

BMP FH02- Cleaning indoor surfaces

Indoor surfaces shall not be cleaned using wet methods (e.g., hosing, steam-cleaning, pressure-washing) unless adequate precautions have been taken to prevent the entry of wash water and other contaminants into the Storm Water Conveyance System. Wash water shall be primarily directed to the sanitary sewer system or floor drains.



Pollution Prevention Guidelines:

- Equipment (mats, grease filters, etc.) may not be washed in areas where wash water or rinse water will drain to the Storm Water Conveyance System. Dischargers are responsible for operating facilities based on the MOU with Vellacitos Water District. If discharge exceeds MOU guidelines, the discharge may require obtaining specific approval/permit with Vellacitos Water District prior to discharging to the sanitary sewer.
- Wherever possible, CSUSM facilities will use floor mats that are small enough to be cleaned inside near a floor sink or drain connected to the sanitary sewer.
- Equipment will be cleaned in designated indoor areas, such as a kitchen sink or floor, with a drain connected to the sanitary sewer or in designated covered outdoor areas with a drain connected to the sanitary sewer. This area will be isolated from the storm drain with a berm or other barrier.

Training Guidelines:

- Train employees in proper indoor surface cleaning methods.
- Train employees on proper spill containment and clean up, and in identifying non-stormwater discharges.
- Use a training log or similar method to document training.