Introduction
Used and waste oil must be managed appropriately to prevent environmental problems from occurring. Both State and Federal regulations apply to the management of used oil. Used oil is banned from landfills. The following information is applicable for used oil, which is NOT HAZARDOUS. If the oil has been contaminated, for example with solvents (brake cleaner/paints) or heavy metals, the hazardous waste disposal procedure must be followed.

Definitions
Used Oil – “any oil which has been refined from crude oil or synthetic oil and as a result of use, storage or handling has become contaminated and unsuitable for its original purpose”. This includes transmission and brake fluids and lubricating greases. It does NOT include products derived from animal or vegetable fats. Used oil destined for recycling is presumed NOT to be hazardous. Oily Waste – “materials which are mixed with used oil and have become separated from that used oil”. This includes spill sorbents, rags and thoroughly drained oil filters.

Storage
Field Research Services (FRS) Unit maintains a doublewalled waste oil container in their storage shed. The container must be labeled with the words “Used Oil” and all containers must be maintained in good condition. The storage containers shall be protected from weather. Containers must be kept closed at all times.

Disposal
Only a reputable, qualified and approved GA EPD vendor will be contacted to provide used oil reuse and recycling services. Oily Waste items may be disposed in the trash.

Spills and leaks
Any spill or leak must be stopped, contained, and managed immediately. An oil specific spill kit is located within the FRS shed (close to the main storage container). The use of appropriate eye protection and skin protection is recommended when working with oil.