



## What is Sawcut Slurry?

Sawcut Slurry is a mixture of the concrete sediment, gravel and washdown resulting from a sawcutting operation.

## Why is Sawcut Slurry a Problem?

Storm drains can carry sawcut slurry and other pollutant runoffs from the streets and gutters directly to local waterways.

Sawcut slurry can be toxic to wildlife in creeks, bays and oceans.

Slurry can clog storm drains and catch basins which could cause flooding.

If sawcut slurry from your job enters a catch basin, you have broken the Law!

Allowing sawcut slurry to enter a storm drain inlet, catch basin, creek or waterway is a violation of local, state, and federal regulations. If sawcut slurry enters a storm drainage system, all offenders could be subject to fines and cleanup costs.

You  
Can Protect the Environment  
&  
Eliminate Unlawful Discharges into the Storm Drain System  
By Following the

# Three-Step Procedure

### 1. Block Drains

Locate all nearby storm drain inlets, culverts, catch basins, etc. through which sediment discharges may enter and eventually reach a waterway.

If you are within access of a storm drain inlet, block the path to the nearest drain. Use pollution prevention controls such as sand/gravel bags, or inlet filters in and/or around the storm drain grating to prevent discharges into the storm drain.

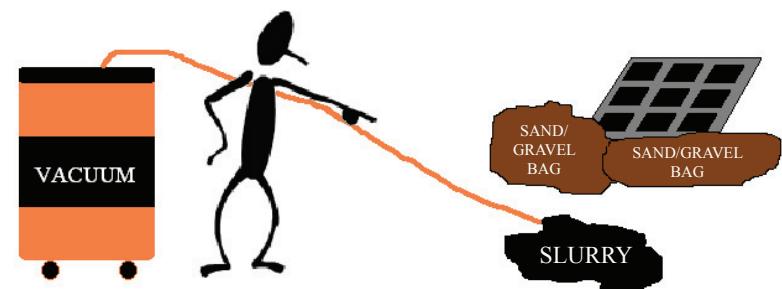
### 2. Minimize Slurry

Slurry and sediment from saw cutting operations should be confined to the immediate area. The amount of runoff should be minimized. Use as little water as possible.

### 3. Remove Slurry

Protect the general public. Minimize the tracking of the slurry off site by cars and pedestrians. Efficiently and effectively collect and remove all slurry and runoff from the saw cutting operation as soon as possible. Be sure to include removal of any slurry collected near the storm drain inlets.

Always dispose of all collected sediment and slurry in a proper manner.



## **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

This brochure is one of a series of pamphlets describing storm drain protection 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**

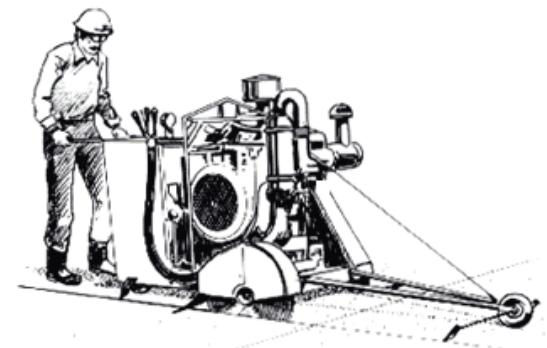
For more information about the storm drain protection program and additional brochures, call:



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# **Sawcut Slurry**

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## **Best Management Practices for the Construction Industry**