# When you washdown...

USC Best Management
Practices (BMPs) to keep
washdown water from making
its way into streams and rivers.

**Protect** your company. Discharging washdown water into storm drains, streams or rivers is illegal.

Take Pride that the ready mix industry is working to keep Georgia's waterways clean.



#### NOTE

On some sites, you may not have permission or access to a location suitable to dig a washdown pit. In those cases, you may have to washdown into a wheelbarrow or container and carry the container to a disposal site.



NEVER let washdown water enter a storm drain.



### If you need help...

Georgia Small Business
Environmental Assistance Program
Georgia Environmental Protection Division
toll-free 1-877-427-6255
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## A Guide for Ready Mix Chute/Hopper Washdown



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## Cleaning your equipment is important -- both for road safety AND for protection of equipment. Avoid environmental penalties by using BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES.

### A Typical Best Management Practice

## PICK THE RIGHT SPOT TO WASHDOWN Make sure:

- Washdown water stays in the pit.
- The pit is located away from a storm drain, stream or river.
- The pit is accessible to your vehicle.
- You have permission to use area for washdown.

Coordinate with site superintendent to excavate a pit deep enough to contain the washdown water.







Washdown only the chute, hopper and rear of the vehicle. Do NOT wash out the drum.





Make sure washdown water goes into and stays in the pit.





For additional examples of Best Management Practices, please contact the Small Business Environmental Assistance Program Toll-free 1-877-427-6255 404-362-4842

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Coordinate with site superintendent to fill in pit and smooth out ground.



