

Storm Water Training

ILLICIT DISCHARGES

A/C Condensate - Fire Sprinkler Test Water - Leaks / Drainage



Actions:

Find all sources of water throughout the site



- On a hot, dry day, walk your facilities and check inside of storm drains to see if any water is flowing into the drains.
- If you find flow, follow it upstream to find the source. *TIP: Use your site drainage maps to identify the areas upstream.
- A/C condensate, landscape drainage, and discharges from fire suppression systems are not permitted to flow into storm drains.

Eliminate or divert water flows



- Make repairs as necessary to correct leaks.
- Redirect flows to landscaping or the sewer system.
- Planters may be placed under A/C units where there is no landscaping.
- Reduce irrigation of oversaturated landscaping.
- Ensure any maintenance contractors are collecting all waste water.

Reason for action:

Water flowing into the storm drain system when it is not raining is a major focus of the new storm water permit issued by the San Diego Regional Board. These discharges may contain or pick up pollutants in their path, and transport them into local waterways. There should not be any flow into drains or off site during the dry season. Schools can do their part to be good neighbors, improve water quality, and even save money by eliminating all water flows.



See reverse for storm water training log