Smart Salting

Benefits of salt use

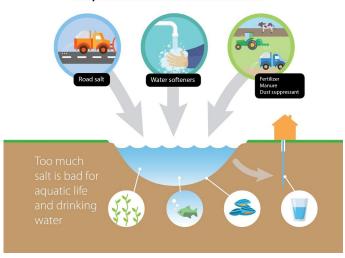
It's very important to keep streets, sidewalks, and driveways clear of ice and snow to prevent slips, trips, and falls, as well as vehicle accidents. Salts used for deicing is a fantastic and effective way of maintaining clear pathways!



Managing excess salt use

If salt is spilled or there is some left over on pavement after it is melted the ice, you can sweep or shovel the excess salt into airtight containers for use later on.

Salt pollution comes from several sources



Limiting salt use

Although salt is beneficial and useful for some things, it can also lead to major pollution and public water impairments. When applying salt we need to use only what is needed to prevent excess salt from running into our storm sewers and waterways.



Code Requirements

Chapter 54.03 of the Hutchinson
City Code requires the use of best
management practices for
commercial, institutional, and
industrial facilities to prevent
discharges of polluted runoff from
salt/deicer storage and application.

- Storage areas must be covered or indoors to prevent contact with rain, snow and melt water;
- Storage areas must be located on an impervious (paved) surface;
- Reduce exposure when moving materials in storage areas and clean up spills (e.g., sweeping, diversions, and/or containment).

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