

Only Rain Down the Drain

Storm drains are designed to carry only rainwater. They flow directly to creeks and rivers and into Monterey Bay without any type of treatment. Vehicle maintenance and washing can send pollutants such as grease, oil, antifreeze, metals and detergent directly to Santa Cruz County waterways. Even if polluted runoff evaporates, the problem isn't gone. Pollutants remain on the pavement and are picked up in storm water the next time it rains. These tips will help you reduce pollution from your home activities and protect our environment.

Pollution Prevention Tips

Small changes can make a

BIG
difference.



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Taking Care of Your Vehicle and the Environment

