

Car Care Corner

Vital Maintenance

(NAPSA)—It doesn't just save you money and hassle to keep your car in good shape—it can help keep our highways looking clean and beautiful. A poorly maintained vehicle can leave tire debris and even pollutants on the



Regular checks of your engine's fluids will help identify potential leaks.

road that can flow into the highway storm drain system. These highway drain systems can empty into our waterways, including lakes, rivers and beaches.

The California Department of Transportation offers some car care tips that can also help keep the roads clean:

- Check your vehicle's cooling system on a regular basis.
- Check your vehicle's fluids regularly: engine oil, transmission fluid and power steering fluid.
- Check the tires for proper inflation, rotate your tires regularly and have your vehicle's wheel alignment checked. Proper tire care ensures long tire life and reduces potential tire particle pollution.

For more tips, visit www.DontTrashCalifornia.info.