

MERCED MUNICIPAL CODE

15.50250 - Discharge of non-storm water prohibited


A. Except as provided in Section 15.50260, it is unlawful for a person to discharge any liquid or solid waste, including but not limited to, oil, paint, antifreeze, or any other hazardous material, into any storm drain or water body.

B. Notwithstanding the exceptions provided by Section 15.50260, if the official water quality control board or the enforcement official determines that any person who discharges causes or contributes to pollution of a storm drain or water body, or causes a significant quantity of pollution to be discharged into a storm drain or water body, or causes a storm drain to be clogged or damaged, such discharge shall be prohibited from entering the city's water collection system.

15.50255 - General penalties

A. Whenever a violation of this code occurs, any person convicted of a misdemeanor under the provisions of this code shall be punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment in the County Jail of Merced County for a period not exceeding six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

**REPORT
ILLEGAL DUMPING
(209) 385-6905**

City of 
Merced
Gateway to Yosemite



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**FOOD TRUCKS
AND
STORM WATER**



The City of Merced is protecting water pollution prevention through public outreach and the Storm Water Ordinance. The Merced Municipal Code 15.50200 - Purposes and intent states:

A. The purpose of this chapter is to protect and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of City of Merced by controlling non-storm water discharges to the storm water conveyance system from spills, dumping, or deposit of materials other than storm water, and by reducing pollution in urban storm water discharges to the maximum extent practicable.

B. This chapter is intended to act in the protection and enhancement of the water quality of streams, water bodies, and wetlands in a manner consistent and in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Sections 1251 et seq.) and any subsequent amendments thereto by reducing pollution in storm water discharges to the maximum extent practicable and by prohibiting non-storm water discharges into the storm drain system.



Anything that falls on land on or adjacent to any such stream, wetland, drainage, or water body is the City's responsibility to prevent storm water pollution. Everything that falls into a storm drain goes directly to the creek and then, untreated. This means what the car ate off and down for your recreation become waste for human enjoyment.

Mobile Food Trucks play a major role in reducing storm water pollution, because of the mobile nature of the business. The following are operators responsibilities of food trucks to aid in the protection of the environment, as well as the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of Merced.

DO'S

Visit commissary DAILY for disposing of fats, oils and grease - keep bins



Clean spills using dry methods, like absorbents



Clean kitchen equipment indoors or at wash facility with an oil separator or grease interceptor



Clean mobile food truck at an approved wash facility



DON'TS

Do not dispose of waste fats, oils and grease in storm drains or drainage ditches



Do not use water to clean up spills



Do not clean kitchen equipment outdoors where wastewater could impact the storm drain



Do not clean mobile food truck at place of residence

