

Mobile Service Providers

Stormwater Pollution Prevention

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Best Management Practices (BMPs)

BMPs are procedures and practices that help to prevent pollutants and other hazardous materials from entering the storm sewer system. When sources of pollution have been identified, the next step is to select the proper BMPs to eliminate or reduce stormwater pollution.

Mobile Service Providers

Any mobile service provider that provides services at various off-site locations contribute to stormwater pollution with materials and residuals such as cleaners, grease, soapy water, dirt, debris, and other pollutants. These pollutants often find their way to the storm sewer system. Be a part of the solution to keep pollution out of the Red River.

Spill Response Kits

- Keep spill kits in vehicles and ensure that they contain the appropriate materials for prompt and adequate cleanups.
- Use a dry cleanup method. Never spray down spills into a storm drain.
- Wash water must be disposed of in the sanitary sewer and never in the storm sewer.
- Prepare and plan how liquids, solids, wastewater, and other materials will be disposed of prior to starting work.
- Immediately report spills that have entered the storm sewer to the Stormwater staff at (701) 298-2375. For hazardous spills contact the City of Fargo's Household Hazardous Waste facility.

Storm Drains

- Protect storm drains at all times with perimeter controls and barriers such as rock logs.
- Vacuum up wastewater before removing BMPs. Dispose of wastewater properly.

Employee Training

- Discuss and distribute information on stormwater pollution prevention to employees.
- Inform subcontractors of stormwater requirements and ensure they comply with the regulations and BMPs.

Enforcement

Cass County's Stormwater Team responds to all complaints of a PROHIBITED discharge to the storm sewer system.

Did You Know?

Storm drains are NOT connected to the sanitary sewer system or wastewater treatment plant. The primary purpose of a storm drain is to carry rainwater and snowmelt away from developed areas to prevent flooding. As water flows on the ground it picks up a variety of pollutants that flow into local stormwater ponds, ditches and the Red River.

