

North Bay Area Pollution Prevention Agencies

Alameda County

Stormwater

Alameda Countywide
Clean Water
Program
(510) 670-5543

Wastewater Treatment

City of Hayward
(510) 881-7969
City of Livermore
(510) 373-5230
City of San Leandro
(510) 577-3434
Dublin San Ramon
Services District
(510) 846-4565
East Bay Municipal
Utility District
(EBMUD)
(510) 287-1651
Oro Loma Sanitary
District
(510) 276-4700
Union Sanitary
District
(510) 790-0100

Contra Costa County

Stormwater

Contra Costa Clean
Water Program
(510) 313-2364

Wastewater Treatment

Central Contra Costa
Sanitary District
(510) 229-7288

City of Hercules
(510) 799-8242

City of Pinole
(510) 724-8963

City of Richmond
(510) 412-2014

Rodeo Sanitation
District
(510) 799-2970

Delta Diablo
Sanitation District
(510) 778-4040

Dublin San Ramon
Services District
(510) 846-4565

Mt. View Sanitary
District
(510) 228-5635

West County
Wastewater District
(510) 237-6603

Marin County

Stormwater

Marin County
Stormwater Pollution
Prevention Program
(415) 485-3363

Wastewater Treatment

Central Marin
Sanitation Agency
(415) 459-1455

Las Gallinas Valley
Sanitary District
(415) 472-1734

Marin County
Sanitary District #5
(415) 435-1501

Novato Sanitary
District
(415) 892-1694

Sausalito-Marín City
Sanitary District
(415) 332-0244

Sewerage Agency
of Southern Marin
(415) 388-2402

Napa County

Wastewater Treatment

City of Calistoga
(707) 942-2828

City of St. Helena
(707) 963-2741

Napa Sanitation
District
(707) 258-6024

Town of Yountville
(707) 944-2988

San Francisco County

Stormwater and Wastewater Treatment

Department of Public
Works, BERM
(415) 695-7310

Solano County

Stormwater

Fairfield-Suisun
Urban Runoff
Management
Program
(707) 429-8930

Vallejo Sanitation
and Flood Control
District
(707) 644-8949,
ext. 281

Wastewater Treatment

City of Benicia
(707) 746-1098

Fairfield-Suisun
Sewer District
(707) 429-8930

Vallejo Sanitation
and Flood Control
District
(707) 644-8949,
ext. 281

Sonoma County

Wastewater Treatment

City of Petaluma
(707) 762-5892

Sonoma Valley
County Sanitation
District
(707) 938-4052

Outdoor Cleaning

Where does the water go?

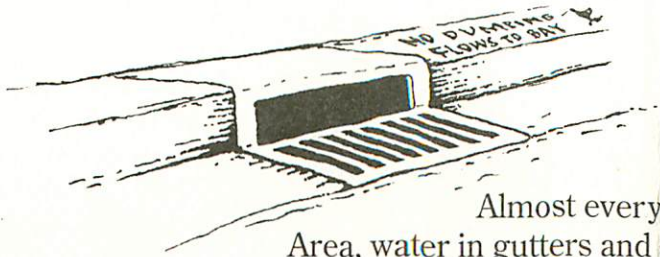


Guidelines for
disposal of washwater
from outdoor cleaning
projects

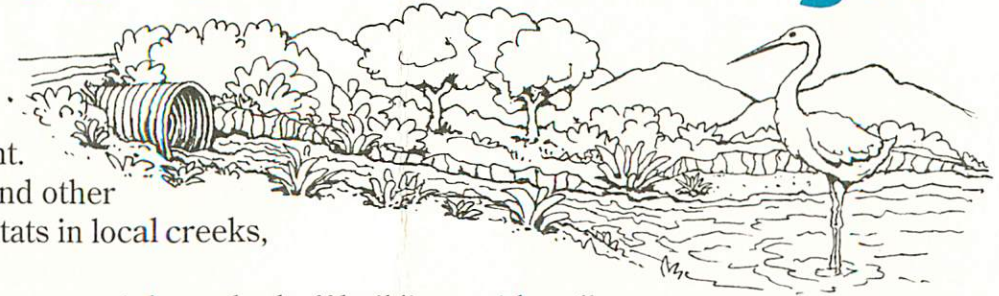
- ◆ Sidewalk/plaza/
parking lot cleaning
- ◆ Vehicle cleaning/detailing
- ◆ Building exterior cleaning
- ◆ Waterproofing
- ◆ Equipment cleaning/degreasing

**Help Protect
our Creeks, Bay,
Coast, and Delta!**

Where should the water go?



Almost everywhere in the Bay Area, water in gutters and storm drains flows directly to local creeks or the Bay—with no wastewater treatment. Washwater used in outdoor cleaning projects often carries dirt and other harmful pollutants that clog storm drains, damage sensitive habitats in local creeks, and finally end up polluting the Bay, Delta, or coast.



Soaps, degreasers, automotive fluids, litter, and a host of other materials washed off buildings, sidewalks, plazas, parking areas, vehicles, and equipment all harm wildlife and pollute Bay Area waters. In fact, allowing any kind of polluting substance into a storm drain is against the law!

Use these guidelines when cleaning outdoors or disposing of washwater!

Onto landscaping or unpaved surface?

YES! Dispose of **small amounts** of washwater from **cleaning building exteriors, sidewalks, or plazas** onto landscaping or unpaved surface if you have the owner's permission and the discharge will not cause flooding or nuisance problems, or flow to a creek.



NO! Be sure **large amounts** of these types of washwater are not discharged **onto landscaping or soil** where water may run to a street or storm drain. Wastewater from exterior cleaning may be pumped to a sewer line with specific permission from the local wastewater treatment plant.



Down a sink or toilet—through the sewer to a wastewater treatment plant?

YES! Water from **many outdoor cleaning activities** may be acceptable to the local wastewater treatment plant. See the list on the back of this flyer for phone numbers of treatment plants in your area.



NO! **Hazardous wastes** should never be poured down the sewer, and must be disposed of properly. When in doubt, call the local wastewater treatment agency! They will be able to tell you what kinds of wastes they *cannot* accept.



To the street or storm drain?

YES! Water (with no soap) used to remove dust from clean vehicles may be discharged to a street or storm drain. Washwater from sidewalk, plaza, and building surface cleaning may go into a street or storm drain if **ALL** of these conditions are met:



- 1) You have used **dry** cleanup methods (sweeping, and cleaning any oil or chemical spills with rags or other absorbent materials) before using water.
- 2) The surfaces being cleaned were all free of fresh oil stains, debris, and similar pollutants.
- 3) Cleaning is done with **water only**—no soap or other cleaning materials.
- 4) You have not used the water to remove paint from surfaces during cleaning.

NO!



Sending water that contains **soap or any other type of pollution** to a storm drain or water body violates state and/or local regulations. Because **wastewater from cleaning parking areas or roadways** normally contains metallic brake pad dust, oil, and other automotive fluids, it should never be discharged to a street, gutter, or storm drain.