



The LA County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit requires restaurants, commercial businesses, and industrial businesses to implement best management practices (BMPs) to prevent stormwater pollution.

NPDES Compliance Inspection

Restaurants, commercial businesses, and industrial businesses are subject to an inspection. A National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) inspection report will be generated at each facility to

confirm stormwater BMPs are effectively implemented in compliance with city municipal ordinances and the Clean Water Act.

A written Notice of Violation with a correction period may be issued first to allow adequate time to correct the violation(s). If the violation is not corrected by the date specified in the Notice of Violation, an Administrative Citation may be issued as well as a reinspection fee.

The City of Alhambra will provide on-site technical assistance or telephone consultation. Additional educational materials are available. It is the responsibility of a business to reduce the discharge of pollutants.

No Dumping! Outdoor Drains Lead Directly to the Ocean!



For more information or additional educational materials contact Environmental Compliance

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The City of Alhambra appreciates your efforts in preventing stormwater pollution.

Business Assistance Program

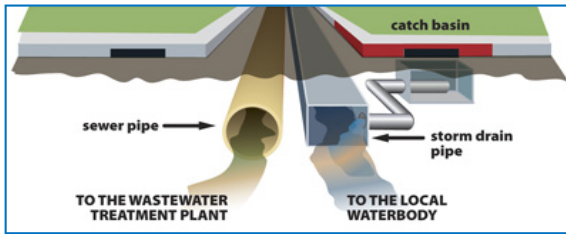
For Stormwater Pollution Prevention



Business specific information for compliance with the NPDES MS4 Permit Requirements.

Business Assistance Program

The City of Alhambra has two drainage systems; the sewer and the storm drain. The storm drain system was designed to prevent flooding by carrying excess rain water away from City streets out to the Los Angeles River.



During storms in urban areas, rainwater runoff picks up pollutants from parking lots, trash enclosures, streets, and sidewalks. Pollutants such as oil, grease, debris and trash contain chemicals and bacteria that are harmful to aquatic life and humans.

Stormwater pollution can also be caused by nuisance water from sources such as irrigation systems, car washing, driveway and pavement rinsing. These sources can also carry pollutants directly to lakes, rivers, and beaches.

Please consider these general best management practices (BMPs) in this brochure for your business to assist with stormwater pollution prevention:

- ✓ Properly maintain all outdoor areas; parking lot, loading docks, trash receptacles, and drain grates.
- ✓ Protect outdoor work and storage areas from pollutant mobilization by using tarps or covers.
- ✓ Properly dispose of trash, construction, and hazardous waste.



- ✓ Use watertight waste receptacles, keep dumpster lids closed, and do not overfill.
- ✓ Discharge wastewater to the sewer via utility sink.
- ✗ **Do not dump or pour wastewater in the gutter, street, or storm drains.**
- ✓ Contain all site materials and cleanup spills without using water and have absorbent material available.
- ✓ Avoid illicit connections to the storm drain system and prevent discharges from flowing off property.
- ✓ Train all employees to implement BMPs.
- ✓ Train employees to manage hazardous materials.
- ✗ **Do not hose down your driveway, sidewalk, floor mats, loading docks, patios or parking lots to the street, gutter or storm drain.**

Automotive Business BMPs

- ✓ Fuel-dispensing areas are covered and swept.
- ✓ Automatic shutoff dispenser nozzles are installed.
- ✓ Signs posted close to fuel dispensers warning "do not top off."
- ✓ Air / water supply areas are free and clear of leaks or drips.
- ✓ Drip trays or absorbent material are available.

Food Service Establishment BMPs

- ✓ Down spouts are free and clear of grease build up.
- ✗ **Do not wash/rinse floor mats, exhaust hood, trash cans or equipment outdoors.**
- ✗ **Do not discharge / pour any waste water or wash water to the sidewalk, street, gutter or storm drain.**

Businesses are inspected to assure measures are in place to prevent stormwater pollution. Examples of businesses that are subject to inspection include:

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| ✓ Food Service Establishments | ✓ Vehicle Towing / Storage |
| ✓ Industrial | ✓ Retail Auto Parts |
| ✓ Gas Stations | ✓ Car Wash / Detail |
| ✓ Automotive Services | ✓ Warehousing |
| ✓ Auto Sales / Repair | ✓ Manufacturing |
| ✓ Car Rental | ✓ Fabrication |
| ✓ Tire Service | ✓ Woodworking |

Examples of service providers that are not inspected by the City of Alhambra but require the use of stormwater pollution prevention BMPs:

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| ✓ Mobile Automobile / Equipment Repair | ✓ Swimming Pool / Spa |
| ✓ Mobile Washing / Detailing | ✓ Water Softening |
| ✓ Power Washing | ✓ Portable Sanitary Services |
| ✓ Mobile Carpet, Drape, or Upholstery Cleaning | ✓ Commercial Applicators of Pesticides, Herbicides and Fertilizers |