CITY OF VALDOSTA DRY WEATHER SCREENING Inspections and Investigative Procedures (July 2013)

Outfalls

- 1. A minimum of 20% of city maintained outfalls will be inspected annually, so that 100% are inspected within the 5-year permit period.
- 2. Dry weather inspections are visual inspections of outfalls that occur a minimum of 72 hours of no rainfall (0.1") within an area.
- 3. Each inspection will be documented on a *Dry Weather Outfall Screening Form* and a photograph will be taken of the outfall during the inspection.
- 4. If flow is present, then the inspector will perform sampling procedures.
 - a. During the sample process, if the outfall is determined to have an illicit discharge (e.g. readings do not fall within the allowable parameters), staff must begin the tracing protocol to determine the source of the illicit discharge.
 - b. If smell and/or sample suggest a possible illegal wastewater connection, the inspector will contact the Environmental Manager immediately.
- 5. Eliminate / remove the source of the illicit discharge. As soon as the source of the illicit discharge has been eliminated, it must be confirmed by staff that corrective actions have been completed.
- 6. All actions must be documented through the inspection process.
- Final inspections and documentation will be turned into the Stormwater Manager and then converted into GIS by the Southern Georgia Regional Commission – VALOR Program

See City of Valdosta Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Guidance Manual for more details

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