

Spill Response

Non-Emergency Calls:

Solano County Department
of Resource Management
(707) 784-6765



Fairfield Police Department
(707) 428-7300

Suisun City Police Department
(707) 421-7373

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

Emergency Calls Only:

Dial 911



Other Useful Numbers:

San Francisco Bay Regional Water
Quality Control Board
(510) 622-2300

Fairfield Public Works Department
(707) 428-7485

Suisun City Public Works Department
(707) 421-7340

CA Department of Fish & Game
(707) 944-5512

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This brochure is one of a series of
pamphlets describing storm drain pro-
tection measures for specific types of
construction industry activities. Other
pamphlets include:

- **General Construction and Site Supervision**
- **Landscaping, Gardening, and Pool Maintenance**
- **Painting and Application of Solvents and Adhesives**
- **Fresh Concrete and Mortar Application**
- **Roadwork and Paving**
- **Earth-Moving Activities**
- **Heavy Equipment Operation**

For more information about the storm
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al brochures, call:

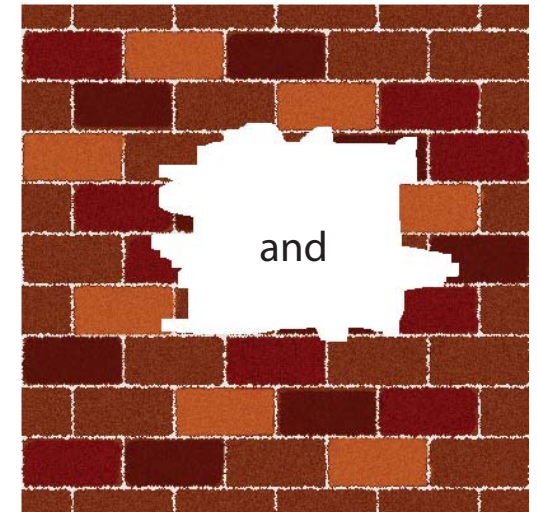


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Stormwater Pollution Prevention for

Fresh Concrete



Mortar Application

Best Management Practices for the Construction Industry

Storm Drain Pollution Prevention It's Up to Us

In the Fairfield-Suisun area, storm drains flow directly to the Suisun Marsh, San Francisco Bay, and onto the Pacific Ocean without treatment. Stormwater pollution is a serious problem for wildlife dependent on our waterways and for the people who live near streams or wetlands. Some common sources of this pollution include automotive fluids from vehicles and heavy equipment; landscaping runoff containing pesticides or weed killers; and materials such as used motor oil, antifreeze, and paint products that people pour or spill into a street or storm drain.

The Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District and the Cities of Fairfield and Suisun City have joined together to inform local residents and businesses about how to fight storm drain pollution. Help us by using the practices described in this brochure.

Who Should Use This Brochure?

- Masons and bricklayers
- Sidewalk construction crews
- Patio construction inspectors
- General contractors
- Home builders
- Developers

Storm Drain Pollution from Masonry and Paving

Fresh concrete and cement-related mortars that wash into lakes, streams, or estuaries are toxic to fish and the aquatic environment. Disposing of these materials to the storm drains or creeks causes serious problems—and is prohibited by law.

What Can You Do?

General Business Practices:



- Both at your yard and the construction site, always store both dry and wet materials under cover, protected from rainfall and runoff. Protect dry materials from wind and keep wind-blown cement powder away from gutters, storm drains, rainfall, and runoff.
- Secure bags of cement after they are open.
- Wash out concrete mixers and tools only in designated wash-out areas in your yard, where the water will flow into containment ponds. Let concrete harden and dispose of as garbage. Whenever possible, recycle washout by pumping the washout back into mixers for reuse.

- **Never dispose of washout into the street, storm drains, drainage ditches, or streams!**



During Construction:

- Don't mix up more fresh concrete or cement than you will use in a day.
- Set up and operate small mixers, concrete trucks & pumps on tarps or heavy plastic drop cloths.
- When you are cleaning up after driveway or sidewalk construction, wash fines onto dirt areas not down the driveway or into the street storm drain.
- Prevent aggregate wash from driveway/patio construction from entering storm drains. Hose aggregate wash onto dirt areas and spade into dirt.
- Place straw wattles or other erosion controls downslope to capture runoff carrying mortar or cement before it reaches the storm drain.
- When breaking up paving, be sure to pick up the pieces and dispose properly.
- Recycle large chunks of broken concrete at landfill.
- Dispose of small amounts of excess dry concrete, grout, and mortar in the trash.
- Never bury solid or hazardous waste material.