## STORE MATERIAL SAFELY

Keep landscaping materials and debris away from the street, gutter and storm drains. On-site stockpiles of materials must be covered with plastic sheeting to protect from rain, wind and runoff. .

Following these best management practices will prevent pollution, comply with regulations and protect public health.

To report illegal dumping or for more information on stormwater pollution prevention, call: 1 (818) 597-7300

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# STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FOR COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPES

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## POLLUTION PREVENTION

Yard waste, sediments and toxic lawn/
garden chemicals used in commercial
landscape maintenance often make their
way into the storm drain system and do
not get treated. This pollutes our water and
contaminates local waterways, making
them unsafe for people and wildlife. Following these best management practices
will prevent pollution, comply with regulations and protect public health.



#### RECYCLE YARD WASTE

Recycle leaves, grass clippings and other yard waste. Do not blow, sweep, rake or hose yard waste into the



Recycle it's good for the environment

street. Try grasscycling—the natural recycling of grass by leaving clippings on the lawn when mowing. Grass clippings will quickly decompose, returning valuable nutrients to the

soil. Further information can be obtained at www,ciwmb.ca. gov/Organics

#### Use Fertilizers, Herbicides and Pesticides Safely:

Fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides are often carried into the storm drain system by sprinkler runoff. Use of natural, non-toxic alternatives to the traditional fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides is highly recommended. If you must use chemical fertilizers, herbicides, or pesticides: Spot apply pesticides and herbicides, rather than blanketing the entire areas. Avoid applying near curbs and driveways, and never apply before a rain. Apply fertilizers as needed, when plants can best use it, and when the potential for it being carried away by runoff is low.

#### RECYCLE HAZARDOUS WASTE

Pesticides, fertilizers, herbicides and motor oil contaminate should be not be taken to landfills. They should be taken to Hazardous Waste Facilities which accepts these types of materials. For information on proper disposal cal (818) 597-7300

#### **Use Water Wisely**

Use only what you

need

Conserve water and prevent runoff by controlling the amount of water and direction of sprinklers. Sprinklers should be on long enough to allow water to soak into the ground but not so long as to cause runoff. Periodically inspect, fix leaks and realign sprinkler heads. Plant native

vegetation to reduce the need of water, fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides.

#### **Prevent Erosion:**

Erosion washes sediments, debris and toxic runoff into the storm drain system, polluting

waterways,. Prevent erosion and sediment runoff by using ground cover, berms and vegetation down slope to capture runoff, gravel beds are also an option. Avoid excavation or grading during wet weather.

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