



FORT BRAGG POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE

Releasing Officer:	Sergeant Brandon A. Lee
Report Number:	None Assigned
Date / Time Incident:	Unknown time(s) or date(s)
Location of Incident:	Various locations in the City of Fort Bragg
Crime or Incident:	Illegal Dumping
Victim(s):	City of Fort Bragg/State of California
Suspect(s):	Unknown

CIRCUMSTANCES:

The Fort Bragg Police Department wishes to remind the general public that it is never legal to dump any substance into City storm drains or gutters. Additionally, it is never safe or legal to pour toxic/hazardous liquids or medications into sinks, drains, or toilets. During the first 6 months of 2015, the City of Fort Bragg has been alerted to several incidents where toxic/hazardous substances have been poured into the City's storm drains, and/or have made their way to the City's wastewater treatment facility. Specifically, paint, gasoline, and other solvent liquids have been detected.

Most of the City's storm drains lead directly to the Pacific Ocean and surrounding streams and rivers. Introducing harmful substance(s) into our streams, rivers, or ocean, can be detrimental to the health of wildlife, vegetation, and the environment overall. Citizens are reminded that Waste Management provides free disposal of toxic/hazardous household chemicals, paint, and solids, on the first Friday and Saturday of each month at its Pudding Creek Road facility. Please be mindful of our environment and precious resources here on the Mendocino Coast, and utilize safe and legal methods of disposing of toxic/hazardous substances.

The Fort Bragg Police Department requests that anyone with information or witnessing activities such as this, to immediately contact the Fort Bragg Police Department dispatch at 707-964-0200 or the Storm Water Hotline at 877-627-2001.

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