

Used Oil Dumping in Afton, Minnesota

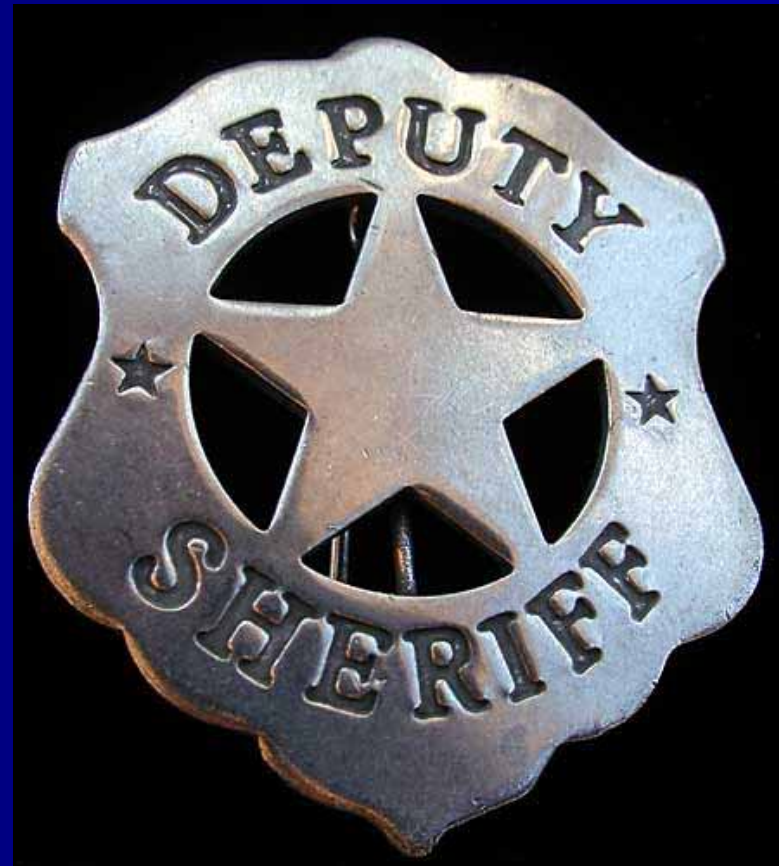
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Emergency Response Team

MPCA

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Washington County
Sheriff's Office
reports someone
intentionally
dumping 200-250
gallons of waste oil
on the side of the
road in Afton



MPCA Responds to Investigate

- Observe and document the situation
- Take photos
- Take samples
- Interview people involved
- Oversee cleanup activities

The dumper



The truck he was driving







Information Gained From the Interview

~1400 gallons were dumped

Driver stated he did not want to go back to unload at the company facility and he had a quota of pickups.

Driver indicated he knew the oil shouldn't be dumped and it had "impurities."

**Oil was drained into
riprap**



Dumper arrested



Company Responded

- Company hired environmental company to cleanup the dumped oil
- Excavated 280 yds³ contaminated soil
- Replaced rip rap
- Sampling and laboratory analyses

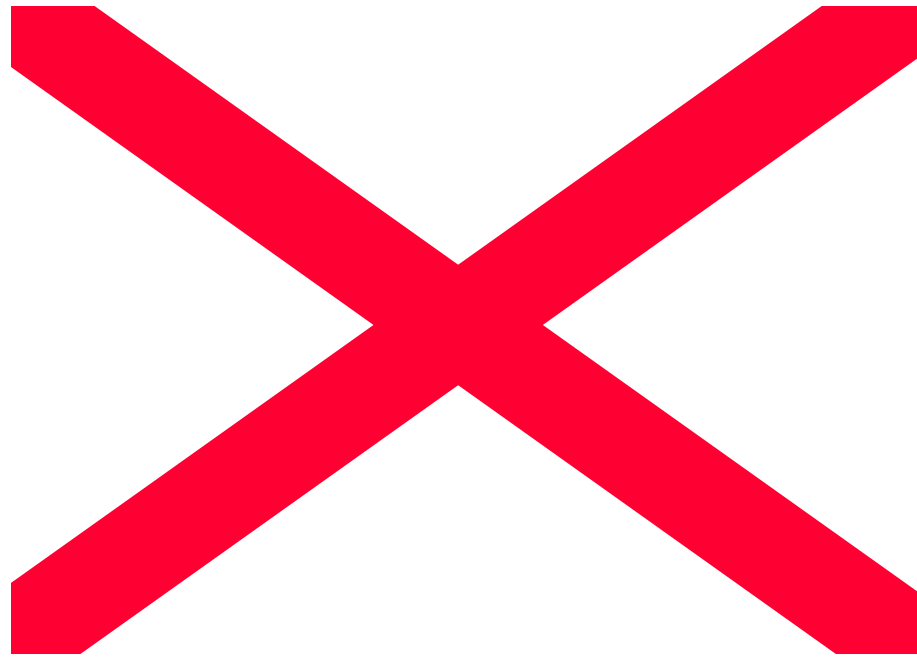
Jail House Chatter

- Recorded phone call dumper told someone that this is not the first time he did it
- MPCA assessed how to investigate for other potential dumping sites
- Requested company records when dumper was alone picking up oil

Evaluated the records

- Compiled by date of pickup
- Added up total volume each day
- Results...
 - 2 days volume > truck tank capacity
- Mapped the pickup locations

Two days of pick up locations



Be on the look out....

- Forwarded info to county sheriffs and environmental staff
- Nothing ever reported or found

Conviction

~~in jail with a total of 2 days
the company, the amount
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Questions?