

## SOURCE CONTROL BMPs

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### BUILDING AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants to stormwater from building and grounds maintenance by washing and cleaning up with as little water as possible, taking steps to eliminate spills and cleaning up spills immediately, keeping debris from entering storm drains, and maintaining the stormwater collection system.

**TARGETED ACTIVITIES:**

Building and Ground Maintenance

**APPROACH:**

- \* Leaving or planting native vegetation to reduce irrigation, fertilizer, and pesticide needs.
- \* Careful use of pesticides and fertilizers in landscaping.
- \* Integrated pest management where appropriate.
- \* Sweeping of paved surfaces.
- \* Cleaning of the stormwater drainage system at appropriate intervals.
- \* Proper disposal of wash water, sweepings, and sediments.

**REQUIREMENTS**

- \* Capital and O&M Costs:
  - Costs will vary depending on the type and size of the facility.
  - Overall costs should be low in comparison to other BMPs.
- \* Maintenance:
  - These BMPs relate to maintenance and therefore require no maintenance themselves.

**LIMITATIONS:**

- \* Alternative pest/weed controls may not be available, suitable, or effective in every case.
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