

City of Escondido Storm Water Special Event Controls

Event organizers must ensure that their event – whether on public or private property – complies with all storm water regulations, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Storm Drains – Only Rain in the Storm Drain

- a. Do not pour liquids – including water – into the drain.
- b. Do not sweep anything – including dirt – into the drain.
- c. Do not allow trash to get near or enter the drain.
- d. Set up booths and activities away from drains as much as possible
- e. Install temporary covers, such as tight mesh fabric, over drains in event area as needed to keep out trash

2. Trash & Debris Containment

- a. Provide adequate trash and recycling containers throughout the venue and at entrances/exits
- b. Maintain containers and the area around them during the entire event, including set up and tear down times
- c. Do not allow containers to overflow; keep covered as much as possible
- d. Collect trash and debris for proper disposal during and after the event

3. Portable Toilets

- a. Confirm vendor follows requirement for secondary containment, for example set in a tray or on landscaping
- b. Locate away from curbs and gutters
- c. Remove by next business day following conclusion of event

4. Spill Kits

- a. Vendors must have spill kits available as appropriate for their activity (food, beverage, chemical, other liquids)
- b. Typical equipment: paper/cloth towels, kitty litter and/or sand; broom and dustpan
- c. All spills & spill cleanup materials must be disposed of properly

5. In the Event of Rain (or 50% or higher chance of rain)

- a. Remove any drain screens that may have been installed

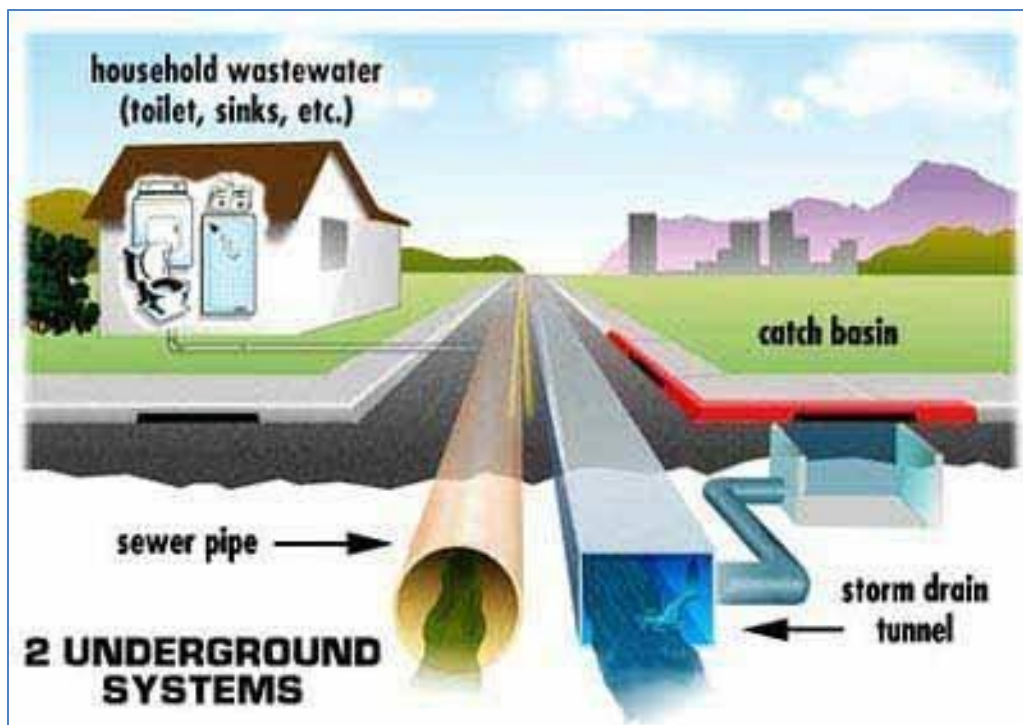
For questions, contact Environmental Programs at 760-839-4662

To comply with regional storm water permit & Escondido Municipal Code Chap. 22 Art. 2

Storm Water Basics

A **watershed** is an area of land that drains to a common point. For example, in the Escondido Creek Watershed, a drop of water that falls near Lake Wohlford can trickle down the hills into Escondido Creek and eventually to the ocean via the San Elijo Lagoon in Encinitas.

Storm drains are pipe and channel systems that prevent flooding of our streets by channeling storm water directly to our creeks and lakes. Anything that flows into the storm drains ends up in our water ways untreated.



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