

## Licensing Requirements

All mobile water use operators must possess a valid City of Vista business license to conduct operations within the city. Prior to receiving your business license, you will be required to demonstrate the effectiveness of your water reclamation system and other BMPs in preventing wash water discharges. City staff will be available to conduct a scheduled inspection of your BMP system. Upon approval of your reclamation system, staff will notify the City's Business License department of their approval. Please review and evaluate your business's BMPs as necessary to ensure compliance.




If you have further questions, contact stormwater at [waterquality@cityofvista.com](mailto:waterquality@cityofvista.com) or 760.643.2804. The City of Vista is committed to protecting the quality of our local water bodies and appreciates your cooperation in this effort.

## City of Vista Stormwater Program

The City of Vista is committed to protecting and enhancing water quality in local waterways, all of which eventually flow to the Pacific Ocean. The City appreciates your cooperation in this effort and staff are available to assist you with any questions or concerns.

If businesses and residents help us to prevent urban runoff pollution, our local environment and community will benefit. For more information regarding the City's Stormwater and Water Quality Protection Program, please visit our website at: [cityofvista.com/stormwater](http://cityofvista.com/stormwater)

If you have questions about pollution prevention at your business or observe polluted runoff, please contact the City of Vista's Water Quality Hotline at:

 760.643.2804 (English and Spanish)

 [waterquality@cityofvista.com](mailto:waterquality@cityofvista.com)

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## Best Management Practices for Mobile Water Use Businesses



## We all play an important role in protecting our water, wildlife, and plants



## What are Mobile Water Use Operations?

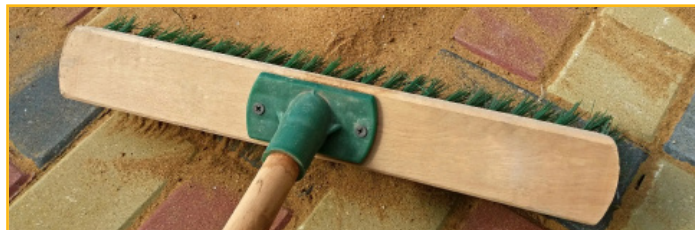
Mobile water use operations are mobile business activities that involve the use of water, particularly in the cleaning of surfaces, such as carpet cleaning, car detailing, pressure washing, steam cleaning or similar activities.



## How Can Mobile Water Users Prevent Pollution?

Minimize water use and use dry-cleaning methods when feasible, such as sweeping or vacuuming. When using water, implement the following:

- Sweep the area to remove trash and debris if pressure washing.
- All wash water must be contained, captured, and/or removed and disposed of properly.
- Use containment supplies (i.e., berms and sandbags) to prevent wash water from entering the storm drain system.
- Remove wash water by using effective water removal and reclamation system.
- Water reclamation and washing systems must be functional (no leaks, etc.).
- If adequate space and with the property owner’s permission, divert wash water to a landscape area or gravel surface.
- Properly dispose of all wash water. Collected wash water must be disposed in accordance with Encina Wastewater Authorities (EWA) guidelines. More information is available on EWA’s website [encinajpa.com](http://encinajpa.com) or contact EWA at 760-438-3941.



## Spill Response and Training

- Check the entire area for any chemical spills or hazardous materials.
- Properly remove and dispose of all waste.
- Report spills that have entered the storm drain system to the City of Vista.
- Use spill control materials (i.e., absorbent, towels, rags, and spill kit) to control liquid spills that may occur.
- Train all employees to ensure they follow these BMPs and understand that discharge of wash water to the storm drain system is prohibited.



## Best Management Practices

Best Management Practices (BMPs) are activities that prevent pollutants from entering the storm drain system. This brochure provides an overview of pollution prevention BMPs for mobile water use operations. Vista Municipal Code (Chapter 13.18, Urban Runoff Management and Discharge Control Program) prohibits *all pollutants from entering the storm drain system*, including wash water or waste from Mobile Water Use operations.

## Additional Recommendations

- Securely store supplies, equipment, and liquid containers in the vehicle.
- Properly label all containers.
- Although a product may be labeled as biodegradable”, it is still prohibited from entering the storm drain system.