

BMP NS05 - Illegal Dumping

Implement measures to detect, correct, and enforce against illegal dumping of pollutants on streets, into the storm drain system, and into creeks. Substances illegally dumped on streets, into the storm drain system, and into creeks include paints, used oil and other automotive fluids, construction debris, chemicals, fresh concrete, leaves, grass clippings, and pet wastes. All of these wastes can cause storm water and receiving water quality problems as well as clog the storm drain system. One of the keys to success is increasing the general public's awareness of the problem and to at least identify the incident.



Pollution Prevention Guidelines:

- CSUSM staff that may come into contact with illegal dumping activities shall be equipped to respond and notify appropriate parties. Staff will contact the University Police department to report offenders in the act.
- Provide the public with a mechanism for reporting such as a hot line.
- Track or identify the types and quantities (in some cases) of wastes, patterns in time of occurrence (time of day/night, month, or year).
- Mode of dumping (abandoned containers, “midnight dumping” from moving vehicles, direct dumping of materials, accident/spills), and responsible parties.

Design Guidelines:

- Design a tracking system also helps manage the program by indicating trends, and identifying who, what, when, and where efforts should be concentrated.
- Establish system for tracking incidents which will identify: Illegal dumping “hot spots”

Inspection Guidelines:

- Inspect the campus for signs of illegal dumping, residue of spills and leaks.

Training Guidelines:

- Train CSUSM staff from all departments to recognize and report incidents.