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## ILLICIT DISCHARGE PREVENTION

### **MSD Project Clear**

MSD Project Clear partners with St. Louis County and 59 local municipalities to comply with the Phase II Stormwater Regulations. Together, we actively work to reduce pollutants picked up and carried by stormwater to local bodies of water through the St. Louis region.

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## THE PROBLEM

An illicit discharge is any discharge to the storm sewer system that is not composed entirely of stormwater (rainwater or snow melt), except for discharges allowed under a permit. Storm sewers drain water directly to our area creeks and streams without treatment.

### Illicit Discharge Examples

- Trash & litter
- Motor oil & auto fluids
- Cooking oil & grease
- Cleaner & soaps
- Dumpster leakage
- Construction materials
- Yard waste
- Pesticides
- Fertilizers
- Pool chemicals
- Paints
- Wash water

## THE SOLUTION

- Prevent spills when working outdoors by placing drip pans, or drop cloths before you start.
- Clean up spills by dry methods, such as sweeping, or apply absorbents and then sweep them up.
- Store chemicals, cleaners, auto fluids, paint supplies and other similar materials indoors or under cover in leak-proof containers.
- Properly dispose of unused chemicals, cleaners and other household hazardous wastes. Check the label for care directions.
- Never blow or rake yard waste into drainage structures including ditches or directly into waterways.
- If you suspect an illicit discharge, call the MSD Project Clear 24 hour customer service number below.

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