



# Water Quality Inspection and Enforcement

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OF ENERGY &  
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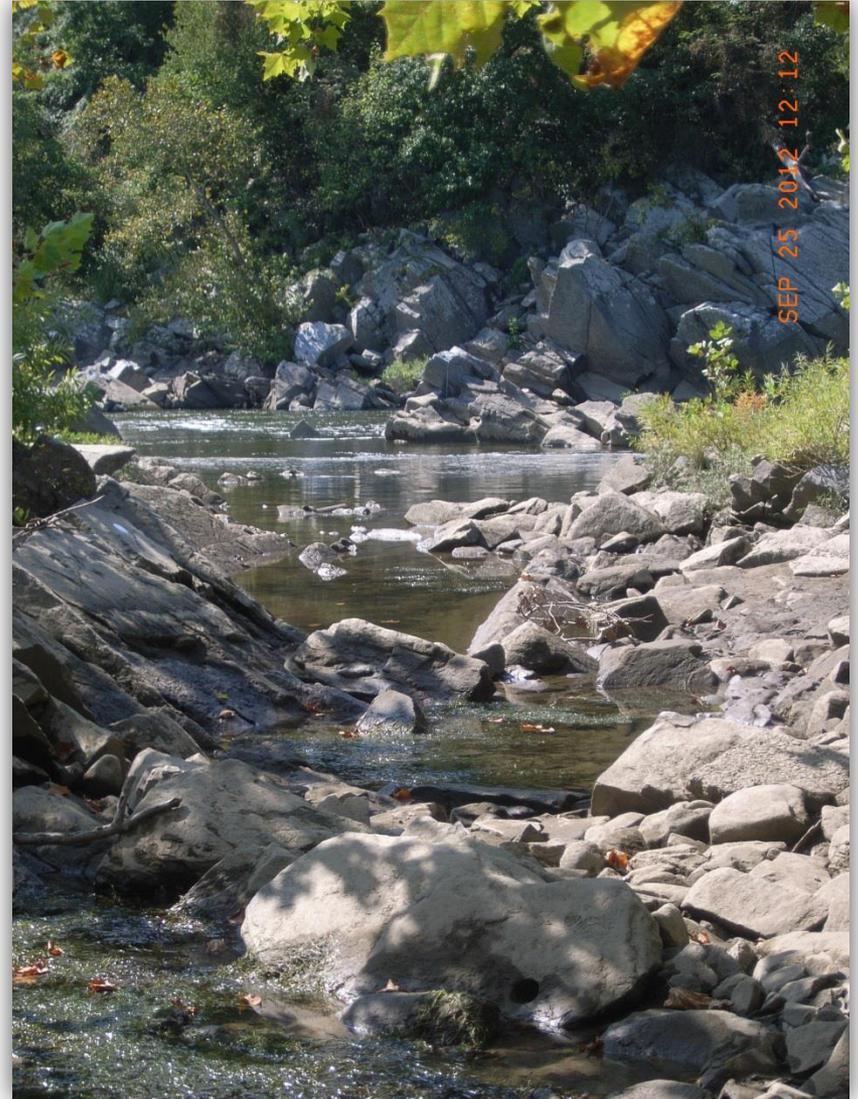


## Auto Sector Pollution Prevention:

*A Small Spill is  
a Big Deal*

# WHAT WE DO...

- Protect The District's Waters Resources and storm sewer systems
- Ensure compliance of commercial, industrial, municipal, and federal facilities with the District's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit through inspection
- Investigate and resolve reports of illicit discharges of pollutants to District Waters



# WHY WE DO IT...



# AUTO SECTOR INSPECTIONS:

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- 1. Site access and entry**
- 2. Facility walkthrough**
  - Observation of housekeeping practices
- 3. Interview with facility manager or other designated employee**
  - Description of routine business practices and waste disposal
- 4. Records review**
  - Verification of proper waste disposal practices
- 5. Consultation**
  - Discussion on areas for improvement and need for reinspection

# BE PREPARED:

- Keep organized records, especially waste disposal manifests and receipts.
- Accidents happen. Have a spill response kit stocked and on site at all times and develop a spill response plan.
- Limit your liability by properly labeling and storing used automotive fluids.
- Never allow any automotive fluids, cleaners, degreasers, paints, solvents, or other waste materials to enter a drain, or the public space.



# COMMON SPILL KIT ITEMS

- Overpack drum or other large lidded container
- Loose oil absorbing material
- Absorbent Pads or Mats
- Absorbent booms



# KNOW YOUR DRAINAGE

*What type of drains do you have?*

*Where are your drains located?*

*Where do your drains go?*

*Do you have any best management practices (BMPs)?*



# PREVENTING POLLUTION AT THE SOURCE



*Clean all fluid spills, leaks, and drips immediately using absorbent materials.*

*Use dry methods to clean your facility (broom, vacuum, and absorbent). Never hose down your garage, or outdoor lot.*



# HOUSEKEEPING

- Store all automotive fluids in easily accessible, closed and labeled containers.
- Ensure all automotive parts (i.e. engine blocks, and transmissions) are stored under cover, and raised off of the ground.
- Have a spill prevention plan for your facility.
- Protect your drains from spills leaks and drips.
- Always dispose of waste materials properly.



# Protecting Water Quality



*Never allow any automotive fluids, cleaners, degreasers, paints, solvents, or other waste materials to enter a drain, or wash into the public space.*

## **Water Quality:** *Regulations and Fine Amounts*

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**Discharging pollutants to the waters of the District without a permit**

○ Class 1 Violation \$2,000.00

**Discharging oil, gasoline, anti-freeze, acid, or other hazardous substance, pollutant or nuisance material on a public space**

○ Class 1 Violation \$2,000.00

**Discharging used motor oil into a sewer**

○ Class 2 Violation \$1,000.00

**Discharging corrosive, flammable or explosive material into a sewer**

○ Class 2 Violation \$1,000.00



*Poor Housekeeping  
and Common Problems...*



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*Fluid discharge to  
stormwater drainage  
system*







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