



## Water Quality Hotlines for Citizens



Citizens can help report violations or problems they notice in their local streams before they cause more damage and pollution. Residents sometimes may be the first to recognize “illicit” discharges dumping into storm sewers or coming out from storm sewer outfalls.

New stormwater regulations from Pennsylvania’s DEP require that your municipality investigate more thoroughly potential illicit discharges (pollutants) into our streams. You can help by promptly reporting the following events to the authorities listed in the hotline box below. Here are some of the conditions that you should report:

- Sediment leaving a construction site in stormwater (Montgomery County Conservation District)
- Observed pollution event or pollutants in stream (DEP)
- Septic system malfunctions (Upper Salford Township)
- Spills (DEP spills hotline)
- Illegal dumping activity into water courses (Upper Salford Township, DEP)
- Dry weather flows from outfall pipes into streams (72 hours after a rainstorm, Upper Salford Twp)
- Fish Kills (Fish Commission, DEP)
- Photos and exact locations are very helpful!

Helpful Phone Numbers		
DEP Spills and other Emergencies Hotline	1-800-541-2050	24 hour
Off site discharge of sediment, erosion, & other improper controls during construction	Montgomery County Conservation District 610-3489-4506	Email photo and send full address and directions
Suspected sewage system malfunctions	Upper Salford Township 610-287-6160	Weekdays during normal working hours
Fish Kills, Illegal Fishing PA Fish Commission	717-626-0228	
Dry weather outfall flows (discharges to stream from outfall pipes after 72 hours of no rain)	Upper Salford Township 610-287-6160	Weekdays during normal working hours
Clogged or leaking sanitary sewers lines; sewage smell in creeks	215-855-3617 215-855-9945	Operating Hours After Hours

