

## Orange County Storm Water Program Participants:

Anaheim Public Works/Engineering	(714) 765-5259
Brea Engineering	(714) 990-7666
Buena Park Public Works	(714) 562-3655
Costa Mesa Public Services	(714) 754-5248
Cypress Engineering	(714) 229-6752
Dana Point Public Works	(949) 248-3560
Fountain Valley Public Works	(714) 593-4400 x347
Fullerton Engineering Dept	(714) 738-6853
Garden Grove Development Services	(714) 741-5554
Huntington Beach Public Works	(714) 536-5432
Irvine Public Works	(949) 724-6315
La Habra Public Services	(562) 905-9792
La Palma Public Works	(714) 523-1140 x102
Laguna Beach Municipal Services	(949) 497-0711
Laguna Hills Engineering	(949) 707-2600
Laguna Niguel Public Works	(949) 362-4337
Lake Forest Public Works	(949) 461-3480
Los Alamitos Community Dev	(562) 431-3538 x301
Mission Viejo Public Works	(949) 470-3095
Newport Beach Public Works	(949) 644-3311
Orange Public Works	(714) 744-5551
Placentia Engineering	(714) 993-8131
San Clemente Engineering	(949) 361-6100
San Juan Capistrano Engineering	(949) 493-1171
Santa Ana Public Works	(714) 647-3380
Seal Beach Engineering	(562) 431-2527 x318
Stanton Public Works	(714) 379-9222 x204
Tustin Public Works Engineering	(714) 573-3150
Villa Park Engineering	(714) 998-1500
Westminster Public Works Eng.	(714) 898-3311 x229
Yorba Linda Engineering	(714) 961-7170 x174
O. C. Storm Water Program	(714) 567-6363
O. C. Urban Runoff Plan Review	(714) 834-3526
24 Hour Water Pollution Problem Reporting Hotline	(714) 567-6363 or E-mail information to ashbyk@prfd.co.orange.ca.us

### Other Important Phone Numbers:

For Additional Brochures (714) 567-6363

For Recycling Tips [www.ciwmb.ca.gov/wmprog.htm](http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/wmprog.htm)

\*O. C. Household Hazardous Waste Information  
(714) 834-6752 or [www.oc.ca.gov/IWMD](http://www.oc.ca.gov/IWMD)

Chemical and Hazardous Material Spill Emergencies 911

Information on locations that accept used motor oil,  
California Integrated Waste Management Board  
(800) 553-2962 or [www.CIWMB.ca.gov](http://www.CIWMB.ca.gov)

Information on agriculture chemicals, pesticides and  
possible alternatives, O.C. Agriculture Commissioner  
(714) 447-7100

Information for industries regarding Hazardous  
Waste And Underground Storage Tank Requirements:  
O.C. Health Care Agency / Environmental Health  
Division/ Hazardous Materials Management Section  
(714) 667-3700

## Do You Know Where The Water In Your Storm Drain Goes?



To The Ocean...

## Orange County Urban Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program

*Even if you live miles from  
the Pacific Ocean you may  
be polluting it without  
knowing it.*

### How Does Orange County's Storm Drain System Work?

Unlike the sewer system, which carries water from your indoor drains to wastewater treatment plants, the storm drain system releases untreated water into channels, rivers and ultimately the ocean.

To insure the safety and enjoyment of our environment, everyone's help is needed to keep the storm drain system free from harmful pollutants...

*Did you know that one pint of  
motor oil can produce an oil slick  
of approximately one acre on the  
surface of water?*

## COMMON STORM DRAIN POLLUTANTS

### HOME MAINTENANCE

- Detergents, Cleaners and Solvents
- Oil and Latex Paint
- Swimming Pool Chemicals
- Outdoor Trash and Litter

### LAWN AND GARDEN

- Pet and Animal Waste
- Pesticides, Insecticides, and Herbicides
- Clippings, Leaves and Soil
- Fertilizer

### AUTOMOBILE

- Oil and Grease
- Radiator Fluids and Antifreeze
- Cleaning Chemicals
- Brake pad dust





**Did you know that dumping anything in the storm drain system is illegal and harmful to the environment?**

**Before you let anything go into the gutter or the storm drain, stop and think!**



## Things You Can Do To Protect The Water In Your Storm Drain System

### HOUSEHOLD

Some household products, such as cleaners, insect spray and weed killers, can cause pollution if allowed to drain into a storm drain. Buy household products labeled "nontoxic" whenever possible. Clean up spills with an absorbent material such as kitty litter and check with your disposal carrier or a household hazardous waste collection center \*, for disposal recommendations.

### PAINT AND SOLVENTS

Clean water-based paints from rollers, pans and brushes in sinks that go into the sewer system. Use paint thinner to remove oil-based paint from brushes and rollers, then take used thinner and left over paint to a household hazardous waste collection center \*, or keep the paint for touch ups, or give it to a friend.

### AUTOMOTIVE

Keep your autos in good repair and watch for possible leaks. Take left over or used fluids to your household hazardous waste collection center \*. Clean up leaks and spills with an absorbent material such as kitty litter and check with your disposal carrier or a household hazardous waste collection center \* for disposal recommendations.

**Storm drain water goes directly into channels and creeks...**



### SWIMMING POOL AND SPA

Water containing chlorine is harmful to aquatic life. Whenever possible, drain water into the sewer system. There are established guidelines on the amount of residual chlorine, acceptable ph range, coloration, filter media and acid cleaning wastes when draining into the storm drain system, and some areas may require a permit. Check with your city or call the county at 714-567-6363 for a copy of the guidelines.

### LAWN AND GARDEN

Use a broom or rake to clean up yard debris and place in trash bins; lawn clippings and leaves should be placed in recycling containers if available - or better yet, leave your grass clippings on the lawn. Follow directions carefully when using pesticides and fertilizers; don't over water or use before a rain. Pesticides and fertilizers may adversely impact our waterways.

### TRASH

Place trash and litter that cannot be recycled or reused in trash cans, call your city to find out if your city has a recycling program. Whenever possible, turn trash into useful products and buy recycled products.

Remember: Reduce - Reuse - Recycle

### PET CARE

Pick-up pet waste as soon as possible and put it in the trash. Pet waste has harmful bacteria that can get into our waterways. Also, follow label directions for disposal on pet care products like flea shampoo, they can be toxic.

**...and through wetlands and bays...**

**...to the ocean.**

This brochure has been developed as part of the Orange County Storm Water Management Program. Participants include the County of Orange, local cities, and agencies listed in this brochure. You may contact one of them for additional brochures and information.

### **It's Up To You**

Together, you and your neighbors can make a difference to keep gutters, storm drains and waterways clean. To learn more, contact your city or one of the program participants listed in this brochure.