Best Management Practices
Vehicle Repair and Maintenance

**Metal Grinding & Polishing**
Keep a bin under your lathe or grinder to capture metal filings. Send uncontaminated filings to a scrap metal recycler for reclamation.

**Cleaning Up Spills Immediately**
Use dry methods for spill cleanup (sweeping, absorbent materials, etc.). Follow your hazardous materials response plan, as filed with your local fire department or other hazardous materials authority. Be sure that all employees are aware of the plan and are capable of implementing each phase of the plan.

**Preventing Leaks and Spills**
Place drip pans underneath to capture fluids. Use absorbent cleaning agents instead of water to clean work areas.

**Cleaning Auto Parts**
Scrape parts with a wire brush or use a bake oven rather than liquid cleaners. Arrange drip pans, drying racks, and drain boards so that fluids are directed back into the sink or the fluid holding tank.

**Proper Storage of Chemical Waste**
Keep your liquid wastes segregated. Many fluids can be recycled via hazardous waste disposal companies if they are not mixed. Store all materials under cover or inside to prevent contamination by rainwater.

**Proper Disposal of Chemical Waste**
Recycle solvents, oil and used filters, anti-freeze, batteries, lubricants, and metal filings collected from grinding/polishing auto parts. Contact a licensed certified waste hauler to dispose of saturated absorbents.

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