

Why Are Illicit Discharge and Elimination Efforts Necessary

Discharges from MS4s can often include wastes and wastewater from non-stormwater sources including illicit discharges, which can enter the stormwater system through various means. The result of these untreated discharges that contribute to high levels of pollutants including paints, heavy metals, toxics, oil and grease, solvents nutrients, viruses and bacteria to receiving water bodies. These contaminants affect the health of our local waterways and the health of the communities throughout the City of Perry.

Potential sources of Illicit Discharges:

- Sanitary wastewater or water from sinks,
 toilets and bathtubs
- Discharge from septic fields and tanks
- Commercial car wash wastewater (if not handled properly)
- . Improper oil disposal

- Radiator flushing disposal
- Laundry wastewater
- . Spills from roadway accidents
- Improper disposal of automobile and household toxics

If you have questions about potential illicit discharges call the Stormwater Management Division hotline: 478-988-2735