Illicit Discharges

Florida State University ("The University") shall manage its stormwater illicit discharge detection and elimination in compliance through the regulation of non-storm water discharges to the storm drainage system to the maximum extent practicable as required by federal and state law. This policy establishes methods for controlling the introduction of pollutants into the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) in order to comply with requirements of the NPDES Stormwater Phase II MS4 permit administered by Facilities, which requires Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination at the University.

A. Prohibition of Illicit Discharges

No University employee, student, visitor or contractor shall throw, drain, or otherwise discharge, cause, or allow others under its control to throw, drain, or otherwise discharge into the University's Storm Water drainage system any Pollutants or waters containing any Pollutants, other than Storm Water. This includes the construction, use, maintenance or continued existence of unlawful or Illicit Connections made to the storm drain system.

B. Prohibition of Illicit Connections

The construction, use, maintenance, or continued existence of Illicit Connections to the storm drain system are prohibited. This prohibition includes, without limitation, Illicit Connections made in the past, regardless of whether the connection was permissible under law or practices in effect at time of construction. A person is considered to be in violation of this policy if they connect a line conveying sewage to the MS4 or allows such a connection to continue.

C. Notification of Spills

To report improper discharges or if you observe individuals discarding waste into a storm drain system, water basin, pond, retention basin or stream on campus, please contact FSU Facilities at (850) 644-2424. If there is a greater hazard or risk of injury, please contact the Florida State University Police Department (FSUPD) immediately at (850) 644-1234.

Any person responsible for a spill or a facility or operation, or responsible for emergency response that has information of any known or suspected release of materials which are resulting or may result in Illegal Discharges or Pollutants discharging into Storm Water, the storm drain system, or waters of the state shall immediately take all necessary steps to ensure the discovery, containment, mitigation, and proper reporting of such release.