What causes stormwater pollution?
Routine activities have the potential to pollute stormwater if not conducted properly. These include:

- Vehicle/equipment fueling and fuel storage
- Improper vehicle/equipment washing
- Vehicle/equipment storage, and parking for those awaiting maintenance, and maintenance
- Spills or leaks from storage of parts, equipment, POL, scrap metals, scrap wood/wood chips/pallets, antifreeze and used antifreeze, used oil, solvents, tires, roll-offs, and recycling bins

Stormwater Pollutants:
- POLs
- Antifreeze
- Metals
- Cleaning products
- Trash
- Paint/stain/finishing products
- Solvent
- Sediment

Your site will be inspected:
Site inspections are a requirement of Fort Carson’s Stormwater Permits. Your site will be inspected at least quarterly by ECAT and/or Fort Carson Stormwater Program staff. Inspectors will conduct a walk through looking at areas where industrial materials or activities are or could be in contact with stormwater, outfalls, and downstream areas to assess the potential for stormwater pollution and compliance with the SWPPP.

Penalties for knowingly violating stormwater regulations (e.g. dumping oil down the drain) can include fines and/or imprisonment.

Minimize Exposure

**DO:**
- Store materials indoors or cover those stored outdoors when not in use
- Store materials and equipment in a place where spills or leaks would be easily contained
- Drain fluids from equipment/vehicles when they are expected to be unused for a period of time
- Wash equipment and vehicles on wash racks or designated wash areas
- Conduct work indoors when possible
- Use drip pans under parked vehicles/equipment

**DO NOT:**
- Do not power wash outside dirty surfaces to clean them

Maintenance

**DO:**
- Conduct maintenance indoors when possible
- Use drip pans, portable containments, or other effective means of containing leaks/spills if outdoor maintenance is necessary
- Use dry cleaning methods first

**DO NOT:**
- Do not power wash outside dirty surfaces to clean them

Spills and Leaks
Spills and leaks are a potential source of stormwater pollution. The Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures Plan (SPCCP) and the spill guidance poster provide guidance for spill pollution prevention.

A list of ways to prevent stormwater pollution can be found in the Fort Carson SWPPP. The SWPPP is available at the Stormwater Program Manager’s office, or online at: [http://www.carson.army.mil/DPW/environmental/stormwater/index2.html](http://www.carson.army.mil/DPW/environmental/stormwater/index2.html)

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