Public Works & Utilities

Department of Stormwater

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## **IDEM Audit Date Finalized!**

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) will be conducting an audit of the City of Goshen's municipal pollution prevention and good housekeeping program on **August 19th, 2015**. This will be the second audit IDEM has conducted to review the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System or MS4 program since the City was designated as a MS4 in 2005. The first audit was conducted on July 20, 2010.

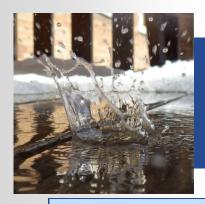
IDEM will be conducting a review of the City's Stormwater program documentation focusing on nine (9) different areas:

- Measureable Goals (as stated in the City's Stormwater Quality Management Plan)
- Employee Training
- Stormwater Infrastructure
- Flood Management
- Municipally Owned Facility Operation and Maintenance
- Vehicle Maintenance and Fueling
- Public Streets Operation and Maintenance
- Pesticide, Herbicide, and Fertilizer Application and Management
- Standards, Best Management Practices (BMPs), and Outreach (in regards to contracted services and the general public)

If the City lacks the appropriate documentation, IDEM may conduct site inspections at municipal facilities.

Therefore, please understand how important it is to document the work you complete daily by filling out reports, turning in work orders, etc.

Look for more information to come on the Audit as August 19th approaches.



# A DROP OF NEWS

Your Stormwater Newsletter

## Storm Drain Markers Now in Downtown Goshen

Engineering & Stormwater Department employees installed storm drain markers on downtown streets to inform the public where the water goes after it rains. Most storm drains between Madison Street on the south to Pike Street on the north and Fifth Street to the east and Third Street to the west now have a storm drain marker installed unless they already had "Dump no Waste—Drains to Waterways" stamped on the metal grate. Next time your downtown check them out.

# Could California Already Have a Solution to the Historic Drought?

Many areas throughout the United States have worked hard to move stormwater runoff from populated areas to nearby waterways by installing storm drains and pipes. The City of Goshen has done this as well. Now many communities are trying to slow down stormwater runoff and allow it to soak into the ground to replenish groundwater or capture it in underground storage areas called cisterns. The City is doing

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Report an illicit discharge or mud on the street by calling: 574-537-3832 or 574-534-2201.







this by installing pervious pavers with the most recent project on Madison Street. One community in California, Sun Valley, did this nearly a decade ago when they installed cisterns under a city park and now they capture nearly twice as much water as the community uses annually. To read the whole article go to: http://www.fastcoexist.com/3044988/california-is-sitting-on-the-solution-to-its-drought-problem.

#### The Great Storwmater Hunt Continues...

Thanks to all of who have joined "The Hunt" and called or emailed the Stormwater Department about illicit discharges or dirt on the road. It is greatly appreciated and your name has been added to the prize drawing in December.

