

# HELP SAVE OUR WATER: RECYCLE YOUR OIL!



## PLACER COUNTY'S STORMWATER QUALITY PROGRAM

The goal of Placer County's Stormwater Quality Program is to protect the health of all the County's creeks, streams, rivers, and lakes. Stormwater is not treated and flows directly into natural waterways. People and wildlife can become sick or die from eating diseased fish and shellfish or ingesting polluted water. By recycling your used oil, you are helping us keep the water we use for swimming, fishing, and drinking clean.

## USED OIL AND OIL FILTER RECYCLING

Used oil is a toxic substance that can be environmentally hazardous if not disposed of properly. One gallon of oil - the amount of a typical oil change - can contaminate one million gallons of drinking water. The Western Placer Waste Management Authority (WPWMA) and State of California provide numerous collection centers for safe disposal of your used oil and oil filters.

## WHY RECYCLE USED OIL?

Did you know that used motor oil never wears out? It just gets dirty and can be recycled, cleaned, and used again. Recycling used motor oil conserves a natural resource (oil) and is good for the environment too! Motor oil poured onto the ground or into storm drains, or tossed into trash cans (even in a sealed container) can contaminate and pollute the soil, groundwater, streams, and rivers. Recycling your used motor oil reduces this pollution threat. When you take your used oil to a certified center for recycling, you are protecting the environment and conserving a valuable resource.

## WHAT ABOUT CONTAMINATED OIL?

Certified center managers will not accept used motor oil that has been contaminated with other fluids such as antifreeze, solvents, gasoline, or water. So please, don't mix your used oil with anything. However, if your used oil accidentally gets contaminated, your certified center manager can tell you where to take it for proper disposal. Alternatively, you can get information from your local Household Hazardous Waste Facility about how to deal with your suspected contaminated oil.

## PLEASE DO NOT:

- Dispose of the oil filter with your regular garbage.
- Mix oil with other fluids such as water, gasoline, or antifreeze.
- Pour used oil on the ground or into storm drains.



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## ABOUT THE CERTIFIED CENTERS

The Integrated Waste Management Board and Placer County encourages the recycling of used motor oil by certifying used oil recycling collection centers throughout the state. Certified Used Oil Collection Centers will take used motor oil from the public. Most centers will take up to 5 gallons at a time.

## PLEASE ALWAYS REMEMBER TO:

- Transport oil in containers with a tightly sealed lid.
- Place used oil filters in a re-sealable bag or other leak-proof container.
- Take in no more than 5 gallons of used oil at one time.
- Always wait for an attendant to accept your used oil.
- Avoid contaminating used oil with any other substances.



## HAZARDOUS WASTE

1. Never use soaps or detergents to clean oil or fuel. Soaps emulsify oil, breaking it into invisible droplets that disperse throughout the water. Adding soap is ILLEGAL and bad for the environment.
2. Many cleaning and maintenance products are considered hazardous waste, including antifreeze, lead-acid batteries, used oil and oil filters, oil/fuel saturated absorbents, solvents, paints, zincs, varnishes and cleaning products.
3. Review storage of products every six months and properly dispose of old or unnecessary products. Be sure to bring all hazardous waste to your local Household Hazardous Waste Facility.
4. Practice good preventive engine maintenance. Keep engines well tuned and operating at peak efficiency. Inspect fuel lines, hoses, hydraulic lines, valves, oil seals, gaskets and connections for leaks and deterioration. Make sure hoses are the correct length and secured to avoid kinking and chafing.

## CLOSING THE LOOP - RE-REFINED OIL SAVES RESOURCES

You've made the effort to recycle your used oil and keep the environment clean. But what happens to that oil after you drop it off at a collection center? Of the nearly 750 million gallons of used oil collected each year, 43% goes to asphalt plants, 12% generates electricity, and 14% is refined to virgin conditions. The remainder is used for fuel or in other industries such as steel and paper mills. Refined oil is mostly purchased in bulk and used by fleet vehicles... so if you operate a fleet, please request a bid for re-refined oil from your employer.

Report oil, fuel and chemical spills to these numbers:

**California Office of Emergency Services: 1-800-OILS911**

**Placer County Environmental Health: (530) 745-2300**

[http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/hhs/env\\_health.aspx](http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/hhs/env_health.aspx)

## LOCAL OIL RECYCLING FACILITIES

Here is a list of the certified oil recycling centers in Placer County. Remember, by recycling your used oil, you are protecting the environment and conserving a valuable natural resource!

**West County: Household Hazardous Waste Facility: (916) 645-5230**

1	<b>Applegate Garage:</b> 17914 Applegate Rd, Applegate, CA; (530) 878-2824
2	<b>O'Riley Auto Parts #1360:</b> 458 Grass Valley Hwy, Auburn, CA; (530) 823-1177
3	<b>Quick Lube Service Center:</b> 875 Marguerite Mine Rd, Auburn, CA; (530) 887-8158
4	<b>Riebes Auto Parts:</b> 200 Palm Ave, Auburn, CA; (530) 885-513
5	<b>SpeeDee Oil Change &amp; Tune-Up:</b> 12021 Summer Ridge Dr, Auburn, CA; (530) 823-0102
6	<b>City of Colfax Used Oil Facility:</b> 250 Rising Sun Rd, Colfax, CA; (530) 346-2313
7	<b>Placer Waste Management Agency:</b> 3033 Fiddymt Rd. at Athens, Lincoln, CA; (916) 645-5230 x 4
8	<b>AutoZone #5546:</b> 6651 Stanford Ranch Rd, Rocklin, CA; (916) 630-8818
9	<b>Jiffy Lube:</b> 6070 Stanford Ranch Rd, Rocklin, CA; (916) 789-2501
10	<b>O'Riley Auto Parts #1421:</b> 5601 Pacific St, Rocklin, CA; (916) 624-0393
11	<b>Pick-N-Pull, Rocklin #3:</b> 6355 Pacific St, Rocklin, CA; (916) 784-6350
12	<b>SpeeDee Oil Change &amp; Tune-Up:</b> 5490 Pacific St, Rocklin, CA; (916) 632-8495
13	<b>Firestone Store #3542:</b> 1167 Roseville Square, Roseville, CA; (916) 783-0431
14	<b>O'Riley Auto Parts #1776:</b> 3993 Foothills Blvd, Roseville, CA; (916) 782-3211
15	<b>O'Riley Auto Parts #426:</b> 106 Harding Blvd, Roseville, CA; (916) 783-0424
16	<b>SpeeDee Oil Change &amp; Tune-Up:</b> 660 Sunrise Ave, Roseville, CA; (916) 781-6665

**Tahoe/Truckee: Household Hazardous Waste Facility: (530) 583-0148**

17	<b>Stone's Country Tire &amp; Auto:</b> 8001 N. Lake Blvd, Kings Beach, CA; (530) 546-5927
18	<b>Tahoe City Chevron Service:</b> 310 River Rd, Tahoe City, CA; (530) 583-0211
19	<b>Eastern Regional Landfill*:</b> Cabin Creek Rd, Truckee, CA; (530) 587-4235 *Eastern Regional Landfill only accepts used oil during Household Hazardous Waste Days. Visit the following website to find out when the next HHW event will be held: <a href="http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/Facility/FacilityServTahoe/EnvironmentalUtilities/householdhazardouswaste.aspx">http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/Facility/FacilityServTahoe/EnvironmentalUtilities/householdhazardouswaste.aspx</a>
20	<b>Truckee Automotive:</b> 11410 Deerfield Drive, Truckee, CA; (530) 587-5705
21	<b>Halls Excavating:</b> 10911 Glenshire Drive, Truckee, CA; (530) 587-6487
22	<b>Truckee Rents, Inc:</b> 10410 River Park Place, Truckee, CA; (530) 587-7832



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