

Stormwater Best Management Practices

As rainfall flows over the ground, it picks up a variety of pollutants and deposits them into our water bodies through the storm drain system. The following pollutants are commonly transported in the storm drain system, and have been found to degrade water quality:

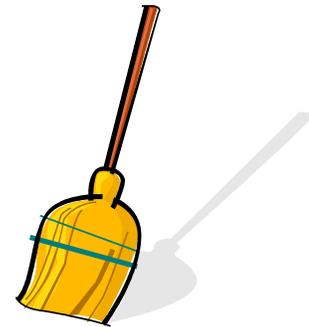
- ◆ Sediment
- ◆ Fertilizers
- ◆ Metals
- ◆ Detergents
- ◆ Pesticides
- ◆ Solvents
- ◆ Trash and debris
- ◆ Oil and grease
- ◆ Bacteria and viruses



Your business can help prevent runoff pollution from making it into our water bodies by following these simple best management practices!

General:

- ◆ Regularly sweep around site; do NOT use a hose. Collect and dispose of debris in the trash.
- ◆ Never dispose of wash water into the storm drain system. Properly dispose of it into the sanitary sewer (sink or toilet).
- ◆ Report any illegal dumping to the storm drain system by calling 406-758-7720.



Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance:

- ◆ Perform all vehicle maintenance indoors when possible.
- ◆ Use drip pans to collect fluids from leaky vehicles.
- ◆ Clean-up spills immediately using absorbent materials. Properly dispose of used absorbents.

Waste Management:

- ◆ Keep outside areas free of trash and debris. Clean outdoor areas frequently using dry cleaning methods such as sweeping or vacuuming.
- ◆ Never wash down dumpsters or grease bins with a hose.

