DATE: June 30, 2011

TO: Terry Fashing

FROM: Eric Lueder, Interim Program Manager

RE: Marin County Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) Business Inspections

In order to assist the Marin County Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program's (MCSTOOPP) effort to mitigate impacts to storm water from commercial and industrial activities, the Marin County Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) referred all potential storm drain and/or runoff concerns witnessed during our regular inspection from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

Additionally, during their inspections inspectors also check for proximity of storm drains to garage bay doors and recommend that contingency plans be in place in case of spills.
Terri Fashing  
Dept. of Public Works  
MCSTOPPP  
3501 Civic Center Dr.  
San Rafael, CA 94901  

Dear Ms. Fashing;  

Within our service areas, the Central Marin Sanitary Agency (CMSA) implements a Pretreatment Program to reduce the pollutants discharged into sanitary sewers by industries, and a Pollution Prevention Program to go beyond the Pretreatment Program in reducing discharge of problem pollutants to the sanitary sewer. These programs are implemented through various CMSA permit programs which include inspections of permitted businesses and industries. Basic and in-depth stormwater inspections are incorporated into these routine business inspections and stormwater issues are reported to local stormwater coordinators, who perform necessary outreach and enforcement. Under an agreement with the City of San Rafael, CMSA staff may issue City citations for violation of the City’s Stormwater Ordinance. The agreement specifies that CMSA responsibility/authority is limited to events related to facilities that CMSA is regulating with sanitary wastewater permits.  

Fiscal year 7/1/10 through 6/30/11 stormwater inspection results are as follows:  

Central Marin Sanitary Agency staff conducted basic stormwater inspections at auto repair shops or related facilities, such as commercial car wash and rental car businesses. The number of businesses inspected, citations issued, and referrals to stormwater coordinators are listed below by city/town:  

San Rafael:  14  inspections,  2  citations  
Corte Madera:  20  inspections,  0  referrals  
Fairfax:  7  inspections,  0  referrals  
Greenbrae (unincorporated Marin County):  13  inspections,  0  referrals  
Larkspur:  4  inspections,  1  referrals  
San Anselmo:  8  inspections,  0  referrals  

Businesses under our Industrial/Commercial permits received in-depth stormwater inspections as follows:  

San Rafael:  18  inspections,  0  citations  
Corte Madera:  6  inspections,  0  referrals  
Larkspur:  1  inspection,  0  referrals  
San Anselmo:  1  inspection,  0  referrals
Fourteen dry cleaning businesses received basic stormwater inspections as follows:

San Rafael: _6_ inspections, _0_ citations
Corte Madera: _2_ inspections, _0_ referrals
Fairfax: _2_ inspections, _0_ referrals
Larkspur: _1_ inspections, _0_ referrals
San Anselmo: _3_ inspections, _0_ referrals

The CMSA Fats, Oil and Grease (FOG) Program includes inspections of grease recycle bins at food facilities restaurants. The objective of this program is to reduce clogging of sanitary sewers and overflows to storm drains. In FY 10-11, CMSA conducted _252_ inspections in San Rafael, and _160_ inspections in the Ross Valley Sanitary District service area (Fairfax, Greenbrae, Kentfield, Larkspur, Ross, and San Anselmo), 37 inspections in the Town of Corte Madera, and _8_ inspection for Tamalpais Community Services District (Mill Valley).

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Robert Cole
Environmental Services Manager
Central Marin Sanitary Agency
June 10, 2011

Ms. Terri Fashing  
Department of Public Works  
MCSTOPPP  
3501 Civic Center Drive  
San Rafael, CA 94901  

Dear Ms. Fashing,

For fiscal year 7/1/10 through 6/30/10, Environmental Health Services staff conducted a total of 3398 routine site inspections countywide at food facilities, commercial swimming pools, and, in housing inspections. Inspectors routinely look for potential and actual non-stormwater discharges to storm drains and a checklist item (#22) is used to track non-stormwater discharges in our “Official Inspection Report”. Of the 3398 inspections, 8 case(s) was/were reported to the Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program or a Local Stormwater Program.

It is, by the way, standard operating procedure to contact local stormwater coordinators when we encounter and illegal stormwater discharge in the field.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

David Small, Supervising R.E.H.S  
Marin County Environmental Health Services  
415-499-6916
Total Housing Inspections

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