

Oil and Water Don't Mix



Stormwater drains directly into nearby wetlands, streams and rivers, without receiving treatment at sewage plants.

Motor oil poured onto the ground or into storm drains or tossed into trash cans (even in sealed containers) can contaminate and pollute the soil, groundwater, streams, and rivers.

Keep oil out of our lakes and rivers!

- 1) Recycle used motor oil at a collection center.
- 2) Have your car checked for any leaking fluids that might run-off into storm drains. Cars that leak oil and other fluids pollute our water.
- 3) Recycle and re-use oil filters. Recycling one ton of drained oil filters produces 1,700 pounds of steel and recovers 60 gallons of used oil.



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One quart of oil poured down a storm drain can contaminate one million gallons of water.

