



VEHICLE MAINTENANCE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPs)

Proper vehicle maintenance, equipment management, and handling of chemicals and waste, can prevent pollutants from entering Orlando's lakes through the stormwater system.

- **WASH AND DUMP ALL WASTEWATER FROM WASHING OPERATIONS IN DESIGNATED AREAS THAT DRAIN TO APPROVED SANITARY SYSTEMS.** In circumstances where washing can not be done in these designated areas, wastewater needs to be contained and then disposed of in a sanitary system and not be allowed to enter the stormwater system.
- **STORE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IN LABELED CONTAINERS, UNDER COVER, OUT OF THE RAIN, AND ON PALLETS TO FACILITATE INSPECTIONS FOR LEAKS.** Keep stored away from high traffic areas to reduce accidents, spills, or damage to containers. Hazardous materials may include batteries, waste fluids, leaking auto parts, etc.
- **USE DRY CLEAN-UP METHODS ONLY FOR LEAKS AND SPILLS AND CLEAN UP IMMEDIATELY.** Sweep, do not hose. Remove absorbent material and dispose of properly according to MSDS recommendations and through your hazardous waste and/or solid waste haulers.
- **INSPECT EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES FOR LEAKS ON A DAILY BASIS.** If a leak is detected, apply absorbent material immediately. Place drip pans or use drop clothes underneath leaks to capture fluids to prevent them from entering paved areas, storm drains, or waterbodies.
- **USE A SPOUT AND FUNNEL ON WASTE CONTAINERS TO MINIMIZE SPILLS. HAVE ABSORBENT MATERIALS CLOSE BY.**
- **USE OIL CADDIES FOR COLLECTION AND TRANSPORT OF USED OIL.**
- **KEEP BIN UNDER LATHE OR GRINDER.** Capture metal filings and recycle or dispose of properly.
- **REGULARLY MAINTAIN OIL/WATER SEPARATOR TO ENSURE IT FUNCTIONS PROPERLY AND TO AVOID OVERFLOWS.**
- **KEEP DUMPSTER AREA CLEAN AND COVERED. ENSURE DUMPSTER PLUG IS IN PLACE.** Never fill dumpster with liquid waste or hose it out into paved areas, storm drains, or waterbodies.
- **RECYCLE APPROPRIATE MATERIALS OR DISPOSE OF PROPERLY.**
- **CONFIRM THAT ALL SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE LICENSED AND FOLLOW PROPER INDUSTRY PROCEDURES TO PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION.**

Remember...ONLY RAIN DOWN THE STORM DRAIN!!

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