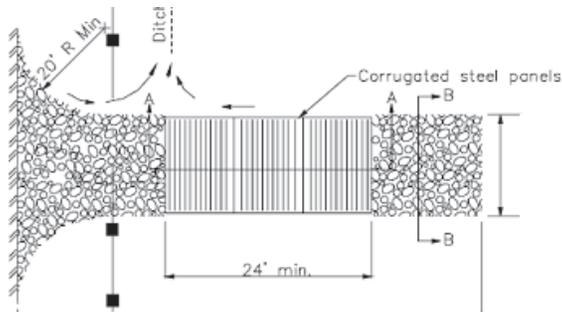


## Storm Water Quality Ordinance

The City of Garden Grove has a Storm Water Quality Ordinance (Title 6, Chapter 40 of the City's Municipal Code) that contains certain requirements and prohibitions to help prevent urban runoff from polluting our beaches and waterways. It also facilitates compliance with the federal requirements to control pollutants entering the City's storm drain system.



## How can I comply with the Ordinance?

Best Management Practices (BMPs) are ways that you and your employees can implement to prevent construction debris from entering the storm drain. Examples of basic BMPs are provided in this brochure. Detailed information is available online at [www.cabmphandbooks.com](http://www.cabmphandbooks.com).

## What happens if I don't comply with the ordinance?

The City may impose civil or criminal sanctions against you and your business for allowing runoff and construction debris to enter the storm drain system. Businesses and individuals are also responsible for maintaining basic BMPs on construction sites. Enforcement actions could include verbal warnings, monetary fines, stop work notices, and/or criminal penalties. If the City has to clean up spills or discharges, violators will also be billed for the City's cleanup and disposal costs.

## Spill Response Agencies

City of Garden Grove Fire Department  
(714) 741-5600 or if emergency, dial 911

City of Garden Grove Environmental  
Compliance Division (714) 741-5375

Orange County Resources and Development  
Management Department:(877) 89-SPILL

## Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

City of Garden Grove Public Works Department  
(714) 741-5375

## Report Illegal Dumping

City of Garden Grove Environmental  
Compliance Division (714) 741-5375

## To Report a Clogged Catch Basin

City of Garden Grove Public Works Department  
(714) 741-5375

For more information about storm drain protection or additional brochures, please call the City of Garden Grove Public Works Department at (714) 741-5375.



***This brochure is one of a series of pamphlets describing storm drain protection measures.***

*Pamphlets include:* Painting • Food Service Establishments • Fresh Concrete and Mortar Application • General Construction and Site Supervision • Heavy Equipment and Earth Moving Activities • Landscaping, Gardening and Pest Control • Home Repair and Remodeling • Automotive Maintenance and Car Care • Roadwork and Paving • Pet Waste Maintenance Practices for your Business

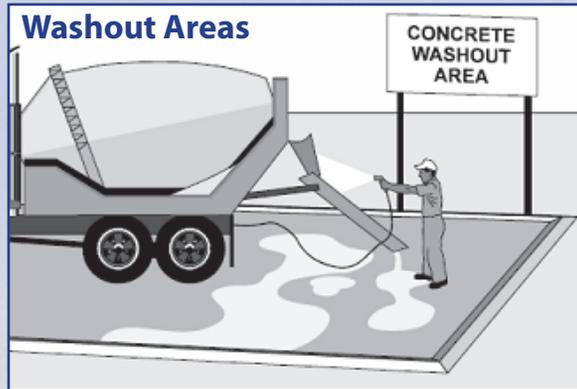
## Preventing Storm Water Pollution During Construction Activities

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**Construction Sites**  
**Homeowners**

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## Earthmoving Equipment

All earthmoving equipment must be stored onsite. Drip pans must be placed under equipment not in use, and maintenance must be conducted onsite. Equipment leaks should be cleaned up and repaired immediately.



Disposal of 'wet' construction materials should be handled in the washout area. This includes paint, stucco and concrete. Use a plastic lined pit to collect and contain liquids and prevent runoff into the street and gutter. The washout area must be checked and maintained daily to ensure compliance. Washout material must be disposed of properly.

## Dirt and Grading

Stockpiled dirt and gravel must be stored onsite and covered. Dust control shall be maintained throughout all phases of construction and to prevent tracking. During the rainy season (October 1- April 30)

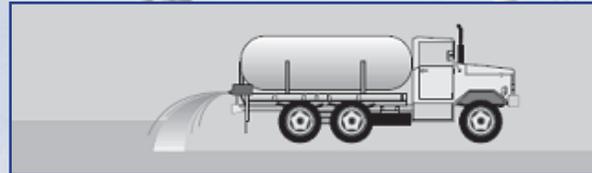


additional gravel, tarps and plastic sheeting must be stored onsite for emergency use.

All sites required to have a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and/

or erosion control and grading plan must have these plans available at all times for review by inspectors. All requirements set forth in these plans are to be adhered to for the duration of the project and updated as necessary.

## Concrete Trucks/Pumpers



Pumpers must be surrounded by perimeter controls, such as gravel bags, sand bags and straw wattles. Tarps also must be placed beneath concrete pumpers at all times to prevent spills into the street and sidewalk. Residual materials must be cleaned up as well. Trucks and pumpers are required to clean out in the washout area, not the street, catch basin or any other part of the storm drain system.

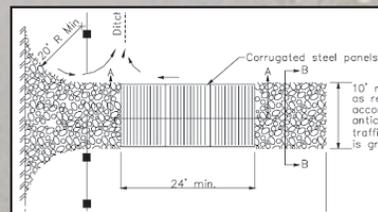
## Perimeter Controls

Gravel bags, silt fences and straw wattles are acceptable perimeter controls and must be used to control site runoff and runoff. Avoid running over perimeter controls with vehicles or heavy equipment, as they can damage the materials. Keep extra absorbent materials and/or a wet/dry vacuum onsite to quickly pick up spills. Sites must be checked and maintained daily.



## Tracking Controls

All entrances/exits on the site must have coarse gravel (1" to 3" angular material) and/or steel shaker



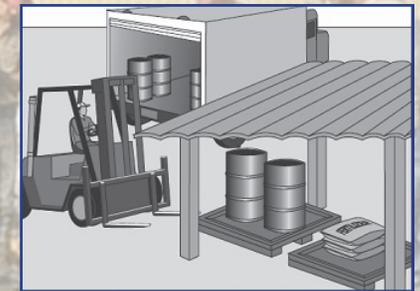
plates to limit offsite sediment tracking. Hand or mechanical sweeping must also be used continuously throughout the day to clean up any material that gets tracked offsite.

## Dumpsters and Portable Toilets

Dumpsters must be covered with a tarp at the end of each workday and area around the dumpster must be kept clean. Dumpsters must be located onsite unless an Encroachment Permit is obtained for placement in the street. Portable toilets must have drip pans and be placed onsite so that any spills don't discharge offsite.

## Building Materials/Staging Areas

Construction materials (Including landscape materials) must be stored onsite. Building materials



must be covered when not in use to prevent runoff caused by wind or rain. All trash and debris from construction activities cannot be allowed to litter the site. Continuous housekeeping practices must be implemented to prevent accumulation of trash and debris throughout the site.

## Liquid Storage

Paints, solvents, fuel and other liquids stored onsite must be contained and covered. It is illegal for contractors to washout or dump liquid waste or residue on the construction site, street, storm drain or sewer. Use washouts or hazardous material drums to contain liquid waste and residue and disposed of this material properly.