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with just a few steps.

Inspect Your Business

The *County of San Diego Watershed Protection Program* supports businesses in their efforts to prevent pollution by offering these important Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs).

(!) Water that is released into the streets, gutters, and storm drains in San Diego County IS NOT TREATED before it reaches our local creeks, rivers, and the ocean. All sources of pollution are prohibited from leaving your property and entering streets or storm drains. Only rainwater is allowed in the streets and storm drains. These tips for inspecting your business will help keep our waterways clean.

Inspection Checklist

- ☐ Inspect inside and outside areas of your business at least once per year and look for areas that need improvement.
- ☐ Eliminate any illegal connections to the storm drain system or receiving waters.
- ☑ Make sure that all non-stormwater discharges are captured on-site and recycled, reused, or properly disposed according to all applicable laws and regulations.
- ☐ Inspect grounds routinely for trash and spills that require immediate cleanup attention.
- □ Inspect parking and fueling areas periodically for an accumulation of substances such as oil, fuel, and grease.
- Periodically inspect, clean, and maintain the rooftops of your building(s).
- ☐ Routinely inspect and maintain all structural stormwater controls such as catch basins, oil/water separators, sumps, berms, or secondary containment devices.

more tips >>>



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Documentation and Record Keeping

- Document any corrective action taken.
- Document all visual observations; evaluate effectiveness and condition of all BMPs.
- ☐ Ensure that your Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and other related documents are kept up to date and that all elements are correct and adequately implemented.
- ☐ Keep all stormwater related documentation available for inspector's review, including training records, SWPPP, Notice of Intent or Monitoring/Sampling records.
- Releasing pollutants directly or indirectly into the storm drain system or waterways is a violation of the County's Watershed Protection Ordinance (WPO). Your business is required to comply with the WPO and the above minimum BMPs.

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thank you for doing your part to protect our waterways.

