



## **WALKWAYS AND DRIVEWAYS**

The cleaning of walkways and driveways have the potential to contribute directly to storm drain systems primarily through the removal of spilled fluids such as oils, greases, and solvents along with dirt and other sediments which increases the sediment load on the storm drain system.

Think before letting anything but rainwater into the storm drains.

### **Designated BMPs**

- A. Do not discharge wash water from cleaning or hosing of impervious surfaces to the storm water drainage system.
- B. Use dry methods (e.g. sweeping, backpack blowers, vacuuming) whenever practical to clean sidewalks and driveways rather than hosing, pressure washing, or steam cleaning. DO NOT sweep or blow material into curb gutters or street. Pick up and dispose into trash.
- C. To remove pet or wildlife feces, scoop, sweep or wipe it up and dispose in trash, sanitary sewer or compost pile. If still needed, direct any hose down water to landscaped areas, (BACT)
- D. Parking facilities should be swept/vacuumed on a regular basis.
- E. Use absorbents to pick up oil; then dry sweep.