

Trash Management

BMP Fact Sheet

Pollutants of Concern



Trash & Debris Oil & Grease
Bacteria



Purpose

To prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants from trash storage areas from entering storm drains.

Application

Outdoor trash and recycling storage areas (dumpsters, bins, and Zero Waste stations).

Practices

- Keep outdoor trash and recycling dumpsters closed when not in use.
- Empty outdoor trash and recycling bins and Zero Waste stations frequently (e.g., daily, weekly) to prevent spillage.
- Place trash, recycling, and Zero Waste receptacles in appropriate locations. **DO NOT** store receptacles over storm drain inlets.
- Label recycling, trash, and Zero Waste receptacles to ensure appropriate materials are placed in appropriate containers.
- Contain food and animal wastes in tied plastic bags or closable containers.
- Clean receptacles as needed and keep areas around receptacles clean and orderly.
- Use absorbent materials to clean up any spilled liquid garbage waste (e.g., grease or cooking oil) and dispose of used absorbent in the trash.
- Use “dry” cleaning methods (e.g., sweep or vacuum) whenever feasible.
- If water is used to clean, **DO NOT** allow wash water to enter storm drains:
 - Collect and dispose of wash water through EH&S if it contains grease, oil, solids, or floatable debris. Store wash water in a container labeled “Wash Water” for pick up by EH&S. Use the online Hazardous Waste Label Form to create the waste label for the container: www.csudh.edu/ehs/forms/
 - Wash water may be disposed into the sanitary sewer system (indoor drain) if it does not contain these wastes.

- **DO NOT** dispose of any hazardous waste in a trash receptacle! If hazardous waste is observed in a trash receptacle, notify EH&S immediately: **(310) 243-3000**

Frequency and Maintenance

- Inspect trash receptacles and storage areas regularly to confirm they are not leaking, overfilled, or spilling. Increase pick-up schedule if needed. Keep storage areas clean and lids closed.
- Repair or replace leaking or damaged receptacles as needed.

Training

Maintenance, shops, trades, and theater staff that perform outdoor work activities that could contribute pollutants to the campus storm water system must take the **Annual HAZCOM Training** which includes spill prevention, control, and cleanup; SDS's; and hazardous materials and waste management.

Additional Information

- Refer to Good Housekeeping procedures.
- Refer to Spill Prevention, Control, and Cleanup procedures.
- Refer to Metal Tracking procedures.
- Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) can assist with hazardous waste management questions: **(310) 243-3000** or ehs@csudh.edu