



1.b School Newsletter Article Options

MINIMUM OPTION:

Our school has a storm water management plan that is available for review at the front office. It is part of the federal government's effort to keep our streams and oceans clean and eliminate pollution discharge.

STANDARD OPTION:

When it rains, pollution such as litter, pesticides and household chemicals eventually end up in the ocean. This affects all of us because water is essential for life here in Hawai'i and we spend a lot of time playing in the ocean or eating seafood from the ocean. As a community, we can work together to make sure that our water resources are protected. We have provided some information about water pollution and things we can do to prevent water pollution.

DETAILED OPTION:

NPDES MS4 Report On Water Pollution Prevention Awareness

The provisions of the Clean Water Act; Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Chapter 342D; and the Hawaii Administrative Rules, Chapters 11-54 and 11-55, the Department of Health (DOH) has issued to the Department of Education (DOE) NPDES Permit No. HI S000003, which authorizes DOE facilities to discharge storm water runoff and certain non-storm water discharges into Small Municipal Separate storm Sewer Systems (Small MS4) which discharge to state waters.

There are two major parts for compliance, known simply as the Campus Drainage Report, and the Campus Annual Report for Water Pollution Awareness or the MS4 Annual Report.

The Campus Drainage Report was prepared for the Department of Education in 2005, for all 158 current school campuses within the City and County of Honolulu, by their Consultant, Belt Collins & Associates. The Campus Drainage Report includes the following:

1. The Clean Water Branch Notice of Intent, Form K (CWB NOI Form K)
2. Figures that included
 - Campus Discharge Points and Receiving Waters,
 - Site Layout and Topography, and
 - Drainage Basin and Storm Water System
3. Attachments that included:
 - ATTACHMENT A: Receiving State Water(s) Information,
 - ATTACHMENT B: Flow Charts,
 - ATTACHMENT C: Storm Water Management Plan
 - ATTACHMENT D: References and Sample Health and Safety Plan
 - ATTACHMENT E: Final Permit (HI S000003,) and Compliance Schedule
 - ATTACHMENT F: Contact Information and MSS4 Annual Report Forms and Checklists

The Campus Drainage Reports have been accepted by DOH in 2005 and remain in force unless campus improvements cause significant changes to the campus drainage system. A copy of the Campus Drainage Report for our school is available for review with the Administration.

NOTE TO THE SCHOOLS: If your campus cannot locate its copy of the Campus Drainage Report, the ESU may be able to assist with a Pdf copy upon request.

Retain a copy of the newsletter (with the inserted TEXT highlighted) to be included as a REFERENCE AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENT, as Item 1.b in the Annual Report.