

SEDIMENT



Be an Everyday Environmental Hero!

Be AWARE, take ACTION, report ACTIVITIES that adversely affect streams, drainage channels and the ocean.

BE AWARE:

When it rains, sediment can run off into storm drains, streams and the ocean. Sediment is the most prevalent type of water pollution; once in the water it can clog fish gills, cloud the water, fill in streambeds, and change the shape and flow rate of a stream.

TAKE ACTION:

- Schedule grading and excavation projects for dry weather. Cover excavated material and stockpiles of soil, sand or gravel to protect them from rain, wind and runoff.
- Keep construction debris away from sidewalks, streets, gutters and storm drains.
- Sweep or scoop up cement washout, concrete dust, or mud rather than hosing into driveways, streets, gutters or storms drains.
- Maintain all erosion (ex: preservation of existing vegetation) and sediment (ex: silt fence) control practices until all outside construction activities are completed and soil is stabilized with vegetation, mulch or gravel.
- Inspect sediment control practices after each storm event, making any needed repairs immediately. Remove sediment from behind silt fences and storm drain inlets as needed.

REPORT ACTIVITIES:

City's Environmental Concern Line at **768-3300** or visit www.cleanwaterhonolulu.com

Reference: Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, www.cleanwaterhonolulu.com, http://envhonolulu.org/solid_waste/, <http://epa.gov/nps/toolbox/>

