Sewage Spill Cleanup & Disinfection

The following method for cleanup and disinfection of streets, driveways, etc., after sewage spills or overflows are recommended by the City of Pacifica Public Works Division.

- 1. If sewage is containable, use a City of Pacifica sewage vacuum truck to remove it and take it to the treatment facility. Protect against sewage running into storm drains.
- 2. Rake up, sweep up, and shovel up all fecal matter and associated debris. Remove to sewage treatment plant.
- 3. Plug all storm drains that have the potential to collect cleanup solutions.
- 4. Using a solution of household chlorine bleach, such as Clorox or Purex, spray down the affected area. Let disinfectant remain in place for at least one-half hour. Recommended dosage of chlorine bleach is 1 cup (8 oz.) to 1 1/2 cups (12 oz.) of liquid bleach per 100 gallons of water. This will yield a dosage of approximately 30 to 45 ppm.
- 5. Wash down the area and vacuum up all water/solution. Repeat until only de-chlorinated water is present.
- 6. Vacuum out storm drain containment structures and then remove plugs.
- 7. Disinfect any tools used with the chlorine disinfectant solution once you have returned to the treatment facility.