

Environmental Insight



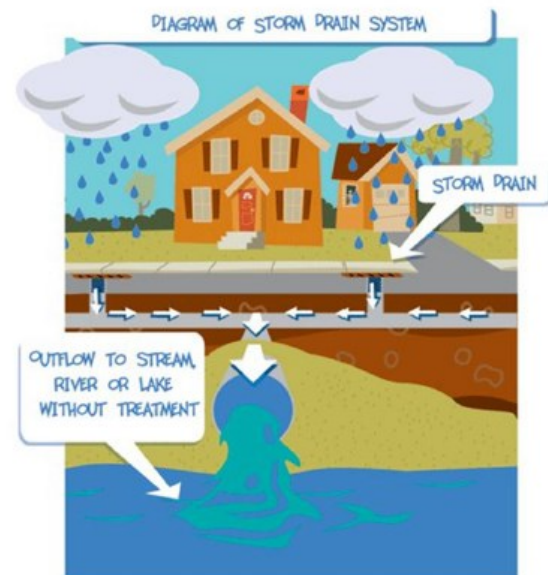
Stormwater & You

Stormwater is a leading cause of poor water quality.

Rainwater runs down driveways, parking lots, sidewalks, and streets carrying oil, dirt, and other pollutants into nearby waterways. Polluted runoff can degrade plants, fish, shellfish, and other wildlife and also impair the waterbody for recreational uses.

You have a role to play in reducing the amount of pollution from stormwater that runs into streams and lakes. The way you manage your property, your vehicle, your pet's waste, and your garbage will affect pollution from stormwater runoff. **So what can you do?**

- * Yard waste, such as leaves and grass clippings, should not wash into storm drains because it disrupts the natural balance of local water bodies and streams. Compost or mulch yard waste so it doesn't go into storm drains or streams. Cover piles of dirt or mulch.
- * Use commercial car washes because they treat or recycle the wash water.
- * Don't dump vehicle fluids on the street or in a storm drain.
- * Clean up after your dog. Leaving pet waste on the ground increases public health risk because pet waste bacteria drains into nearby waterways.
- * Recycle or properly dispose of your waste carefully. Refer to your installations Integrated Solid Waste Manager or Hazardous Waste Manager for questions.



Migratory Bird Treaty Act

Migratory birds are protected by federal law. In addition, the west coast is experiencing an outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza. Please avoid interactions with birds, particularly feeding of birds or any other wildlife on base. If a serious health or safety concern arises, please contact the Contract Official Representative at office #: (425) 304-4510 or cell #: (360) 564-9556.

Environmental Policy and Plans as well as previous Newsletters are located at:

<https://cnrnw.cnic.navy.mil/Installations/NS-Everett/Operations-and Management/Environmental-Support-and-Compliance/>

NSE Environmental Staff
Environmental Office: (425) 304-3470

Program	Phone
Spills	(425) 304-3465
Natural Resources	(425) 304-3464
Stormwater, Wastewater, & UST/AST	(425) 304-3277
Air & Drinking Water	(425) 304-3466
Recycling	(425) 304-3071
Hazardous Waste	(425) 304-5987

Recycling



Recycling is one of the easiest things you can do to help our installation, our environment and our planet.



Many of our office and work spaces have recycle bins available. Put them to use! Just focus on the most basic recyclable items. These include:

- PET #1 - Plastic Beverage Bottles Only
- Aluminum and Tin – Beverage Cans and Food Cans
- HDPE #2 – Plastic Milk Jug and Laundry Detergent types of containers
- Paper – ALL KINDS (copy paper, scrap, newspapers, magazines, colored paper, junk mail, envelopes, and bagged shredded paper, too)
- Cardboard – All Cardboard; but remember to break it down
- Glass – All Beverage Bottles
- Metal – Just about anything metal

For more information, please call Naval Station Everett Recycle at 304-3071.

MS4 Education Materials

A large part of our MS4 Stormwater Permit is public outreach and education. You will notice some outdoor stormwater signage and indoor postings around the base which is meant to educate and remind base personnel of the Navy’s commitment to stormwater compliance. The intent is to provide positive reinforcement as well as provide our contact information for reporting spills. Our program has both the pictured magnets available for posting on refrigerators in your command. If a command representative would like to come by and pick some up, please let us know so we can arrange a time to meet you. Please help us keep these magnets attached to refrigerators and postings post-

ed. EWCCs are our conduit to the tenant commands on base, and your support of our environmental programs goes a long way in ensuring your command’s understanding and compliance. If you need additional magnets or replacements, please let us know.

