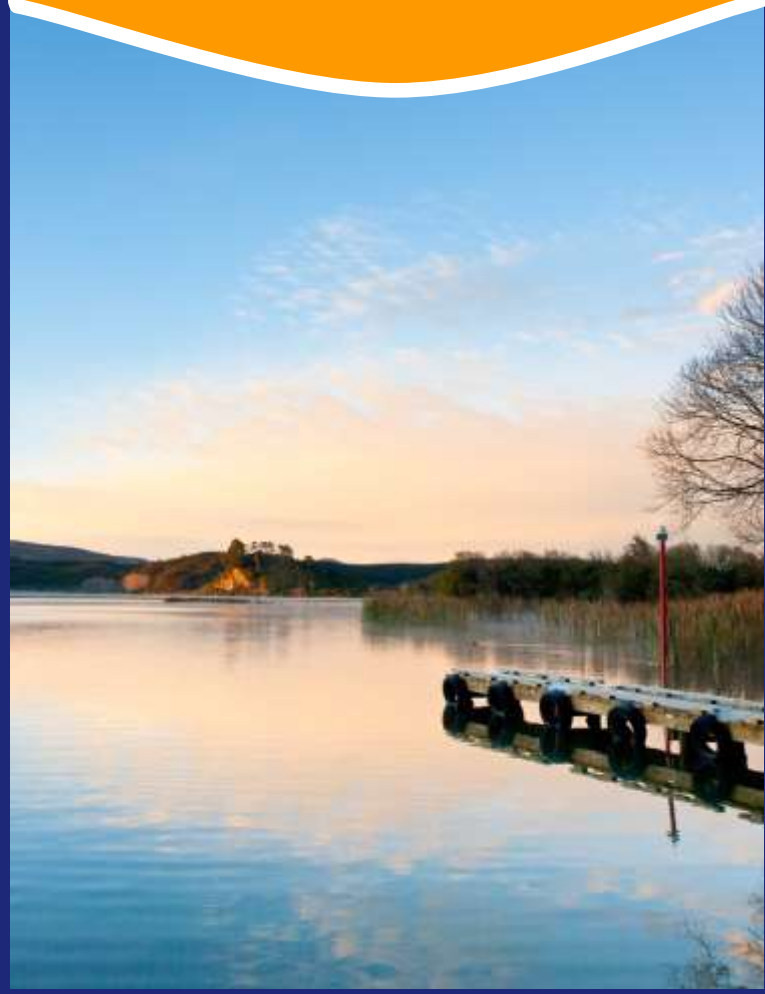


Protect our Lakes & Stormwater Drains from Concrete Waste



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Are you doing any concrete, cement, lime, or asphalt works?

People doing this work should be responsible for:

1. Ensuring pollution management is carried out.
2. Remembering that all our stormwater drains flow to the lakes and streams.

It is easy to ensure that your activities do not cause pollution of the District's stormwater drainage systems.

Simple golden rules

1. Never rinse or wash anything especially concrete products, where the waste-water can drain to a stormwater catch-pit or a stream.
2. Always clean up all surplus or spilt material or deposited wastes before rain can wash them away.
3. Dispose of all wastes in a bin or bury in such a manner that they can't leak out.
4. Always dry sweep work areas rather than rinsing away with a hose.
5. Always have a good Spill Response Plan with equipment handy and your staff well trained, and
6. Ensure all workers and/or sub-contractors are aware of these requirements.

You as the contractor are responsible for:

1. Diverting runoff to a pit, grassed, or unsealed area where it can soak into the ground.
2. Carefully blocking a catch pit and pumping the wastewater to an area where it can soak away.
3. Discharging filtered wastewater (i.e. via hay bales or filter cloth) to the sanitary sewer. Check with the Rotorua District Council for approval, or
4. Have all contaminated wastewater collected and disposed of by a reputable trade waste contractor.



Protect our Lakes

- Help protect our stormwater drains.
- Concrete waste kills all aquatic life.
- Seek out best management practices.

Concrete Products

When handling wet concrete, cutting concrete or concrete products, rinsing exposed aggregate, or damping concrete as it cures, follow these easy rules to help protect our stormwater drains from pollution.

If cooling, lubricating, damping or rinsing water is required, ensure no discharge into the environment by:

- Diverting runoff to a pit or a grassed or unsealed area where it can all soak into the ground.
- Carefully blocking a catch pit and pumping the wastewater to an area where it can soak away.
- Have all wastewater collected and disposed of by a reputable trade waste contractor.
- Remove all settled and deposited sediments and dispose of in an environmentally safe way.
- Do not leave these sediments on the ground waiting for rain water to wash it into the stormwater drains to the lake.

On any construction site requiring multiple deliveries, ensure there is a designated wash out area which allows water to soak into the ground and not run overland into the stormwater system.

In all cases, clean up after yourself.