

# Cement Plants

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# Cement Plants

- Why investigate cement plants.
  - The discharge can pollute our rivers and streams.
  - The solids discharged in the waste can cause flooding and alter the natural water flow.

# Crimes Involved

- Water pollution
- Illegal dumping
- Hazardous waste











# Water Pollution



# 7.145 Intentional or Knowing Unauthorized Discharge

- Intentionally or knowingly discharges or allows the discharge of a waste or pollutant:
  - Into or adjacent to water in the state that causes or threatens to cause water pollution.
  - From a point source in violation of Chapter 26 or a rule, permit, or order from the appropriate regulatory agency.







# Water Pollution

## 7.147 Unauthorized Discharge

- A person commits an offense if the person discharges or allows the discharge of any waste or pollutant into any waters of the state that causes or threaten to cause water pollution unless discharged in strict compliance with all required permits.

# Water Pollution

## 7.147 Unauthorized Discharge

- An offense under this section may be prosecuted without alleging or proving any culpable mental state.











## 7.162 Hazardous Waste

- A person commits an offense if the person, intentionally or knowingly:
  - (7) Releases, causes, or allows the release of a hazardous waste that causes or threatens to cause pollution, unless the release is made in strict compliance with all required permits.



# Illegal Dumping

## 365.012

- (a) A person commits an offense if the person disposes or allows or permits the disposal of litter or other solid waste at a place that is not an approved solid waste site.

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- (f) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor if:
  - The litter or other solid waste is disposed of for a commercial purpose and weighs more than five pounds but less than 200 pounds or has a volume of more than five gallons but less than 200 cubic feet.

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- (g) An offense under this section is a state jail felony if:
  - The litter or other solid waste is disposed for a commercial purpose weighs 200 pounds or more or has a volume of 200 cubic feet or more







# Investigating a site

- What to look for
  - Gray sludge in ditch
  - Cement waste and dust in and around the streets
  - Lots of water in the ditches

# Sludge in the ditches







# Test the PH



# Identify the Property





# Identify responsible parties

























# Truck washouts















# Job sites

























# Proper Disposal







# Alternatives









