## WHAT IS AN ILLICIT DISCHARGE?

An Illicit Discharge is defined as any discharge to the storm sewer system that is not composed entirely of stormwater.

## WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE IDDE PROGRAM?

To comply with Virginia Code and the Federal Clean Water Act, the County has implemented this program to identify, reduce, and ultimately eliminate illicit discharges to improve the quality of water flowing into our rivers, lakes and streams.

Stormwater does NOT get treated at the local wastewater treatment plants, so anything in the storm drains will get carried directly to local waterways!

## REPORT ILLICIT DISCHARGES (540) 658-8830

\*If the spill is hazardous, please immediately call 911\*

# Tips for preventing illicit discharges:

- Never dump any waste products or other inappropriate materials into a storm drain gutter or street grate.
- Take waste products to an appropriate disposal facility.
- Secure chemicals or cleaners over a protective surface and away from storm drains or water bodies.
- Provide shelter to any hazardous waste product and do not expose any waste product to direct rainfall.
- Use tarps to catch waste and residue when working outside, such as car maintenance or when painting.
- Apply absorbing material (ex. cat litter) to any hazardous spill immediately.
- Educate family, friends and neighbors about the proper disposal of waste products.

# Illicit Discharge, Detection, & Elimination Program





## Proper Disposal of Household Hazardous Wastes:

The Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) offers Household Hazardous Waste Collection days each year at sites in Stafford County and the City of Fredericksburg.

Residents can bring household hazardous wastes to specified locations for proper disposal. Proof of residency in Stafford County or the City of Fredericksburg must be provided in order to drop off hazardous materials.



For more information about household hazardous waste collection, please contact:

Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (540) 658-5279 www.r-board.org





## EXAMPLES OF ILLICIT DISCHARGES:

- Chlorinated Pool Water
- Sewage
- Grass Clippings/Leaves blown into the street/storm drain
- Salt Piles
- Discharges from Unpermitted Land Disturbing Activities
- Dumpster Leachate
- Cleaning Supplies
- Construction Wastes (debris, sludge, etc.)
- Non-Residential Vehicle Wash
- Paint
- Vehicle Oil





#### EXAMPLES OF <u>ALLOWABLE</u> DISCHARGES:

- Fire Fighting Activities
- Dechlorinated Swimming Pool Discharges
- Landscape Irrigation and Lawn Watering
- Foundation/Footing Drains
- Water Line Flushing
- Discharges of Potable Water Sources
- Street Wash Water
- Air Conditioner Condensation





Penalties for knowingly producing an illicit discharge:

Class 1 Misdemeanor & Fines of \$250-\$1,000 (County Code - §Chapter 21.5 Article II)



Scan the QR code for additional information on illicit discharges and how to report them

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