

STORMWATER FACT SHEET:

Controlling Spills from Street and Highway Department Mobile Operations

WHAT IS THE RISK OF POLLUTION FROM MUNICIPAL VEHICLES?

TRUCKS & VEHICLES TRANSPORT MATERIAL IN OPEN BEDS

- Municipal trucks and vehicles routinely carry fuel, oils and grease in exposed open truck beds.
- Municipal staff also transport other potentially polluting materials or organic materials like mud, rock, silt and other sediment.

RAINWATER AND SNOW MELT CAN COLLECT POLLUTANTS FROM TRUCK BEDS AND LEAK OUT POLLUTED WATER WHEREVER THE TRUCK GOES



TRUCK AND VEHICLE BED POLLUTION PREVENTION

- Make sure items in the truck bed are secure with tarps and tie-downs.
- Properly dispose of pollutants such as oil and gasoline in proper containers in the municipal facility.
- Properly dispose of non-toxic waste (such as litter, tree branches, leaves, paper waste, etc.)
- Wash vehicles regularly at designated vehicle wash locations.
- Perform vehicle maintenance regularly to prevent vehicle leaks.
- Always try to avoid spills by handling materials with care.

Wash Vehicles in Designated Areas & Follow Wash Procedures

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