

Do Your Part to Help Protect Our Waters

Report Spills or Illicit Discharges

Call the Mayor's Action Center
Mon-Fri 9AM - 5 PM
317-786-5489

6901 Derbyshire Road
Southport, Indiana 46227

** If spill is hazardous - Also call 911**

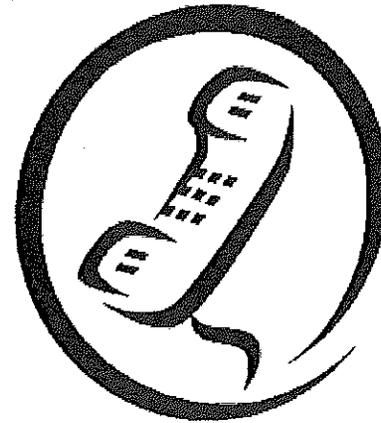
Remember, if you see it

The City of Southport's residents can be invaluable participants in the effort to protect our waters.

It is very important that a spill, leak, or other discharge is reported immediately so the contaminants can be contained to avoid polluting our waterways.

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Report it!

Additional Resources:

City of Southport
Public Works
317-786-3585



Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program

Working to Protect
Our Waterways



Keeping pollutants out of the storm system is not just a good idea.

IT'S THE LAW!

It's All Connected

Stormwater runoff from streets and parking lots can contain common pollutants - such as pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, oils, heavy metals, sediment, bacteria from animal wastes, and other debris. These pollutants damage water quality and can result in fish kills, destruction of wildlife habitat, and contamination of our recreational waterways.

Pollutants dumped onto our streets or in our storm drains do not go to a sewage treatment plant to be cleaned. Instead, these pollutants are discharged directly into the storm system which flows into our natural waterways.

The purpose of reporting an illicit discharge is to help the city staff identify and eliminate the discharges in order to maintain and improve the quality of water flowing into our rivers, lakes, and streams



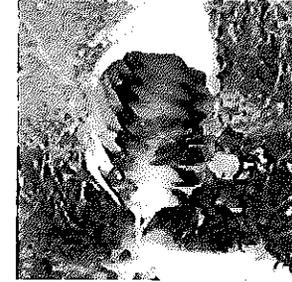
Protecting Our Surface Waters

The City's Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Program is designed to both help protect and improve the health of our natural waterways, such as Little Buck Creek, by actively investigating and removing illicit discharges and connections to the City's storm system.

The City's IDDE program was created in early 2006, following the adoption of the City's water quality ordinance (No. 5.08). The program includes elements such as the Mayor's Action Center, water quality investigation, and illicit discharge removal, mapping of the stormwater system (including outfalls and receiving waters), and stormwater education and outreach.

THE DRAIN IS JUST FOR RAIN

What is an Illicit Discharge?



An Illicit Discharge is any non-stormwater discharge to our storm system (including natural waterways) which damages water quality.

Indicators of an Illicit Discharge:

Odors: sewage, rancid/sour, sulfide, petroleum, and slight chemical smells

Colors: Clear, brown, gray, yellow, green, orange, red

Turbidity: a slight to opaque cloudiness of waters

Floatables: trash, sewage, soap suds, grease and oil sheens.

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Remember to also report the location of the spill and how much.