# **PROPER DISPOSAL OF RV WASTES**



No doubt about it, Oregon is a great place to RV. Please help protect our beautiful state by properly disposing of all RV waste.



RV DISPOSAL STATION

USE RV WASTE DISPOSAL STATIONS TO PROTECT HUMAN HEALTH, OUR WATERS, AND YOUR POCKETBOOK!

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- Wastewater must be held in a watertight and sanitary container. Dump ONLY in a designated wastewater sump, flush toilet, or holding tank dump station.
- Close blackwater tank valves; dump when more than half full to ensure proper system operation.
- Use the graywater tank to help clear the hose after flushing the blackwater tank.
- Use a tank flushing device (not a potable water hose) each time after dumping your holding tank.

**NEVER** drain wastewater onto the ground or into an open container.

**NEVER** dump to a storm drain.

**NEVER** dump into pit toilets or sealed vault toilets.

- Use only treatments or deodorizers recommended by the manufacturer.
- Do not use bleach or formaldehyde in a waste disposal system as these substances can damage the system.
- Choose environmentally safe products in holding tanks, such as enzyme or bacterial-based products. Follow directions carefully, and dump your holding tanks often to reduce the need for tank treatments and deodorizers.





## **KNOW THE LAW!**

It is illegal to dump RV waste into streets or storm drains. Improper disposal can result in fines and penalties.



### **RV WASTE DISPOSAL STATIONS CAN BE FOUND AT:**

- Many Oregon State Parks
- Several Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) rest areas
- Private RV parks
- Many service stations and truck stops
- Several municipal water reclamation facilities (sewage treatment plants)

OREGON LAW:

"No person shall operate a recreational vehicle which is equipped with a plumbing, sink or toilet fixture upon any public way while the disposal system is unsealed or uncapped unless said disposal system is being discharged into or connected with a sewage disposal system approved by the State Board of Health."

- ORS 815.260

PROPER DISPOSAL IS FREE OR A NOMINAL COST IN OREGON

#### TO FIND RV DISPOSAL STATIONS:

#### **ODOT Trip Check**

- www.tripcheck.com/Pages/Rest-Areas-RV-Dump-Stations Other websites:
  - www.rvdumps.com/oregon
  - www.sanidumps.com

Check with local Oregon Automobile Club (AAA) offices, Oregon state parks offices, or chamber of commerce visitor centers

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