

DETENTION POND CLEANING

1. Preparation

- a. Schedule the Pond cleaning work for a time when dry weather is expected.
- b. Remove any sediment and trash from grates and basin area, placing it in a truck for disposal at the drying bed next to oil/water separator.
- c. Do a visual inspection to make sure any grates, structures, manholes, boxes, and pipes are in good working order. Remove manhole covers and grates as necessary for inspecting.

2. Process

- a. Provide outlet protection where feasible to minimize the amount of debris it might have during basin cleaning process.
- b. Clean basin by using backhoe or Front-End Loader to remove debris and sediment off the bottom.
- c. Continue cleaning structures and pond bottom as necessary by sweeping and shoveling.
- d. Put all material removed from the pond into a dump truck.
- e. Some structures may require use of a vactor truck. If so, follow SOP **“Catch Basin Cleaning”**.

3. Clean-up

- a. After cleaning basins, clean off the concrete pads using dry methods (sweeping and shoveling).

- b. Make sure they are swept up and clean.
- c. Take the material that was removed to the landfill for final disposal.

4. Documentation

- a. Keep a log of each detention basins/pond cleaned including date, individuals involved in cleaning, and a description of the type of debris removed.
- b. Record the amount of waste collected.
- c. Keep any notes or comments of any problems.