



## CONCRETE WORK

**It is illegal to allow anything other than rain water to be discharged to a storm drain.**

Wash water should never be discharged to a street, gutter, parking lot, or storm drain. If discharged or disposed of improperly, materials such as concrete, stucco, and mortar washouts and slurries, and sealants can be harmful to water quality and creek habitats.

Individuals and businesses that improperly handle and dispose of non-stormwater materials down the storm drain are both subject to civil and criminal prosecution.

### BEST PRACTICES:

- Only schedule projects during dry weather.
- Protect recently placed applications from rainfall and runoff until material has dried and cured.
- Contain all water and materials used.
- Only mix up as much concrete as you will need.
- Cover and protect unused, left over, and stored bags.
- Block storm drain inlets.
- Sweep up dry materials.
- Wash equipment, mixers, and trucks only in designated, lined and bermed wash-out areas away from storm drains and waterways. Never discharge washout to unlined dirt areas.
- Use a tarp under equipment for easier clean-up of spilled material.

- Use as little water as possible when making saw cuts. Shovel or vacuum saw-cut slurry and remove from the site.
- Promptly recycle or dispose of debris and wastes in accordance with federal, state, or local regulations.

### ARE YOU READY TO RESPOND TO A SPILL?

- Have a written plan.
- Train employees annually on storm water regulations, spill response, personal safety, and hazardous waste handling and disposal.
- Have spill cleanup materials onsite.
- Have Safety Data Sheets for all products used.

**Releasing pollutants into the storm drain system or a waterway is prohibited by local ordinance, state, and federal law.**

**For an emergency or a spill involving hazardous materials or hazardous waste call 911 or your local Fire Department.**

### For All Non-Emergency / Non-Hazardous Spills

- To report a Non-Hazardous spill, or for other useful phone numbers, see Spill Numbers informational reference sheet for your local agency contact information or visit:  
[www.streetstocreeks.org/spill-numbers/](http://www.streetstocreeks.org/spill-numbers/)



## HAVE QUESTIONS?

Use the QR code to find your local stormwater contact or visit:  
[mcstoppp.org/illegal-discharge-contacts](https://www.mcstoppp.org/illegal-discharge-contacts)



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