

# Media Release

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## Help sought to find Glenelg Beach polluter

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) is appealing for the public's assistance to track down those who are responsible for the illegal disposal of a fluid into the stormwater system which was discharged at Glenelg beach.

EPA Manager Investigations and Tactical Support, Stephen Barry, said the City of Holdfast Bay's field staff became aware of the incident on Wednesday night and commenced preliminary investigations.

"A preliminary examination was unable to identify the substance which had traces of oil contaminants, some solids and a slight odour," Mr Barry said.

"But the council responded quickly to clean up the beach area and is reviewing CCTV which may offer more clues," Mr Barry said.

The estimated volume of this discharge was at least 600 litres.

"Although not conclusive, it appears that this liquid waste may have come from a temporary wastewater storage tank from a truck or vehicle-washing station," Mr Barry said.

"Having this wash-up on one of Adelaide's most popular beaches is totally unacceptable and is why we are appealing to the public to help the EPA prosecute anyone who is responsible for this illegal activity."

Holdfast Bay Council has since cleaned up the site by remediating the area which now poses no hazard or environmental threat.

Anyone with information about this incident should contact the EPA Pollution Hotline on (08) 8204 2004.



Photos:  
City of Holdfast  
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