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# STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Stormwater Management Planning Committee

FROM: Mary Beth Falsey, Stormwater Management

SUBJECT: Quarterly Spill Response Report

DATE: May 22, 2026

Stormwater Management staff receives notification of spill events through citizen reports, notification from municipalities, and through the Hazardous Materials Incident Reports sent from the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). Staff responds to spill events occurring in or near waterways and storm sewers. When needed, spill kits can be deployed to contain and absorb spills and prevent further release into storm sewers and waterways until the spiller can be identified and the spill cleanup conducted by a qualified environmental cleanup company. Stormwater Management staff also reports to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) as to the status of the remediation or if additional cleanup is needed. During the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2026, the following spill events occurred and were responded to:

### **Fuel Spill, Carol Stream, March 10, 2026**

During a routine inspection, Stormwater Management staff observed an oil sheen on a pond in Carol Stream. Staff deployed oil booms to contain and absorb the oil and traced the sheen upstream to a storm sewer catch basin. Village staff addressed the issue with the property owner.

### **Punctured Underground Storage Tank, Downers Grove, March 20, 2026**

Stormwater Management staff received a Hazardous Materials Incident Report regarding an underground storage tank that was punctured during drilling work for a utility. Staff verified no release offsite or into waterways and that there was no release beyond the immediate tank area.

### **Diesel Fuel Spill, Downers Grove, April 1, 2026**

Stormwater Management received a Hazardous Materials Incident Report of a diesel fuel spill from a truck in Downers Grove. Stormwater's maintenance crew was



dispatched to site to assist with tracing and deploying containment booms. The responsible party hired a remediation company to complete the cleanup. Stormwater staff coordinated with IEPA and Village staff throughout the process.

#### **Dye Spill, Unincorporated Bloomingdale, April 2, 2026**

Bloomingdale Fire Department and LEPC notified Stormwater Management regarding a spill of what was reported to be antifreeze in a right of way ditch. Fire Department, HazMat, and Bloomingdale Public Works were onsite investigating. HazMat teams utilized a HazMat ID Elite device to confirm the material was not antifreeze. Following investigation and discussion with IEPA On-Scene Coordinators, HazMat team, and SWM, the material was concluded to be a non-toxic dye. The Forest Preserve was notified as Mallard Lake Preserve is located downstream. No adverse impacts to the waterway were observed following the incident.

#### **Leaking Underground Storage Tank, Downers Grove, April 7, 2026**

Stormwater Management staff received a Hazardous Materials Incident Report regarding an underground storage tank on a Village property. Staff coordinated with the Village to confirm no release offsite or into waterways and that there was no release beyond the immediate tank area.

#### **Hydraulic Fluid Spill, DuPage Campus, April 9, 2026**

Stormwater Management staff was notified of a hydraulic fluid leak from a Facilities vehicle on campus. Stormwater Management and Transportation staff assisted with cleanup by placing absorbent pads and booms. Transportation vacuumed out the system. No release offsite or into waterways.

#### **Leaking Underground Storage Tank, Addison, April 14, 2026**

Stormwater Management staff received a Hazardous Materials Incident Report regarding a leaking underground storage tank at a gas station. Staff verified no release offsite or into waterways and that there was no release beyond the immediate tank area.

#### **Fluorescein Potassium Salt Spill, West Chicago, May 5, 2026**

The City of West Chicago notified Stormwater Management regarding a chemical spill on a parking lot which drained into a stormwater pond. SWM coordinated with IEPA, West Chicago, and the property manager on tracing and spill remediation. The responsible party worked with a remediation company on cleanup. Staff verified no adverse impacts to the pond and no release into downstream waterways.

**Transmission Fluid Spill, Villa Park, May 14, 2026**

Stormwater Management staff received a Hazardous Materials Incident Report regarding a leaking above ground storage tank at an automotive repair shop. Staff coordinated with Villa Park who verified no release offsite or into the storm sewer system.

**Chemical Release, Burr Ridge, May 17, 2026**

Stormwater Management staff received a Hazardous Materials Incident Report regarding a potential release from a fire at a testing lab in Burr Ridge. Staff verified no release into downstream storm sewer or waterways.