

As Monsoon 2019 begins, now is the time to prepare facilities for the storms to come. Here are some tips for things to plan, do, and check.

PLAN:

- Clean out catch basins and culverts.
- Inspect drywells and remove debris as necessary.
- Know whether stormwater stays on-site or flows into adjacent drainage structures.
- Create and maintain an inventory and/or map of drainage structure locations.
- Set aside funding and dates to perform maintenance on drywells, parking lots, and driveways.



DO:

- Store Hazardous Materials and substances under cover and consider secondary containment devices to prevent a release onto/off the property.
- Collect trash regularly to ensure it does not leave the site. Keep trash bins closed.
- Clean hard surfaces. Always sweep hard surfaces first. If washing the surface is necessary, remove trash, leaves, and other debris first.
- Hire a street sweeper for parking lots.



CHECK:

- **Within** 36 hours after storms: verify all drainage structures have drained and there are no mosquito larvae. Ensure that stormwater leaving your property is free of pollutants.
- **Weekly:** Walk around facility to check that stormwater structures are free of debris.
- **Monthly:** Inspect dry washes and waterways for excessive erosion and overgrown vegetation.
- **Annually:** Hire a professional to inspect drywells and other drainage structures.



Remember Only Rain Down the Storm Drain!! Additional information is available at www.tempe.gov/stormwatertips

ADEQ Updates related to Stormwater

[The 2019 Multi-Sector General Permit \(MSGP\)](#) was issued on 5/15/2019. The effective date is 1/1/2020. Existing permittees (those who have coverage under the 2010 permit(s)) have between 1/1/2020 and 2/28/20 to submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) using myDEQ. New and unpermitted facilities that are subject to industrial stormwater permitting must apply under the 2010 MSGP for stormwater discharges until 1/1/2020.

The public comment period has closed for ADEQ's [Construction General Permit \(CGP\)](#). It's expected that the final permit will be issued soon.