#### **USED OIL COLLECTION CENTER**

**Lunada Bay Auto** 

2133 Palos Verdes Drive West 310-375-8313

### RECYCLING AND HAZARDOUS WASTE INFORMATION

Los Angeles County Dept. of Public Works, Recycling & Household Hazardous Waste Disposal 1-888-CleanLA (1-888-253-2652) or visit www.888CleanLA.com

Earth's 911 1-800-Clean-Up (253-2687) www.earth911.org

For more information on storage/disposal of hazardous waste call:

Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) Duty Officer 1-818-511-2830 or log on to www.dtsc.ca.gov

#### TOR REPORT ILLEGAL

Public Works Dept Non-Business Hours 310-378-0383 PVE Police Dept. Mon-Fri 8am-5pm310-378-4211

To report illegal discharges or dumping to the storm drain system anywhere in Los Angeles County at any time, call 1-888-CleanLA (1-888-253-2652).

#### TO REPORT A CLOGGED CATCH

Public Works Dept Non-Business Hours 310-378-0383 PVE Police Dept. Mon-Fri 8am-5pm 310-378-4211

To report a clogged storm drain inlet or catch basin anywhere in Los Angeles County at anytime, call:

Los Angeles County Dept. of Public Works 1-800-675-HELP or 626-458-4357 This brochure is one of a series of brochures describing storm drain protection measures. Other brochures include:

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HORSEOWNERS
LANDSCPING, GARDENING, & PEST CONTROL
PAINTING

For more information about storm drain protection or additional brochures, call the

CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES (310) 378-0383





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# Storm Water Pollution

**Automotive Maintenance** 



Best Management
Practices
(BMPs)

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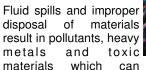


#### **PROBLEMS**

#### **Automobile Maintenance**

Many common car maintenance routines can be major sources of storm water pollution. Pollutants, such as oil and grease from cars, asbestos worn from brake linings, and toxics from spilled fluids, can make into a gutter or storm drain and eventually pollute the ocean.

It is estimated that over 209 million gallons of used motor oil is disposed each year by do-it-yourself oil changers. One gallon of used motor oil can pollute one million gallons of drinking water: a year's worth supply for 50 people!





contaminate the soil, ground and surface waters, and the ocean, creating public health and environmental risks.

#### **SOLUTIONS**

The following controls referred to as "Best Management Practices" or BMPs will help ensure a cleaner ocean and City.

#### **Spills**

- Manage your garage area to be clean and dry.
- Avoid accidental spills by using drip pans and funnels when draining or pouring fluids.
- Be ready for the unexpected spills by having spill containment and clean-up kits nearby.
- If a spill occurs, pour kitty litter, sawdust or cornmeal on the spill.

#### **Good Housekeeping**

- Avoid hosing down your garage floor and driveway. It is best to sweep regularly.
- Use non-toxic cleaning products. A mixture of water and baking soda works great on removing corrosion from battery heads and for cleaning chrome.
- Properly dispose of greasy rags, oil filters, batteries, spent coolant and degreasers. You may disposed of used motor oil, batteries and other household hazardous waste by calling 1-888-CleanLA.
- Avoid washing parts or equipment outside whenever possible. Do not pour liquid waste down sinks or outdoor storm drain inlets.
- Maintenance work, such as fluid changes should be done indoors to mitigate potential spills to the storm drain.

#### **Automobile Washing**

- Wash your car directly over your lawn or make sure the wash water drains to a vegetated area.
- If possible, take your vehicle to a washing facility to prevent oil and grease, suspended solids and other toxics from washing into the storm drains.
- Use phosphate-free biodegradable detergents. Use a bucket (not a running hose) or a close-grip nozzle handle to wash and rinse vehicles. This conserves water and minimizes urban runoff.



Lunada Bay Auto (located at 2133 Palos Verdes Drive West) is a Certified Collection Center authorized to accept used motor oil and filters from the public for **FREE**. A rebate of 16 cents per gallon of motor oil will be offered to residents who bring used oil for recycling, a maximum of 5 gallons of used oil is RECYCLE USED OIL accepted at a time.



#### Tips for Recycling Used Oil and Filters

- Do not discard used oil filters in the trash. Take your used oil filters to Lunada Bay Auto to recycle.
- DO NOT MIX used motor oil with other substances such as gasoline, antifreeze, paint stripper or pesticides. It will make recycling of used motor oil difficult.
- Drain your used motor oil and filters in a clean, sealed, leak proof container. You may obtain a free used oil container, while supplies last from Lunada Bay Auto.
- To find the nearest Certified Collection Center, call 1-888-CLEANLA or visit www.888CLEANLA.com.

#### **Household Hazardous Waste**

A typical home can contain a vast array of household hazardous products used for cleaning, painting, beautifying, lubricating, and disinfecting the house, yard, workshop, and garage. Such products include used motor oil and filters, fertilizers, pesticides, paint, antifreeze, floor care products, etc.

These materials and others (including electronic waste such as computers, monitors, TVs) can be properly disposed of at Household Hazardous Waste Roundups (HHW). For more information about the HHW event near you, call 1-888-CLEANLA or visit www.888CLEANLA.com for date and locations.