

## **Mesa County Valley School District #51**

### **Environmental Health & Safety Information**

Mesa County Valley School District 51 has an Environmental Health & Safety Specialist (Charles "Petie" Pope, 254-7525) on staff to assist you in handling Environment Health & Safety concerns. Areas of concern may include hazardous materials, indoor air quality, stormwater management and occupational exposures to various items in the workplace.

#### **Custodial:**

Aerosol spray cans  
Batteries  
Bleach  
Disinfectant concentrates  
Fluorescent light tubes  
Floor sealer concentrates  
Floor stripper concentrates

#### **Food Service:**

Aerosol spray cans  
Bleach  
Detergent concentrates  
Disinfectant concentrates  
Oven cleaners

#### **Grounds and Maintenance:**

Aerosol spray cans, household batteries  
Asbestos brake pads  
Batteries (lead /acid)  
Freon containers  
Lubricants  
Plumber's primers and adhesives  
Pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, smoke bombs  
Solvents  
Radiator fluid  
Used oil

#### **Office Staff:**

Adhesives (industrial strength glue)  
Aerosol spray cans  
Batteries  
Copy machines toner cartridges  
Household products (bleach, detergents, disinfectants)

#### **Teachers:**

Science chemicals  
Art supplies  
Adhesives (industrial strength glue)  
Aerosol spray cans  
Batteries  
Household products (bleach, detergents, disinfectants)  
Paints, lacquers, thinners and solvents

The District will provide staff training to insure purchases, donations, use, disposal and recycling of hazardous materials are in compliance with federal, state, local regulations and School Board Policy.

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## Stormwater Illicit Discharge Reporting Procedures

1) Staff handling hazardous materials (teachers, custodial, maintenance, grounds & transportation) must complete training to include information on how to deal with an illicit stormwater discharge and good housekeeping practices.

2) Under state and federal regulations certain discharges are allowed into storm drains, these include:

- Landscape irrigation
- Lawn watering
- Diverted stream flows
- Irrigation return flow
- Rising ground waters
- Uncontaminated ground water infiltration {as defined in 40CFR 35.2005(20)}
- Uncontaminated pumped ground water
- Springs
- Flows from riparian habitats and wetlands
- Water line flushing
- Discharges from potable sources
- Foundation drains
- Air conditioning condensation
- Water from crawl space pumps
- Footing drains
- Individual residential car washing
- De-chlorinated swimming pool discharges
- Street wash water

3) Under state and federal regulations actions that would constitute an illicit discharge into storm drains would include items such as:

- Oil, oil filter, anti-freeze & solvent
- Paint & lacquer thinner
- Fuel and oil spill
- Custodial rinseate disposal (water from carpet cleaners, mop buckets, etc.)
- Fertilizer

3A) Grounds staff making fertilizer applications must:

1. Minimize the amount of fertilizer by application using only the recommended amount or less
2. Immediately clean up any spills

4) Employees will take reasonable steps to mitigate any illicit discharges discovered and **immediately report** it to the Environmental Health and Safety Specialist at **254-7525**.