



TIPS FOR GREEN BUSINESSES

AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR SHOPS

In order to manage stormwater runoff, Frederick County implemented the **Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program** in 2015. Stormwater runoff is a result of a rain or snow event flowing over impervious surfaces like streets, sidewalks, and parking lots. This **stormwater runoff** conveys pollutants associated with vehicle maintenance, pet waste, lawn care, and litter into the storm drain system leading directly to our local waterways. When materials like used oil, trash juice from dumpsters, chemicals, or other hazardous materials are discharged, intentionally or unintentionally, into the storm water sewer system, this is considered an **illicit discharge**. Frederick County is charged with the responsibility to discover, document, and eliminate these sources of stormwater pollution.

HELP FREDERICK COUNTY PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION!

The Do's and Do Not's of Pollution Prevention



Keep garbage can and dumpster lids closed, and the area free of debris. Ensure that the dumpster is in proper working condition (i.e no leaks, or seal damage).



Liquid storage containers should be labeled and placed on spill pallets to catch any leaks or spills. Storage containers should also be stored inside or under cover to prevent exposure to stormwater



Immediately clean up any oil, chemical, or non-stormwater spill using dry methods like kitty litter. Properly dispose of the cleanup material after absorbance.



Ensure vehicles are washed in a wash bay that receives proper sanitary systems treatment.

