

**Watchung Borough
Notice to Residents and Businesses regarding
Illicit Connections and Improper Disposal of Waste**

As part of the Borough of Watchung's NJ Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) permit obligations, this notice is provided to alert the public of prohibited discharges into the Borough's stormwater collection system including the following:

- **Illicit Connections**

Per NJDEP and Borough of Watchung regulations, an "Illicit connection" is any physical or non-physical connection that discharges the following to a municipal separate storm sewer system. **No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged through an illicit connection to Borough of Watchung's municipal separate storm sewer system** including any domestic sewage, non-contact cooling water, process wastewater, or other industrial waste (other than stormwater).

- **Improper Disposal of Waste**

Per NJDEP and Borough of Watchung regulations, the spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials **other than stormwater** to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by the Borough of Watchung **is prohibited**. The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater in such a manner as to cause the discharge of pollutants to the municipal separate storm sewer system is also prohibited **with the following exceptions:**

- Water line flushing and discharges from potable water sources.
- Uncontaminated groundwater (e.g., infiltration, crawl space or basement sump pumps, foundation or footing drains).
- Air conditioning condensate (excluding contact and non-contact cooling water).
- Irrigation water (including landscape and lawn watering runoff).
- Flows from springs, riparian habitats and wetlands, water reservoir discharges and diverted stream flows.
- Residential car washing water, and residential swimming pool discharges.
- Sidewalk, driveway and street wash water.
- Flows from firefighting activities.
- Flows from rinsing of the following equipment with clean water: Equipment used in the application of salt and de-icing materials immediately following salt and de-icing material applications.

**Please help the Borough of Watchung minimize stormwater pollution in its waterways.
Thank you!**