

Examples of what you should report:



Gas and oil entering a storm drain



Soap suds exiting a storm drain pipe



Abandoned cans of paint



Any obstruction to a storm drain

Report Illicit Discharges

As a City employee and/or member of the public, it is your responsibility to report any illicit discharges or connections you may encounter in your duties or in the community.

Information to Report:

- Location/address of the problem
- Quantity, origin, color, and odor of the substance
- Vehicle license number or individuals involved in the discharge/dumping

To report storm water pollution or illicit discharges, call the City Public Works Department at 805.688.5177*/Engineering Department 805.688.5200 or the County of Santa Barbara's Project Clean Water at 805.568.3440 or 1.877.OUR.OCEAN.

In case of emergency (such as a large gasoline or chemical spill), contact the County Sheriff or Fire Department at 911.



* After Hours Answering Service

Recognizing and Reporting STORMWATER POLLUTION



City of Buellton

Public Works Department 805.688.5177

Engineering Department 805.688.5200

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The City of Buellton is committed to detecting and eliminating illicit discharges and connections to the storm drain system in accordance with the State municipal storm water general permit. An illicit discharge is the release of any substance other than rain water into the storm drain system.

The following are common pollution sources:

Residential

- Yard waste and trash
- Laundry wastewater
- Sewer wastewater
- Home improvement waste (concrete, mortar, and paint)
- Vehicle by-products
- Pet waste



Yard waste obstructing a storm drain

Creekside

- Trash
- RV sewer dumping
- Greenwaste disposal
- Human waste

Construction

- Sediment from soil erosion
- Construction waste (paint, solvents, and drywall)
- Overspray from water tenders for dust control
- Sidewalk and street washdown water



Illicit discharge of sediment to storm drain system

Commercial/Industrial

- Hoses, PVC pipes, or connections discharging directly into a catch basin, storm drain, channel, or culvert

- Accumulated trash and debris
- Improperly stored products (waste oil, paint)
- Leaky vehicles or equipment
- Exposed trash storage/disposal



Abandoned 55-gallon drums containing unknown wastes exposed to rainwater



Restaurant

- Restaurant food waste
- Cooking fats, oils, and grease
- Mop wash water
- Leaking dumpsters