

ILLICIT DISCHARGE

Only rain down the drain!

SOURCES:



- Oil, grease, and automotive fluids
- Soap from car washing



- Fertilizers and pesticides
- Bacteria from pet waste and improperly maintained septic systems



• Soil from poor construction site management





Report a spill or illegal dumping:

If you see a spill or notice someone disposing a hazardous substance into a street or storm drain, immediately contact Nampa's Environmental Compliance Division.

> (208) 565-5263 ECD@cityofnampa.us

You can also file an illegal dumping report online at Nampa's stormwater website www.cityofnampa.us/574/Environmental-Compliance

WHAT IS ILLICIT DISCHARGE?

Illicit discharge is any substances that flow into storm drains that are not entirely composed of stormwater. Exceptions include water used on your lawn and firefighting activities.

WHY IS ILLICIT DISCHARGE A PROBLEM?

Storm drains lead directly to local water bodies and leach into groundwater. Pollutants that enter the storm drains wind up in the water we drink and enjoy for recreation. Even though water is **naturally** filtrated through earth, not all toxins are filtered out. When contaminated well-water (groundwater) is pumped back up for public use it can cause illness for vulnerable populations.

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?

- Never dump, wash, or sweep anything into the storm drains
- Wash your vehicle at a car wash or on the grass -not in the driveway
- If you change you own motor oil, recycle the used oil
- Dispose of hazardous household chemicals properly
- Water your lawn wisely and reduce the amount of fertilizer and pesticides used