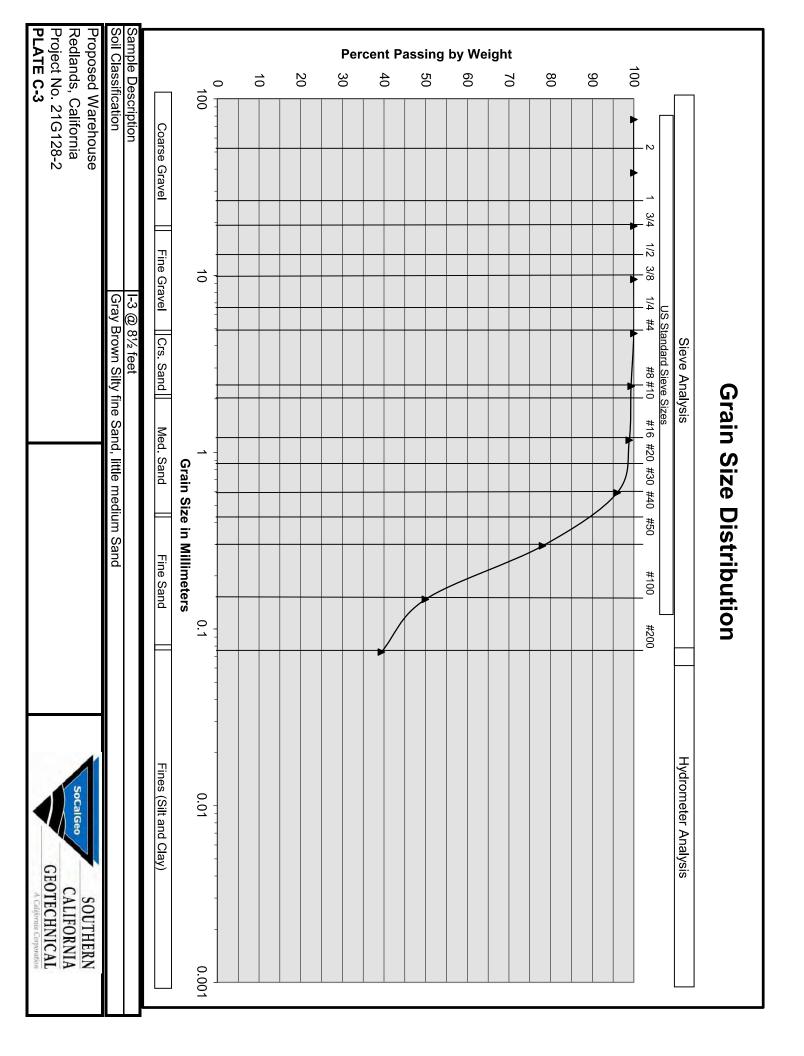
r = Test Hole (Borehole) Radius

 $\Delta t$  = Time Interval

 $H_{\text{avg}}$  = Average Head Height over the time interval







# Attachment E Rainfall Data (NOAA Atlas14) & Factor of Safety Worksheets



NOAA Atlas 14, Volume 6, Version 2 Location name: Chino, California, USA\* Latitude: 34.0345°, Longitude: -117.7252° Elevation: 803.9 ft\*\*

source: ESRI Maps
\*\* source: USGS



## POINT PRECIPITATION FREQUENCY ESTIMATES

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# PF tabular

			ipitation f			ce interval (				
Duration	1	2	5	10	25	50	100	200	500	1000
5-min	<b>0.121</b> (0.101-0.147)	<b>0.159</b> (0.133-0.192)	<b>0.209</b> (0.174-0.254)	<b>0.252</b> (0.207-0.308)	<b>0.311</b> (0.247-0.394)	<b>0.358</b> (0.279-0.464)	<b>0.407</b> (0.309-0.542)	<b>0.459</b> (0.338-0.629)	<b>0.532</b> (0.375-0.761)	<b>0.590</b> (0.402-0.876
10-min	<b>0.174</b> (0.145-0.211)	<b>0.228</b> (0.190-0.276)	<b>0.300</b> (0.250-0.364)	<b>0.361</b> (0.297-0.442)	<b>0.446</b> (0.355-0.565)	<b>0.513</b> (0.399-0.665)	<b>0.583</b> (0.443-0.776)	<b>0.658</b> (0.485-0.902)	<b>0.762</b> (0.538-1.09)	<b>0.846</b> (0.576-1.26
15-min	<b>0.211</b> (0.176-0.255)	<b>0.275</b> (0.230-0.334)	<b>0.363</b> (0.302-0.441)	<b>0.436</b> (0.360-0.534)	<b>0.539</b> (0.429-0.684)	<b>0.620</b> (0.483-0.805)	<b>0.705</b> (0.535-0.939)	<b>0.796</b> (0.587-1.09)	<b>0.922</b> (0.651-1.32)	<b>1.02</b> (0.697-1.52
30-min	<b>0.308</b> (0.257-0.373)	<b>0.403</b> (0.336-0.488)	<b>0.531</b> (0.442-0.645)	<b>0.638</b> (0.526-0.782)	<b>0.789</b> (0.628-1.00)	<b>0.908</b> (0.707-1.18)	<b>1.03</b> (0.784-1.37)	<b>1.17</b> (0.858-1.60)	<b>1.35</b> (0.952-1.93)	<b>1.50</b> (1.02-2.22)
60-min	<b>0.457</b> (0.382-0.553)	<b>0.598</b> (0.499-0.725)	<b>0.788</b> (0.655-0.957)	<b>0.947</b> (0.781-1.16)	<b>1.17</b> (0.932-1.49)	<b>1.35</b> (1.05-1.75)	<b>1.53</b> (1.16-2.04)	<b>1.73</b> (1.27-2.37)	<b>2.00</b> (1.41-2.87)	<b>2.22</b> (1.51-3.30)
2-hr	<b>0.687</b> (0.574-0.831)	<b>0.895</b> (0.746-1.08)	<b>1.17</b> (0.973-1.42)	<b>1.40</b> (1.15-1.71)	<b>1.71</b> (1.36-2.17)	<b>1.95</b> (1.52-2.53)	<b>2.20</b> (1.67-2.92)	<b>2.46</b> (1.81-3.37)	<b>2.81</b> (1.99-4.03)	<b>3.10</b> (2.11-4.59)
3-hr	<b>0.871</b> (0.727-1.05)	<b>1.13</b> (0.943-1.37)	<b>1.47</b> (1.23-1.79)	<b>1.75</b> (1.45-2.15)	<b>2.13</b> (1.70-2.71)	<b>2.43</b> (1.89-3.15)	<b>2.73</b> (2.07-3.64)	<b>3.05</b> (2.25-4.18)	<b>3.48</b> (2.46-4.98)	<b>3.82</b> (2.60-5.67)
6-hr	<b>1.23</b> (1.02-1.48)	<b>1.59</b> (1.32-1.92)	<b>2.06</b> (1.71-2.50)	<b>2.44</b> (2.02-3.00)	<b>2.97</b> (2.36-3.77)	<b>3.37</b> (2.63-4.37)	<b>3.79</b> (2.87-5.04)	<b>4.21</b> (3.11-5.77)	<b>4.80</b> (3.39-6.87)	<b>5.26</b> (3.58-7.80)
12-hr	<b>1.62</b> (1.35-1.96)	<b>2.10</b> (1.75-2.55)	<b>2.74</b> (2.28-3.33)	<b>3.26</b> (2.69-4.00)	<b>3.98</b> (3.17-5.05)	<b>4.53</b> (3.53-5.88)	<b>5.10</b> (3.87-6.79)	<b>5.69</b> (4.20-7.80)	<b>6.51</b> (4.59-9.31)	<b>7.15</b> (4.87-10.6)
24-hr	<b>2.14</b> (1.89-2.46)	<b>2.80</b> (2.47-3.23)	<b>3.69</b> (3.25-4.26)	<b>4.42</b> (3.87-5.16)	<b>5.44</b> (4.61-6.56)	<b>6.24</b> (5.18-7.68)	<b>7.07</b> (5.73-8.91)	<b>7.94</b> (6.26-10.3)	<b>9.15</b> (6.92-12.3)	<b>10.1</b> (7.40-14.1)
2-day	<b>2.63</b> (2.32-3.03)	<b>3.50</b> (3.09-4.04)	<b>4.68</b> (4.13-5.42)	<b>5.68</b> (4.97-6.63)	<b>7.08</b> (6.00-8.54)	<b>8.20</b> (6.80-10.1)	<b>9.38</b> (7.59-11.8)	<b>10.6</b> (8.37-13.8)	<b>12.4</b> (9.36-16.7)	<b>13.8</b> (10.1-19.2)
3-day	<b>2.86</b> (2.53-3.30)	<b>3.86</b> (3.41-4.45)	<b>5.22</b> (4.60-6.04)	<b>6.37</b> (5.57-7.44)	<b>8.01</b> (6.78-9.65)	<b>9.32</b> (7.73-11.5)	<b>10.7</b> (8.67-13.5)	<b>12.2</b> (9.60-15.8)	<b>14.3</b> (10.8-19.3)	<b>16.0</b> (11.7-22.3)
4-day	<b>3.10</b> (2.74-3.57)	<b>4.21</b> (3.72-4.86)	<b>5.72</b> (5.04-6.62)	<b>7.00</b> (6.13-8.17)	<b>8.82</b> (7.47-10.6)	<b>10.3</b> (8.53-12.6)	<b>11.8</b> (9.57-14.9)	<b>13.5</b> (10.6-17.4)	<b>15.8</b> (11.9-21.3)	<b>17.7</b> (12.9-24.6)
7-day	<b>3.53</b> (3.13-4.07)	<b>4.83</b> (4.26-5.57)	<b>6.58</b> (5.80-7.62)	<b>8.06</b> (7.05-9.40)	<b>10.1</b> (8.57-12.2)	<b>11.8</b> (9.77-14.5)	<b>13.5</b> (10.9-17.0)	<b>15.3</b> (12.1-19.9)	<b>17.9</b> (13.5-24.1)	<b>20.0</b> (14.6-27.9)
10-day	3.84 (3.40-4.43)	<b>5.27</b> (4.66-6.09)	<b>7.21</b> (6.35-8.34)	<b>8.82</b> (7.72-10.3)	<b>11.1</b> (9.39-13.4)	<b>12.9</b> (10.7-15.8)	<b>14.8</b> (11.9-18.6)	<b>16.7</b> (13.2-21.7)	<b>19.5</b> (14.7-26.3)	<b>21.7</b> (15.9-30.3)
20-day	<b>4.61</b> (4.08-5.31)	<b>6.39</b> (5.65-7.37)	<b>8.80</b> (7.76-10.2)	<b>10.8</b> (9.47-12.6)	<b>13.7</b> (11.6-16.5)	<b>15.9</b> (13.2-19.6)	<b>18.3</b> (14.8-23.0)	<b>20.8</b> (16.4-26.9)	<b>24.3</b> (18.4-32.7)	<b>27.1</b> (19.8-37.8)
30-day	<b>5.47</b> (4.84-6.31)	<b>7.60</b> (6.72-8.78)	<b>10.5</b> (9.27-12.2)	<b>13.0</b> (11.3-15.1)	<b>16.5</b> (13.9-19.8)	<b>19.3</b> (16.0-23.7)	<b>22.2</b> (18.0-28.0)	<b>25.3</b> (19.9-32.8)	<b>29.7</b> (22.5-40.1)	<b>33.3</b> (24.3-46.4)
45-day	<b>6.51</b> (5.76-7.50)	<b>8.99</b> (7.95-10.4)	<b>12.4</b> (11.0-14.4)	<b>15.4</b> (13.5-18.0)	<b>19.6</b> (16.6-23.7)	<b>23.1</b> (19.1-28.4)	<b>26.7</b> (21.6-33.7)	<b>30.7</b> (24.2-39.7)	<b>36.3</b> (27.4-48.9)	<b>40.9</b> (29.9-57.0)
60-day	<b>7.52</b> (6.66-8.67)	<b>10.3</b> (9.10-11.9)	<b>14.2</b> (12.5-16.4)	<b>17.6</b> (15.4-20.5)	<b>22.5</b> (19.0-27.1)	<b>26.5</b> (22.0-32.6)	<b>30.9</b> (25.0-38.9)	<b>35.6</b> (28.0-46.1)	<b>42.4</b> (32.1-57.2)	<b>48.1</b> (35.1-67.1)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Precipitation frequency (PF) estimates in this table are based on frequency analysis of partial duration series (PDS).

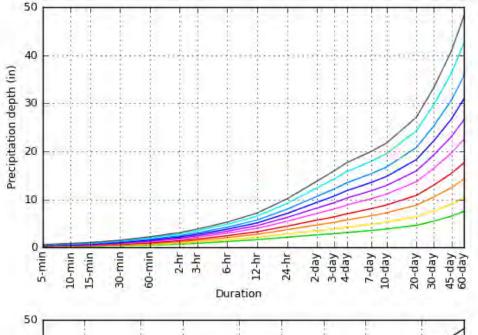
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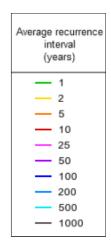
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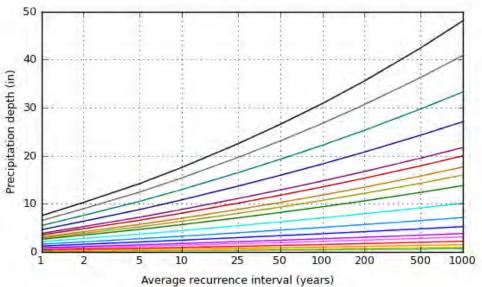
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# PF graphical

PDS-based depth-duration-frequency (DDF) curves Latitude: 34.0345°, Longitude: -117.7252°









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# VII.4.1. Site Suitability Considerations

Suitability assessment related considerations include (Table VII.3):

- Soil assessment methods the site assessment extent (e.g., number of borings, test pits, etc.) and the measurement method used to estimate the short-term infiltration rate.
- Predominant soil texture/percent fines soil texture and the percent of fines can greatly influence the potential for clogging.
- Site soil variability site with spatially heterogeneous soils (vertically or horizontally) as determined from site investigations are more difficult to estimate average properties for resulting in a higher level of uncertainty associated with initial estimates.
- Depth to seasonal high groundwater/impervious layer groundwater mounding may become an issue during excessively wet conditions where shallow aquifers or shallow clay lenses are present.

Table VII.3: Suitability Assessment Related Considerations for Infiltration Facility Safety Factors

Consideration	High Concern	Medium Concern	Low Concern	
Assessment methods (see explanation below)	Use of soil survey maps or simple texture analysis to estimate short-term infiltration rates	Direct measurement of ≥ 20 percent of infiltration area with localized infiltration measurement methods (e.g., infiltrometer)	Direct measurement of ≥ 50 percent of infiltration area with localized infiltration measurement methods or Use of extensive test pit infiltration measurement methods	Per infiltration report in Attachment D
Texture Class	Silty and clayey soils with significant fines	Loamy soils	Granular to slightly loamy soils	Per infiltration report in Attachment D
Site soil variability	Highly variable soils indicated from site assessment or limited soil borings collected during site assessment	Soil borings/test pits indicate moderately homogeneous soils	Multiple soil borings/test pits indicate relatively homogeneous soils	Per infiltration report in Attachment D
Depth to groundwater/ impervious layer	<5 ft below facility bottom	5-10 ft below facility bottom	>10 below facility bottom	Per infiltration report in Attachment D

Localized infiltration testing refers to methods such as the double ring infiltrometer test (ASTM D3385-88) which measure infiltration rates over an area less than 10 sq-ft, may include lateral

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flow, and do not attempt to account for heterogeneity of soil. The amount of area each test represents should be estimated depending on the observed heterogeneity of the soil.

Extensive infiltration testing refers to methods that include excavating a significant portion of the proposed infiltration area, filling the excavation with water, and monitoring drawdown. The excavation should be to the depth of the proposed infiltration surface and ideally be at least 50 to 100 square feet.

In all cases, testing should be conducted in the area of the proposed BMP where, based on review of available geotechnical data, soils appear least likely to support infiltration.

# VII.4.2. Design Related Considerations

Design related considerations include (Table VII.4):

- Size of area tributary to facility all things being equal, risk factors related to infiltration facilities increase with an increase in the tributary area served. Therefore facilities serving larger tributary areas should use more restrictive adjustment factors.
- Level of pretreatment/expected influent sediment loads credit should be given for good pretreatment by allowing less restrictive factors to account for the reduced probability of clogging from high sediment loading. Also, facilities designed to capture runoff from relatively clean surfaces such as rooftops are likely to see low sediment loads and therefore should be allowed to apply less restrictive safety factors.
- Redundancy facilities that consist of multiple subsystems operating in parallel such
  that parts of the system remains functional when other parts fail and/or bypass should
  be rewarded for the built-in redundancy with less restrictive correction and safety
  factors. For example, if bypass flows would be at least partially treated in another BMP,
  the risk of discharging untreated runoff in the event of clogging the primary facility is
  reduced. A bioretention facility that overflows to a landscaped area is another example.
- Compaction during construction proper construction oversight is needed during
  construction to ensure that the bottoms of infiltration facility are not overly compacted.
  Facilities that do not commit to proper construction practices and oversight should
  have to use more restrictive correction and safety factors.

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Table VII.4: Design Related Considerations for Infiltration Facility Safety Factors

Consideration	High Concern	Medium Concern	Low Concern
Tributary area size	Greater than 10 acres.	Greater than 2 acres but less than 10 acres.	2 acres or less.
Level of pretreatment/ expected influent sediment loads	Pretreatment from gross solids removal devices only, such as hydrodynamic separators, racks and screens AND tributary area includes landscaped areas, steep slopes, high traffic areas, or any other areas expected to produce high sediment, trash, or debris loads.	Good pretreatment with BMPs that mitigate coarse sediments such as vegetated swales AND influent sediment loads from the tributary area are expected to be relatively low (e.g., low traffic, mild slopes, disconnected impervious areas, etc.).	Excellent pretreatment with BMPs that mitigate fine sediments such as bioretention or media filtration OR sedimentation or facility only treats runoff from relatively clean surfaces, such as rooftops.
Redundancy of treatment	No redundancy in BMP treatment train.	Medium redundancy, other BMPs available in treatment train to maintain at least 50% of function of facility in event of failure.	High redundancy, multiple components capable of operating independently and in parallel, maintaining at least 90% of facility functionality in event of failure.
Compaction during construction	Construction of facility on a compacted site or elevated probability of unintended/ indirect compaction.	Medium probability of unintended/ indirect compaction.	Heavy equipment actively prohibited from infiltration areas during construction and low probability of unintended/ indirect compaction.

Catch basin filters (Bio-Clean or approved equal) will be provided in all on-site catch basins and CDS Units (Contech or approved equal) will be provided on storm drain main lines as pre-treatment control BMPs prior to allowing runoff to be conveyed to the primary treatment BMP. The pre-treatment devices will help remove large debris, trash, sediment and oil/grease from the runoff before outleting into the on-site infiltration systems. See Attachment B for catch basin filter specification.

The soil in the proposed infiltration system footprints will be uncompacted in-place native material.

Specific project site pollutants that will be treated by these Bio-Clean Filter Systems are as follows: Fine TSS - 85%, Dissolved Phosphorus - 69%, Copper 95%, Lead - 87%, Zinc - 95%, Oil and Grease - 90-95%, Fecal Coliform (bacteria) - 68%. Bio-Clean filter has multi-level screening and hydrocarbon media captures everything from oil and grease to sediments, to foliage and litter. According to Bio-Clean Stormwater Catch Basin Filtration Device Specification 03.01.02, "The SCBFD will remove and retain debris, sediments, metals, nutrients, oxygen demanding substances, bacteria and hydrocarbons entering the filter during frequent storm events and specified flow rates." See Attachment B for catch basin filter specification.

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~ 16 acres

# VII.4.3. <u>Determining Factor of Safety</u>

A factor of safety shall be used. To assist in selecting the appropriate design infiltration rate, the measured short term infiltration rate should be adjusted using a weighted average of several safety factors using the worksheet shown in **Worksheet H** below. The design infiltration rate would be determined as follows:

- 1. For each consideration shown in **Table VII.3** and **Table VII.4** above, determine whether the consideration is a high, medium, or low concern.
- 2. For all high concerns, assign a factor value of 3, for medium concerns, assign a factor value of 2, and for low concerns assign a factor value of 1.
- 3. Multiply each of the factors by the corresponding weight to get a product.
- 4. Sum the products within each factor category to obtain a safety factor for each.
- 5. Multiply the two safety factors together to get the final combined safety factor. If the combined safety factor is less than 2, then 2 shall be used as the safety factor.
- 6. Divide the measured short term infiltration rate by the combined safety factor to obtain the adjusted design infiltration rate for use in sizing the infiltration facility.

The design infiltration rate shall be used to size BMPs and to evaluate their expected long term performance. This rate shall not be less than 2, but may be higher at the discretion of the design engineer.

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Worksheet H: Factor of Safety and Design Infiltration Rate and Worksheet

Facto	or Category	Factor Description	Assigned Weight (w)	Factor Value (v)	Product (p) p = w x v
		Soil assessment methods	0.25	1	0.25
		Predominant soil texture	0.25	2	0.50
Α	Suitability	Site soil variability	0.25	1	0.25
	Assessment	Depth to groundwater / impervious layer	0.25	1	0.25
		Suitability Assessment Safety Factor		1.25	
		Tributary area size	0.25	3	0.75
		Level of pretreatment/ expected sediment loads	0.25	2	0.50
В	Design	Redundancy	0.25	2	0.50
		Compaction during construction	0.25	1	0.25
		Design Safety Factor, $S_B = \Sigma p$		2.00	
Com		3.25			
Measured Infiltration Rate, inch/hr, K <sub>M</sub> (corrected for test-specific bias)					5
Desi	gn Infiltration Ra		1.54		

# Supporting Data

Briefly describe infiltration test and provide reference to test forms:

"3.25" is the infiltration safety factor that we applied to infiltration LID BMP.

**Note:** The minimum combined adjustment factor shall not be less than 2.0 and the maximum combined adjustment factor shall not exceed 9.0.

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# VII.5. References

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# Attachment F HCOC Assessment Analysis

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CIVILCADD/CIVILDESIGN Engineering Software, (c) 1989-2019 Version 9.1
    Rational Hydrology Study Date: 11/09/23
NPP - CALIFORNIA STREET INDUSTRIAL
2 YEAR STORM - EXISTING CONDITION
6302Q2E
   ______
Program License Serial Number 6530
______
 ******* Hydrology Study Control Information *******
______
Rational hydrology study storm event year is 2.0
 10 Year storm 1 hour rainfall = 0.734(In.)
100 Year storm 1 hour rainfall = 1.160(In.)
Computed rainfall intensity:
Storm year = 2.00 1 hour rainfall =
                                    0.436 (In.)
Slope used for rainfall intensity curve b = 0.6000
Soil antecedent moisture condition (AMC) = 1
Process from Point/Station 1.000 to Point/Station
**** INITIAL AREA EVALUATION ****
COMMERCIAL subarea type
Decimal fraction soil group A = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group B = 1.000
Decimal fraction soil group C = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group D = 0.000
SCS curve number for soil(AMC 2) = 56.00
Adjusted SCS curve number for AMC 1 = 36.00
Pervious ratio(Ap) = 0.1000 Max loss rate(Fm)=
                                           0.095(In/Hr)
Initial subarea data:
Initial area flow distance = 632.000(Ft.)
Top (of initial area) elevation = 1162.600(Ft.)
Bottom (of initial area) elevation = 1156.200(Ft.)
Difference in elevation = 6.400(Ft.)
Slope = 0.01013 s(%) =
                       1.01
TC = k(0.304)*[(length^3)/(elevation change)]^0.2
Initial area time of concentration = 10.048 min.
Rainfall intensity = 1.275(In/Hr) for a 2.0 year storm
Effective runoff coefficient used for area (Q=KCIA) is C = 0.833
Subarea runoff = 10.382(CFS)
Total initial stream area =
                            9.780(Ac.)
Pervious area fraction = 0.100
Initial area Fm value = 0.095(In/Hr)
Process from Point/Station 2.000 to Point/Station 3.000
**** IRREGULAR CHANNEL FLOW TRAVEL TIME ****
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Depth of flow = 0.228(Ft.), Average velocity = 2.343(Ft/s)
      ****** Irregular Channel Data *******
_____
Information entered for subchannel number 1:
Point number 'X' coordinate 'Y' coordinate
      1
                  0.00
                                   1.00
                 100.00
                                   0.00
      2
                  200.00
      3
                                    1.00
Manning's 'N' friction factor = 0.015
_____
Sub-Channel flow = 12.223(CFS)
 ' ' flow top width = 45.677(Ft.)
           velocity= 2.343(Ft/s)
          area = 5.216(Sq.Ft)
Froude number = 1.222
Upstream point elevation = 1156.200(Ft.)
Downstream point elevation = 1151.200(Ft.)
Flow length = 495.000(Ft.)
Travel time = 3.52 min.
Time of concentration = 13.57 min.
Depth of flow = 0.228(Ft.)
Average velocity = 2.343(Ft/s)
Total irregular channel flow = 12.223(CFS)
Irregular channel normal depth above invert elev. = 0.228(Ft.)
Average velocity of channel(s) = 2.343(Ft/s)
Adding area flow to channel
COMMERCIAL subarea type
Decimal fraction soil group A = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group B = 1.000
Decimal fraction soil group C = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group D = 0.000
SCS curve number for soil(AMC 2) = 56.00
Adjusted SCS curve number for AMC 1 = 36.00
Pervious ratio(Ap) = 0.1000 Max loss rate(Fm)= 0.095(In/Hr)
Rainfall intensity = 1.064(In/Hr) for a 2.0 year storm
Effective runoff coefficient used for area, (total area with modified
rational method)(Q=KCIA) is C = 0.820
Subarea runoff = 3.628(CFS) for Total runoff = 14.010(CFS)
                                    6.280(Ac.)
                               16.06(Ac.)
Effective area this stream =
Total Study Area (Main Stream No. 1) = 16.06(Ac.)
Area averaged Fm value = 0.095(In/Hr)
Depth of flow = 0.240(Ft.), Average velocity = 2.425(Ft/s)
End of computations, Total Study Area =
The following figures may
be used for a unit hydrograph study of the same area.
Note: These figures do not consider reduced effective area
effects caused by confluences in the rational equation.
Area averaged pervious area fraction(Ap) = 0.100
Area averaged SCS curve number = 56.0
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    Rational Hydrology Study Date: 11/09/23
NPP - LUGONIA AT CALIFORNIA
2 YEAR STORM - PROPOSED CONDITION
6302Q2P
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Program License Serial Number 6530
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 ******* Hydrology Study Control Information *******
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Rational hydrology study storm event year is 2.0
 10 Year storm 1 hour rainfall = 0.734(In.)
100 Year storm 1 hour rainfall = 1.160(In.)
Computed rainfall intensity:
Storm year = 2.00 1 hour rainfall =
                                    0.436 (In.)
Slope used for rainfall intensity curve b = 0.6000
Soil antecedent moisture condition (AMC) = 1
Process from Point/Station 1.000 to Point/Station
**** INITIAL AREA EVALUATION ****
COMMERCIAL subarea type
Decimal fraction soil group A = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group B = 1.000
Decimal fraction soil group C = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group D = 0.000
SCS curve number for soil(AMC 2) = 56.00
Adjusted SCS curve number for AMC 1 = 36.00
Pervious ratio(Ap) = 0.1000 Max loss rate(Fm)=
                                           0.095(In/Hr)
Initial subarea data:
Initial area flow distance = 226.000(Ft.)
Top (of initial area) elevation = 1159.100(Ft.)
Bottom (of initial area) elevation = 1157.920(Ft.)
Difference in elevation = 1.180(Ft.)
Slope = 0.00522 s(%) =
                       0.52
TC = k(0.304)*[(length^3)/(elevation change)]^0.2
Initial area time of concentration = 7.603 min.
Rainfall intensity = 1.507(In/Hr) for a 2.0 year storm
Effective runoff coefficient used for area (Q=KCIA) is C = 0.843
Subarea runoff = 2.503(CFS)
Total initial stream area =
                            1.970(Ac.)
Pervious area fraction = 0.100
Initial area Fm value = 0.095(In/Hr)
Process from Point/Station 2.000 to Point/Station 3.000
**** PIPEFLOW TRAVEL TIME (Program estimated size) ****
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Downstream point/station elevation = 1148.550(Ft.)
Pipe length = 484.00(Ft.) Manning's N = 0.012
No. of pipes = 1 Required pipe flow = 2.503(CFS)
Nearest computed pipe diameter = 12.00(In.)
Calculated individual pipe flow = 2.503(CFS)
Normal flow depth in pipe = 9.05(In.)
Flow top width inside pipe = 10.34(In.)
Critical Depth = 8.13(In.)
Pipe flow velocity = 3.94(Ft/s)
Travel time through pipe = 2.05 \text{ min.}
Time of concentration (TC) = 9.65 \text{ min.}
Process from Point/Station 3.000 to Point/Station 3.000
**** SUBAREA FLOW ADDITION ****
COMMERCIAL subarea type
Decimal fraction soil group A = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group B = 1.000
Decimal fraction soil group C = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group D = 0.000
SCS curve number for soil(AMC 2) = 56.00
Adjusted SCS curve number for AMC 1 = 36.00
Pervious ratio(Ap) = 0.1000 Max loss rate(Fm)= 0.095(In/Hr)
Time of concentration = 9.65 min.

Rainfall intensity = 1.306(In/Hr) for a 2.0 year storm
Effective runoff coefficient used for area, (total area with modified
rational method)(Q=KCIA) is C = 0.834
Subarea runoff = 1.758(CFS) for
Total runoff = 4.261(CFS)
Effective area this stream =
                               3.91(Ac.)
Total Study Area (Main Stream No. 1) = 3.91(Ac.)
Area averaged Fm value = 0.095(In/Hr)
Process from Point/Station 3.000 to Point/Station 4.000
**** PIPEFLOW TRAVEL TIME (Program estimated size) ****
Upstream point/station elevation = 1148.550(Ft.)
Downstream point/station elevation = 1144.700(Ft.)
Pipe length = 769.00(Ft.) Manning's N = 0.012
No. of pipes = 1 Required pipe flow = 4.261(CFS)
Nearest computed pipe diameter = 15.00(In.)
Calculated individual pipe flow = 4.261(CFS)
Normal flow depth in pipe = 10.73(In.)
Flow top width inside pipe = 13.53(In.)
Critical Depth = 10.03(In.)
Pipe flow velocity = 4.54(Ft/s)
Travel time through pipe = 2.82 min.
Time of concentration (TC) =
                          12.47 min.
Process from Point/Station 4.000 to Point/Station 4.000
**** SUBAREA FLOW ADDITION ****
COMMERCIAL subarea type
Decimal fraction soil group A = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group B = 1.000
Decimal fraction soil group C = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group D = 0.000
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SCS curve number for soil(AMC 2) = 56.00
Adjusted SCS curve number for AMC 1 = 36.00
Pervious ratio(Ap) = 0.1000 Max loss rate(Fm)=
                                                0.095(In/Hr)
Time of concentration = 12.47 min.
Rainfall intensity = 1.120(In/Hr) for a 2.0 year storm
Effective runoff coefficient used for area, (total area with modified
rational method)(Q=KCIA) is C = 0.824
Subarea runoff = 1.492(CFS) for
                                   2.330(Ac.)
                 5.753(CFS)
Total runoff =
                               6.24(Ac.)
Effective area this stream =
Total Study Area (Main Stream No. 1) = 6.24(Ac.)
Area averaged Fm value = 0.095(In/Hr)
Process from Point/Station 4.000 to Point/Station
**** PIPEFLOW TRAVEL TIME (Program estimated size) ****
Upstream point/station elevation = 1144.700(Ft.)
Downstream point/station elevation = 1144.000(Ft.)
Pipe length = 141.00(Ft.) Manning's N = 0.012
No. of pipes = 1 Required pipe flow = 5.753(CFS)
Nearest computed pipe diameter = 18.00(In.)
Calculated individual pipe flow = 5.753(CFS)
Normal flow depth in pipe = 11.29(In.)
                          17.41(In.)
Flow top width inside pipe =
Critical Depth = 11.11(In.)
Pipe flow velocity = 4.94(Ft/s)
Travel time through pipe = 0.48 min.
Time of concentration (TC) = 12.95 min.
Process from Point/Station 5.000 to Point/Station 5.000
**** SUBAREA FLOW ADDITION ****
COMMERCIAL subarea type
Decimal fraction soil group A = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group B = 1.000
Decimal fraction soil group C = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group D = 0.000
SCS curve number for soil(AMC 2) = 56.00
Adjusted SCS curve number for AMC 1 = 36.00
Pervious ratio(Ap) = 0.1000 Max loss rate(Fm)=
                                                0.095(In/Hr)
Time of concentration = 12.95 \text{ min.}
Rainfall intensity = 1.095(\text{In/Hr}) \text{ for a} 2.0 year storm
Effective runoff coefficient used for area, (total area with modified
rational method)(Q=KCIA) is C = 0.822
Subarea runoff = 3.288(CFS) for 3.810(Ac.)
Total runoff = 9.041(CFS)
Effective area this stream =
                               10.05(Ac.)
Total Study Area (Main Stream No. 1) = 10.05(Ac.)
Area averaged Fm value = 0.095(In/Hr)
Process from Point/Station 1.000 to Point/Station 5.000
**** CONFLUENCE OF MAIN STREAMS ****
The following data inside Main Stream is listed:
In Main Stream number: 1
Stream flow area = 10.050(Ac.)
Runoff from this stream = 9.041(CFS)
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Time of concentration = 12.95 min.
Rainfall intensity = 1.095(In/Hr)
Area averaged loss rate (Fm) = 0.0951(In/Hr)
Area averaged Pervious ratio (Ap) = 0.1000
Program is now starting with Main Stream No. 2
Process from Point/Station 21.000 to Point/Station 22.000
**** INITIAL AREA EVALUATION ****
COMMERCIAL subarea type
Decimal fraction soil group A = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group B = 1.000
Decimal fraction soil group C = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group D = 0.000
SCS curve number for soil(AMC 2) = 56.00
Adjusted SCS curve number for AMC 1 = 36.00
Pervious ratio(Ap) = 0.1000 Max loss rate(Fm) = 0.095(In/Hr)
Initial subarea data:
Initial area flow distance = 660.000(Ft.)
Top (of initial area) elevation = 1159.100(Ft.)
Bottom (of initial area) elevation = 1152.090(Ft.)
Difference in elevation = 7.010(Ft.)
Slope = 0.01062 \text{ s(%)} =
                          1.06
TC = k(0.304)*[(length^3)/(elevation change)]^0.2
Initial area time of concentration = 10.126 min.
Rainfall intensity = 1.269(In/Hr) for a 2.0 year storm
Effective runoff coefficient used for area (Q=KCIA) is C = 0.833
Subarea runoff = 2.218(CFS)
Total initial stream area =
                               2.100(Ac.)
Pervious area fraction = 0.100
Initial area Fm value = 0.095(In/Hr)
Process from Point/Station 22.000 to Point/Station 23.000
**** PIPEFLOW TRAVEL TIME (Program estimated size) ****
Upstream point/station elevation = 1147.490(Ft.)
Downstream point/station elevation = 1145.810(Ft.)
Pipe length = 361.00(Ft.) Manning's N = 0.012
No. of pipes = 1 Required pipe flow = 2.218(CFS)
Nearest computed pipe diameter = 12.00(In.)
Calculated individual pipe flow = 2.218(CFS)
Calculated individual pipe flow =
Normal flow depth in pipe = 8.44(In.)
Flow top width inside pipe = 10.97(In.)
Critical Depth = 7.64(In.)
Pipe flow velocity = 3.76(Ft/s)
Travel time through pipe = 1.60 min.
Time of concentration (TC) = 11.73 \text{ min.}
Process from Point/Station 23.000 to Point/Station 23.000
**** SUBAREA FLOW ADDITION ****
COMMERCIAL subarea type
Decimal fraction soil group A = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group B = 1.000
Decimal fraction soil group C = 0.000
Decimal fraction soil group D = 0.000
SCS curve number for soil(AMC 2) = 56.00
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Adjusted SCS curve number for AMC 1 = 36.00
Pervious ratio(Ap) = 0.1000 Max loss rate(Fm) = 0.095(In/Hr)
Time of concentration = 11.73 \text{ min.}
Rainfall intensity = 1.162(\text{In/Hr}) \text{ for a} 2.0 year storm
Effective runoff coefficient used for area, (total area with modified
rational method)(Q=KCIA) is C = 0.826
Subarea runoff = 3.532(CFS) for
                                     3.890(Ac.)
Total runoff =
                  5.750(CFS)
Effective area this stream =
                                 5.99(Ac.)
Total Study Area (Main Stream No. 2) = 16.04(Ac.)
Area averaged Fm value = 0.095(In/Hr)
Process from Point/Station 23.000 to Point/Station 5.000
**** PIPEFLOW TRAVEL TIME (Program estimated size) ****
Upstream point/station elevation = 1145.810(Ft.)
Downstream point/station elevation = 1144.000(Ft.)
Pipe length = 361.00(Ft.) Manning's N = 0.012
No. of pipes = 1 Required pipe flow = 5.750(CFS)
Nearest computed pipe diameter = 18.00(In.)
Calculated individual pipe flow = 5.750(CFS)
Normal flow depth in pipe = 11.24(In.)
Flow top width inside pipe = 17.43(In.)
Critical Depth = 11.10(In.)
Pipe flow velocity = 4.95(Ft/s)
Travel time through pipe = 1.21 min.
Time of concentration (TC) = 12.94 min.
Process from Point/Station 21.000 to Point/Station 5.000
**** CONFLUENCE OF MAIN STREAMS ****
The following data inside Main Stream is listed:
In Main Stream number: 2
Stream flow area = 5.990(Ac.)
Runoff from this stream = 5.750(CFS)
Time of concentration = 12.94 min.
Rainfall intensity = 1.095(In/Hr)
Area averaged loss rate (Fm) = 0.0951(In/Hr)
Area averaged Pervious ratio (Ap) = 0.1000
Summary of stream data:
                               Fm Rainfall Intensity
Stream Flow rate Area TC
No. (CFS) (Ac.) (min) (In/Hr)
                                          (In/Hr)
                                         1.095
      9.0410.05012.950.0955.755.99012.940.095
                                          1.095
Qmax(1) =
        1.000 * 1.000 *
                             9.041) +
        1.000 * 1.000 *
                              5.750) + = 14.789
Qmax(2) =
         1.000 *
                   0.999 *
                              9.041) +
                 1.000 *
                             5.750) + = 14.789
         1.000 *
Total of 2 main streams to confluence:
Flow rates before confluence point:
     10.041 6.750
Maximum flow rates at confluence using above data:
      14.789 14.789
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Area of streams before confluence: 10.050 5.990 Effective area values after confluence: 16.040 16.035

Results of confluence:

Total flow rate = 14.789(CFS)
Time of concentration = 12.942 min. Effective stream area after confluence = Study area average Pervious fraction(Ap) = 0.100 Study area average soil loss rate(Fm) = 0.095(In/Hr) Study area total = 16.04(Ac.) End of computations, Total Study Area = 16.04 (Ac.) The following figures may be used for a unit hydrograph study of the same area. Note: These figures do not consider reduced effective area effects caused by confluences in the rational equation.

Area averaged pervious area fraction(Ap) = 0.100 Area averaged SCS curve number = 56.0

# Attachment G Maintenance and Inspection Guidelines

# **Site Maintenance Guideline**

# Landscape and Irrigation Design and Maintenance:

See CASQA BMP Fact Sheet SD-10 in Attachment F

- Site landscaping design shall be implemented in accordance with the requirements of the site specific WQMP and local agency requirements.
- o Site landscaping maintenance shall begin immediately after it has been planted.
- Maintenance of landscaping shall occur on a weekly basis and adjusted accordingly based on current conditions and seasonal needs.
- Inspection of irrigation system shall be provided on a bi-weekly basis to ensure proper function of the irrigation system, no significant overspray is occurring.
- o Malfunctioning systems shall be repaired or replaced immediately.
- o Inspect plant health on a monthly basis. Repair or replace unhealthy plants as needed.
- o Inspect side slopes of basins and sloped areas on a bi-weekly basis and repair as needed. Replant and apply erosion protection to those areas to help prevent erosion in the future.
- Landscape clippings shall be swept and picked up immediately to prevent it from entering the storm drain system or adjacent sedimentation basins and filtration basins. Dispose of landscape clippings in a legal manner

# MS4 Stenciling and Signage:

See CASQA BMP Fact Sheet SD-13 in Attachment F

- MS4 Stenciling and signage shall be placed during construction and inspection and maintenance shall begin upon completion of construction.
- o Inspect catch basin stenciling on a bi-monthly basis. Replace any damaged, missing or faded stencils in a timely manner.

# Common area litter control, loading docks and trash storage areas:

See CASQA BMP Fact Sheet SD-32 in Attachment F

- o Inspection and Maintenance of common areas, loading docks and trash storage areas shall begin upon completion of construction.
- Visual inspection of common areas and loading docks shall take place on a daily basis and adjusted on an as needed basis. Visual inspection of trash storage areas shall take place on a weekly basis and adjusted on an as needed basis.
- Inspect areas for trash and debris. Remove any found trash and debris immediately. Dispose of trash and debris in a legal manner.
- Inspect areas for any spills. Pick up/clean up found spills immediately. Dispose of spill material in a legal manner.

# Parking lot sweeping:

See CASQA BMP Fact Sheet SE-7 in Appendix 10

- Parking lot sweeping shall being after the completion of construction and take place on a monthly basis
- o Dispose of picked up material in a legal manner.

# Drainage facility (including roof drains) inspection and maintenance:

- o Inspection and maintenance of site drainage facilities and roof drains shall begin immediately upon completion of construction.
- o Catch basin and roof drain inspections shall take place on a monthly basis, prior to a rain event and after a rain event.
- Collected debris shall be removed. Catch basins and roof drain inlet shall be clear of any debris prior to any storm event to ensure proper function of the roof drains. Collected debris shall be disposed of in a legal manner.
- Catch basin filters shall be inspected on a monthly basis.
- o Catch basin filters that have exceeded 50% of the storage capacity shall be cleaned immediately.
- o Catch basin filters shall be maintained per the manufacturer's specifications.
- o Damaged catch basin filters shall be replaced with an approved equal prior to the next storm event or as soon as practicable.

### **Underground Infiltration Basins**

See Attachment 1 Post-Construction BMP Site Plan

- Infiltration facility maintenance should include frequent inspections to ensure that water infiltrates into the subsurface completely within the recommended infiltration time of 48 hours or less after a storm.
- o Observe and document evidence of collected sediments, trash, debris and oils/greases.
- Sediments, trash, debris and oils/greases shall be removed and disposed of in a legal manner by manufacture Bi-monthly and prior to storm event.
- Observe and document evidence of erosion of side slopes or flowlines.
- o Protection measures against further erosion shall be placed until the eroded areas are repaired.

# **Infiltration Facility Operations and Maintenance**

# General Requirements

Infiltration facility maintenance should include frequent inspections to ensure that water infiltrates into the subsurface completely within the recommended infiltration time of 72 hours or less after a storm

Maintenance and regular inspections are of primary importance if infiltration basins and trenches are to continue to function as originally designed. A specific maintenance plan shall be developed specific to each facility outlining the schedule and scope of maintenance operations, as well as the documentation and reporting requirements. The following are general maintenance requirements:

- 1. Regular inspection should determine if the sediment pretreatment structures require routine maintenance.
- 2. If water is noticed in the basin more than 72 hours after a major storm or in the observation well of the infiltration trench more than 48 hours after a major storm, the infiltration facility may be clogged. Maintenance activities triggered by a potentially clogged facility include:
  - Check for debris/sediment accumulation, rake surface and remove sediment (if any) and evaluate potential sources of sediment and vegetative or other debris (e.g., embankment erosion, channel scour, overhanging trees, etc). If suspected upland sources are outside of the County's jurisdiction, additional pretreatment operations (e.g., trash racks, vegetated swales, etc.) may be necessary.
  - For basins, removal of the top layer of native soil may be required to restore infiltrative capacity.
  - For trenches, assess the condition of the top aggregate layer for sediment buildup and crusting. Remove top layer of pea gravel and replace. If slow draining conditions persist, entire trench may need to be excavated and replaced.
- 3. Any debris or algae growth located on top of the infiltration facility should be removed and disposed of properly.
- 4. Facilities should be inspected annually. Trash and debris should be removed as needed, but at least annually prior to the beginning of the wet season.
- 5. Site vegetation should be maintained as frequently as necessary to maintain the aesthetic appearance of the site, and as follows:
  - Vegetation, large shrubs, or trees that limit access or interfere with basin operation should be pruned or removed.

- Slope areas that have become bare should be revegetated and eroded areas should be regraded prior to being revegetated.
- Grass should be mowed to 4"-9" high and grass clippings should be removed.
- Fallen leaves and debris from deciduous plant foliage should be raked and removed.
- Invasive vegetation, such as Alligatorweed (*Alternanthera philoxeroides*), Halogeton (*Halogeton glomeratus*), Spotted Knapweed (*Centaurea maculosa*), Giant Reed (*Arundo donax*), Castor Bean (*Ricinus communis*), Perennial Pepperweed (*Lepidium latifolium*), and Yellow Starthistle (*Centaurea solstitalis*) must be removed and replaced with non-invasive species. Invasive species should never contribute more than 25% of the vegetated area. For more information on invasive weeds, including biology and control of listed weeds, look at the "encycloweedia" located at the California Department of Food and Agriculture website at <a href="http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/wma">http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/wma</a> or the California Invasive Plant Council website at <a href="http://portal.cal-ipc.org/weedlist">http://portal.cal-ipc.org/weedlist</a>.
- Dead vegetation should be removed if it exceeds 10% of area coverage. Vegetation should be replaced immediately to maintain cover density and control erosion where soils are exposed.
- 6. For infiltration basins, sediment buildup exceeding 50% of the forebay sediment storage capacity, as indicated by the steel markers, should be removed. Sediment from the remainder of the basin should be removed when 6 inches of sediment accumulates. Sediments should be tested for toxic substance accumulation in compliance with current disposal requirements if visual or olfactory indications of pollution are noticed. If toxic substances are encountered at concentrations exceeding thresholds of Title 22, Section 66261 of the California Code of Regulations, the sediment must be disposed of in a hazardous waste landfill and the source of the contaminated sediments should be investigated and mitigated to the extent possible.
- 7. Following sediment removal activities, replanting and/or reseeding of vegetation may be required for reestablishment.

## Maintenance Standards

A summary of the routine and major maintenance activities recommended for infiltration facilities is shown in Table 6-1. Detailed routine and major maintenance standards are listed in Tables 6-2 and 6-3.

Table 6-1: Infiltration Facility Routine and Major Maintenance Quick Guide

Inspection and	Maintenance	Activities	Summary
rash and debris as	required		

# Routine Maintenance

- Remove tra
- Repair and reseed erosion near inlet if necessary
- Remove any visual evidence of contamination from floatables such as oil and grease
- Clean under-drain (if present) and outlet piping to alleviate ponding and restore infiltrative capacity.
- Remove minor sediment accumulation, debris and obstructions near inlet and outlet structures as needed
- Mow routinely to maintain ideal grass height and to suppress weeds
- Periodically observe function under wet weather conditions
- Take photographs before and after maintenance (encouraged)

# Major Maintenance

- Clean out under-drains if present to alleviate ponding. Replace media if ponding or loss of infiltrative capacity persists and revegetate
- Repair structural damage to flow control structures including inlet, outlet and overflow structures
- De-thatch grass to remove accumulated sediment and aerate compacted areas to promote infiltration

Table 6-2: Routine Maintenance – Infiltration Facilities

Defect	Conditions When Maintenance Is Needed	Results Expected When Maintenance Is Performed	Frequency
Trash & Debris	Any trash and debris which exceed 5 cubic feet per 1,000 square feet (one standard garbage can). In general, there should be no visual evidence of dumping.  If less than threshold, all trash and debris will be removed as part of next scheduled maintenance.	Trash and debris cleared from site.	Annually prior to wet season. After major storm events (>0.75 in/24 hrs) if spot checks indicate widespread
Inlet Erosion	Visible evidence of erosion occurring near inlet structures.	Eroded areas repaired/reseeded	damage/ maintenance needs.
Visual Contaminants and Pollution	Any evidence of oil, gasoline, contaminants or other pollutants.	No contaminants or pollutants present.	Litter removal is dependent on site conditions and
Slow Drain Time	Standing water long after storm has passed (after 48 to 72 hours), or visual inspection of wells (if available) indicates that design drain times are not being achieved.	Water drains within 48 to 72 hours. Drainage pipe is cleared, accumulated litter on surface is removed, and top 1-2" of soil is raked or replaced.	desired aesthetics and should be done at a frequency to meet those objectives.
Inlets Blocked	Trash and debris or sediment blocking inlet structures.	Inlets clear and free of trash and debris.	
Appearance of Poisonous, Noxious or Nuisance Vegetation	Excessive grass and weed growth. Noxious weeds, woody vegetation establishing, Turf growing over rock filter.	Vegetation is mowed or trimmed to restore function. Weeds are removed to prevent noxious and nuisance plants from becoming established.	Monthly (or as dictated by agreement between County and landscape contractor).

Table 6-3: Major Maintenance – Infiltration Facilities

Defect	Conditions When Maintenance Is Needed	Results Expected When Maintenance Is Performed	Frequency
Standing Water	Standing water long after storm has passed (after 24 to 48 hours), or visual inspection of wells (if available) indicates that design drain times are not being achieved	Design infiltration rate restored, either through excavation and filter media replacement or surface sediment removal. If applicable, underdrain cleaned, reset or replaced.	As needed