

City of Ventura

Stormwater Pollution Control Guidance

All Construction Sites regardless of size shall implement an effective combination of stormwater pollution controls to mitigate erosion, sediment, non-stormwater, waste and wind/dust risks. BMP guidance includes but not limited to:

1. **Sediment** shall be retained within the job site using Best Management Practices (BMPs). Sediment controls include gravel bags, straw fiber rolls and/or silt fencing. Any sediment and debris leaving the site shall be swept and cleaned immediately using dry clean-up methods. Hosing and rinsing shall not be used to remove sediment from streets. **Sediment should not be discharged to the street, gutter or storm drain.**
2. **Erosion** from slopes, steep driveways and channels shall be eliminated by implementing BMPs including but not limited to: limiting of grading scheduled during the wet season, inspecting graded areas during rain events, preservation of existing vegetation, fiber rolls, velocity dissipation devices, planting and maintenance of vegetation on slopes, and covering erosion susceptible slopes. Erosion controls can also include wood mulching, hydromulching and hydroseeding.
3. **No construction related materials, wastes, spills or residues shall be discharged from the project site** to the streets, gutters, drainage facilities, adjacent properties or storm drains by wind or water runoff. All concrete/stucco/plaster projects shall have **washout areas** such fiber roll lined with thick plastic, buckets and any leak proof container to prevent all contact with bare soil. Washing out into the ground, street, gutter or storm drain is a violation of the stormwater regulations. **Washout waste shall not be disposed on bare soil, holes or ditches.** Stockpiles should be covered at the end of each day and prior to all rain events. Use secondary containment for portable restrooms.
4. **Non-stormwater runoff** from equipment and vehicle washing and any other activity shall be **contained on the project site.** During construction projects, drip pans are to be placed under leaking equipment/vehicles. Prevent water runoff by repairing hose leaks immediately and not allowing water to leave your site. Implement BMPs immediately to prevent non-stormwater discharges.

Stockpiles on streets is illegal in the City of Ventura



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Non-compliance with Stormwater Regulations is subject to a civil and/or legal action per San Buenaventura Municipal Code Section 8.600.540

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