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FRYING YOUR TURKEY FOR THE HOLIDAY? DON'T FORGET TO RECYCLE THE GREASE

(Costa Mesa, CA) – Deep fried turkey is very popular during the holiday season, but how do you dispose of the grease? One fryer can hold up to five gallons of used cooking oil! Oil poured down the kitchen sink can solidify and clog sewer pipes which can potentially cause backups and overflows. It is forbidden to pour oil in storm drains due to the adverse impact upon wildlife and waterways. Fortunately, the Costa Mesa Sanitary District (CMSD) and Orange Coast College (OCC) have teamed up to offer a free and convenient program for residents to recycle cooking oil. Residents can store cooled cooking oil in a container with a lid and bring it to OCC's Recycling Center on Adams Avenue between Harbor Boulevard and Fairview Road. The Recycling Center is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Used oil is then recycled into reusable products such as candles, soaps, cosmetics and biodiesel. To learn more about the grease recycling program, please visit CMSD's website at www.cmsdca.gov to watch a short video.

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