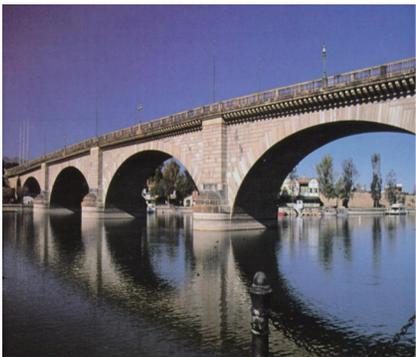


What you do in your yard or property affects more than just your neighbors and the waters of Lake Havasu City.

Protect the quality of our waters and public health by reporting pollution when you see it happening along roadsides, rest areas, parks and neighborhoods. Please notify City officials with any information on illicit discharges and connections that produce pollution.



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Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination



Illicit Discharges effect the water quality of Lake Havasu and water quality for all the communities downstream from Lake Havasu City. It is important that we eliminate these discharges to the maximum extent possible to keep our waters clean and blue for everyone.

According to ADEQ

Illicit Discharge

is defined as:

“any discharge to a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) that is not composed entirely of storm water.”



What are Illicit Discharges ?

Some of the pollutants that fall under this broad category when discharged without a permit are:

- Car Wash Wastewater
- Gas & Motor Oil
- Kitchen Grease/Oils
- Household Cleaners
- Paints
- Pesticides

Allowable Non-Storm Water Discharges:

Under the AZPDES Small MS4 General Permit there are some discharges that are allowed because they are not considered to be significant contributors of pollutants to or from the MS4.

These discharges are as follows:

- Water Line Flushing
- Landscaping Irrigation
- Diverted Stream Flows
- Rising Ground Water
- Uncontaminated Ground Water Infiltration
- Discharges From Potable Water Sources
- Foundation Drains
- Air Conditioning Condensation
- Springs
- Water From Crawl Spaces
- Footing Drains
- Individual Car Washing
- Discharge From Riparian Habitats
- Street Wash Water
- Discharges From Emergency Fire-Fighting Activities
- De-chlorinated pool water

An **Illicit Connection** is the discharge of pollutants or non-storm water materials into a storm sewer system via a pipe or other direct connection. Sources of illicit connections may include sanitary sewer taps, wash water from laundromats or carwashes, and other similar sources that are discharged to the environment.

