# CALLAWAY STORMWATER



### ILLICIT DISCHARGE AND HOW IT AFFECTS YOUR BUSINESS

Continuing its commitment to prevent stormwater pollution from entering community waters, the City of Callaway Commission adopted Ordinance No. 873, regulating stormwater and illicit discharge. This ordinance establishes rules and provides for penalties to prohibit illicit discharges and connection into the City's stormwater drain system.







### BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES



# **Proper Cleaning**

- Always empty wash water and mop buckets into the mop sink or floor drain.
- Clean floor mats and garbage cans in a mop sink or floor drain. DO NOT wash them in a parking lot, alley, sidewalk or street.
- Regularly inspect for and clean trash from around outside of the business.
- Use the least toxic cleaning products.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Your place of business may be selected for a random illicit discharge spot inspection. It may also be inspected as a result of observed behavior by city staff, as a result of illicit discharge detection in your immediate area, or as a result of a call received to the Public Works Department.

# REMOVE ILLICIT CONNECTIONS

Illicit connections are conveyances to the stormwater system, typically from indoor sinks and drains. These are illegal, even if previously permitted. Inspect your facility thoroughly and know what system your drains connect to. Remove all illicit connections. Please call us if you would like assistance in inspecting your facility. Callaway Public Works Department 850-871-1033.



### BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Fats, Oil, and Grease (FOG)

• Regular maintenance and service of your sewer lines and grease trap interceptor will help prevent sewer overflows to the storm drain system.

• Do not pour FOG into floor drains, sinks, or into

parking lot inlets.

• Use dry methods for oil or grease cleanup such as kitty litter or towels.

Maintain grease traps!

Recycle grease and oil.



### CONTAIN SOURCES OF POLLUTION

- Inventory your business to know where liquids are stored, handled, delivered and disposed of. Secure liquids to prevent spills.
- Hazardous materials and pollution sources should have secondary containment barriers such as permanent or mobile berms, capture containers or some type of dedicated area that will stop runoff.
- Have a plan to clean up spills quickly and safely.
- Keep a spill kit ready and make sure employees know how to use it.
- Locate all drains and determine if they lead to sanitary or storm sewer. Only rain down the drain!



## GOOD HOUSEKEEPING PRACTICES

- Involving employees in routine monitoring of housekeeping practices has proven to be an effective means of ensuring the continued implementation of these measures.
- Common areas where good housekeeping practices should be followed include trash containers and adjacent areas, material storage areas, vehicle and equipment maintenance areas, and loading docks.
- Good housekeeping practices must include a schedule for regular pickup and disposal of garbage and waste materials and routine inspections of drums, tanks, and containers for leaks and structural conditions.
- Containing and covering garbage, waste materials, and debris.

Take steps now to ensure compliance. Start by identifying and removing any illicit connections to the storm system. Develop a pollution prevention plan and train your employees to use BEST Management Practices. For guidance, ideas, and tips, visit www.epa.gov.



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