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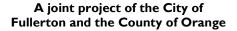
Project Pollution Prevention is a partnership of the County of Orange and the 34 cities of Orange County. Project Pollution Prevention's mission is to eliminate pollution from our water resources by educating business and individuals about what they can do to ensure we leave a legacy of clean water for future generations.

Project Pollution Prevention is part of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), a program of the United Sates Environmental Protection Agency intended to keep our environment safe for everyone by stopping storm water pollution.





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Many people perform at least some of their own routine maintenance on their vehicles. From simple oil changes to complete overhauls, working on your own car is an American tradition. But working on a car can also be a source of water pollution. Fortunately there are some simple steps you can take to keep our water clean.

Automobile repair and maintenance have the potential to pollute storm drain systems through spills or dumped waste fluids entering the storm drain system. Automotive fluids such as oils, greases, and solvents, contain hydrocarbons, heavy metals and other toxic compounds. Cleaning caked dirt and grime from engines and undercarriages in your driveway increases the sediment load in the storm drain system.

Pollution prevention activities are used to prevent spills from occurring in places where runoff can carry the spill to the storm drain. Source control activities are performed to remove spills from areas where runoff may carry the spill to the storm drain.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Preventing dangerous runoff from vehicle maintenance is simple. Just doing the things listed below will ensure work on your car protects the environment.

WHAT YOU CAN DO......

The following suggestions were developed to give you some ideas on how you can safely work on your car. They're common sense things that don't take a lot of time or cost a lot of money, but can do a lot to prevent water pollution.

- Recycle used oil and anti-freeze by taking them to designated recycling centers. For a facility near you call (714) 834-6752 or (714) 738-6884.
- <u>Never</u> pour oil or other automotive fluids into the gutter or storm drain. Its not only bad for environment, its against the law.

- Clean up any spills with proper absorbent materials. Don't wash down oil spills or absorbent materials into the gutter.
- Store hazardous substances in sealed contains indoors, under cover, or in watertight containers.
- Work on your car on a concrete or other hard surface so spills can be easily cleaned up.
- Use drip pans or plastic sheeting under your car to catch any fluid leaks before they hit the ground.
- Be sure oily rags and left over cleaning solvents are properly discarded.



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