

How to Prevent Stormwater Pollution

-Residents-



Properly store household hazardous items (bleach, paint, gas, oil, cleaners) in sealed containers located inside or in a covered shed. Dispose of excess materials at a designated LA County SAFE Center (Hyperion Treatment Facility). Washout water based paintbrushes in sinks, never outside on lawns or pavements. Use dry methods (kitty litter, rags, brooms, etc.) to immediately clean up hazardous spills. Never hose down with water.



Keep your property and the street in front of your house clean of trash and debris. Use a broom to clean your driveway, patios, and walkways. Never hose down with water into the street or storm drain inlets. Even grass, leaves, and dirt negatively impact ocean life and habitat.



Avoid using fertilizers and pesticides if possible. If necessary, limit use to only what is necessary and follow manufacturer's directions. Never use immediately before or after a rain event.



Regularly maintain vehicles to prevent fluid leaks and metal rust. Place drip pans under vehicles and regularly empty them. Collect and recycle used oil and vehicle fluids at a designated LA County SAFE Center (Hyperion Treatment Facility).



Pick up animal waste from your pet and dispose of properly. Rainwater mixing with animal waste ultimately pollutes the ocean waters with bacteria and viruses.



Never drain your pool into landscaping, the street, or storm drain inlets. Obtain a permit from the City of El Segundo to drain it to the sewer system. De-chlorinate your pool, spa, or fountain first by allowing the water to sit for a few days prior to discharging. Do not discharge immediately before or after a rain event.

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