

To: Purdue community

From: Carol A. Shelby, Senior Director

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Re: Help keep our Purdue and community waterways clean; report environmental

concerns

On behalf of Environmental Health and Public Safety (EHPS), I would like to remind the campus community to help keep our Purdue and surrounding waterways clean. This includes direct water sources such as Todd's Creek, storm sewers, Purdue Wildlife Area and other waterways and systems on Purdue property throughout the state. Campus facility toilets, sinks and indoor and outdoor water fountains are also included for protection, as these eventually discharge to a wastewater treatment plant or other treatment facilities.

Several ways that faculty, staff and students can assist with the ongoing initiative to maintain the integrity of nearby waterways are listed below.

- Avoid adding or dumping dye, chemicals and other substances directly or indirectly into waterways.
- If extenuating circumstances necessitate adding substances to waterways for research or instructional purposes, send a request for review and approval in advance to adminops@purdue.edu.
- Contact the Radiological and Environmental Management (REM) Hazardous
  Waste department for <u>waste management</u> services, including the disposal of
  biological, chemical, radioactive and hazardous waste at 765-494-0121.

I encourage you to follow our system-wide reporting initiative: If you see something, say something.

Report any waterway or campus environmental concerns, including accidental spills, to REM's Hazardous Waste department at 765-494-0121 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Outside of these hours, call the non-emergency Purdue public safety dispatch number at 765-494-8221.