



## CITY OF FOLSOM

### **Guidelines for Residential Contractors to Contain Soil On Site and Minimize Fugitive Dust**

#### **I. Prevent tracking of soil onto streets**

##### **a. Provide stabilized access area**

Construct a stabilized access area consisting of ¾” crushed rock three to four inches deep. All vehicles should park only on this stabilized area. Use of the future driveway location for this area is recommended.

##### **b. Cover disturbed soil**

During rainy season broadcast straw over all disturbed soils areas to prevent foot tracking of soil onto streets.

##### **c. Wash-down Area**

On construction site, use stabilized access driveway as wash-down area to clean vehicles prior to re-entering the street. Vehicles and equipments shall be washed-down to prevent tracking of mud and soil onto street.

Also install acceptable device at back of walk (such as filter rolls, gravel bags and/or silt fencing) to contain and collect sedimentation on site. Over-excavate approximately four to six inches at back of walk for placement of containment device without impeding access to stabilized access Area.

##### **d. Inform Subcontractors of Guidelines**

All subcontractors and suppliers are to be made aware of these guidelines and shall follow the above-described steps to prevent the tracking of soil and mud onto the street.

#### **II. Removal of soil and mud from the street**

If soil and/or mud is tracked on the street despite following the above guidelines, the street shall be cleaned prior to end of the work day. The following methods shall be employed to clean the street of any soil or mud:

1. Scrape soil/mud from street using square-tip shovel to remove majority of debris in street. Sweeping of soil shall be minimized to prevent the generation of dust particles.
2. After scraping minimal sweeping may occur.
3. After scraping and minimal brooming any remaining material may be removed by washing down of the street surface. Prior to washing the street, install drain inlet protection (gravel bag, wattles, etc) at downstream drain inlet and at no more than fifty-foot intervals along the gutter pan upstream of the drain inlet to prevent soils and debris from entering the storm drain system.

As an alternative to the scrape and sweep methods described above, a mechanical sweeping device with a wet vacuum feature may be used.

Any tracking of soil material onto streets that is not properly cleaned at the end of a workday may be subject to a monetary fine from the City of Folsom and the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District. Employment of these guidelines should help avoid receiving such fines.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**QUESTIONS?**  
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