

## Caldwell, Dwayne

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**From:** Becca Mattox <becca.mattox3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 26, 2024 10:13 AM  
**To:** Caldwell, Dwayne  
**Subject:** Re: Oil spill  
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Okay, I will do that! Thank you very much!

On Fri, Apr 26, 2024, 10:10 AM Caldwell, Dwayne <[DCaldwel@idem.in.gov](mailto:DCaldwel@idem.in.gov)> wrote:

Good Morning

Thank you for contacting me. I did take a call from your neighbor regarding used oil being spilled. Used oil is a pollutant that has the potential to impact both surface and groundwater as well as pets and wildlife. Therefore it is addressed in the following code:

IC 13-30-2-1 Specific acts prohibited

Sec. 1. A person may not do any of the following:

(1) Discharge, emit, cause, allow, or threaten to discharge, emit, cause, or allow any contaminant or waste, including any noxious odor, either alone or in combination with contaminants from other sources, into:

(A) the environment; or

(B) any publicly owned treatment works;

(14) Apply or allow the application of used oil to any ground surface, except for purposes of treatment in accordance with a permit issued by the department

One also must apply a bit of common sense as well. Someone spilling a small amount is different than someone pouring used oil along a fence line for weed control or as a dust suppressant. For a small amount I simply request the impacted soil be shoveled up and disposed in the regular trash pickup. Other violations would require an environmental contractor to perform remediation and incur civil penalties. From your description simply shoveling up impacted soil and disposal would be the best course.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.



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Good morning,

I am contacting you through email to discuss the matter of the oil Spill at 11322 E. Davis Ave. I am assuming our neighbors have called to report this spill. Neither here nor there, but they have been trying multiple things to harass us because they are upset about a fence being put up. The spill happened on accident due to trying to pour it into a bucket and a little spilled out, I was under the impression that there was a certain amount that needed to spill out for us to actually report it. If I am wrong, please let me know. Email is the best way to contact me, as I am working throughout the day, and I can answer faster. Thank you.

Rebecca Mattox