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# SPEAKING of CREEKS

## ***A forum to discuss the future of our creeks & beaches***

Wednesday, September 25  
6 to 9 p.m.

Faulkner Gallery at the Santa Barbara Downtown Library  
40 E. Anapamu St.

▶ **Which creek or watershed matters to you?**

The health of the South Coast's creeks and beaches affect us all. *Speaking of Creeks* is an opportunity for you to share your concerns — as well as ideas for improving things — with representatives from the County and City and concerned citizens. We'll be listening and looking for opportunities to form stronger partnerships with the community.

▶ **Who needs to know more about preventing water pollution? Kids? Families? Pet owners? Businesses?**

▶ **What needs to be done? More education? Street sweeping? Enforcement of pollution laws?**

**Speak Up** – Any organization, business or individual is invited to give a 3 to 5 minute presentation about their ideas to improve water quality or restore local creeks. You could discuss:

▶ **What can you and your neighbors do to help? What can your business do?**

- ▶ Conceptual ideas or a vision.
- ▶ Well-developed projects that are ready for implementation.
- ▶ Existing projects that would benefit from a broader collaboration.

▶ **Do you have a great idea for protecting our creeks that we don't know about?**

▶ **What's YOUR vision for the future of our creeks and beaches?**

**Listen** – If you want to understand what's happening in the community to improve our creeks and beaches, come listen, learn, and perhaps become motivated to get involved.

Sign up to speak or request speaking guidelines by calling [897-2658](tel:897-2658) or emailing [speakingofcreeksforum@hotmail.com](mailto:speakingofcreeksforum@hotmail.com)



Family  
Festival

# Celebrate

the **Vitality** and **Future** of  
Old Mission Creek & Bohnett Park

Saturday, October 26  
11:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Bohnett Park

**Free BBQ!**

## CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

- ~ Bounce House
- ~ Coloring Contest
- ~ Creek Water Testing
- ~ And More...

Live Music by  
**Trio Los  
Barbareños  
de Reyes López**

**Win Raffle  
Prizes!**

Prepare **Native Plants** for the Park and your Home

Learn more about the upcoming park improvements  
and the importance of clean water for your health.



Co-Hosted by the City of Santa Barbara, Creeks Program  
and the Westside Center Advisory Committee  
897-2658/963-7567

Festival  
Familiar

# Celebrar

la Vitalidad y el Futuro del  
Arroyo Old Mission & el Parque Bohnett

Sábado, 26 Octubre  
11:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Bohnett Park

¡BBQ Gratis!

## Actividades Para Los Niños

- Casa para Saltar
- Competencia de Pintura
- Muestreo del Agua de Arroyo
- Y Mas...

Música  
en vivo con  
Trio Los  
Barbareños  
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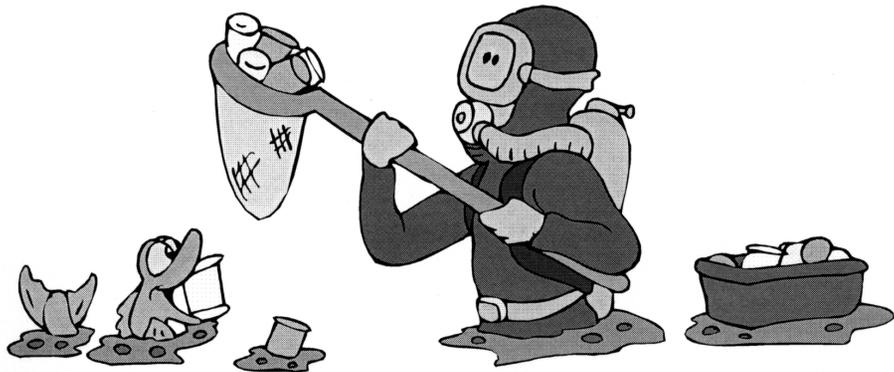
¡Gane Premios  
en Sorteos!

Prepare Plantas Nativas para el Parque y para su Hogar.

Conozca mas sobre las futuras mejoras del parque  
y la importancia del agua limpia para su salud.



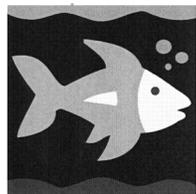
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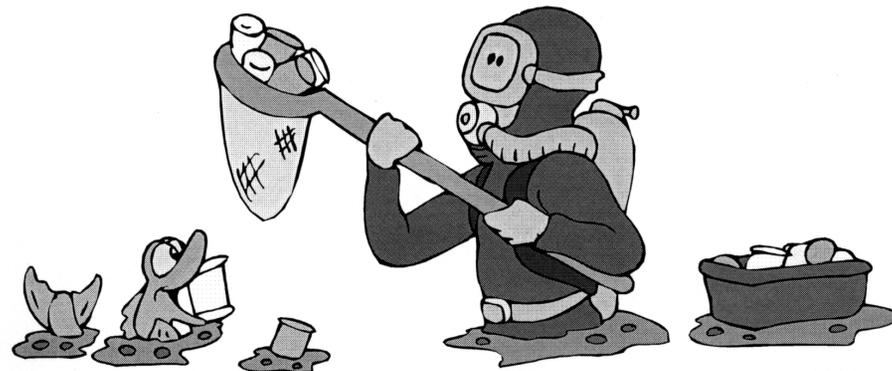
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*Sábado, 11 de oct. • 9am a mediodía*

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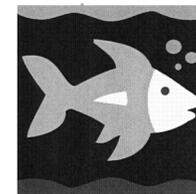
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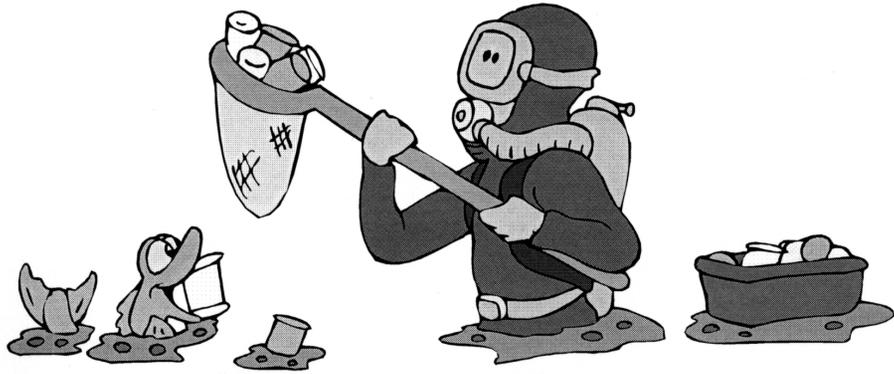
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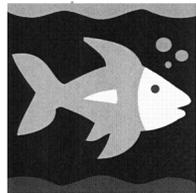




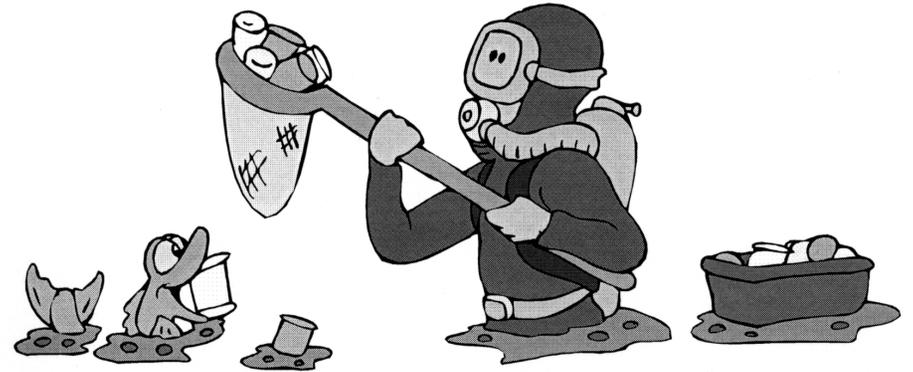
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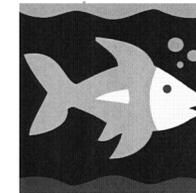
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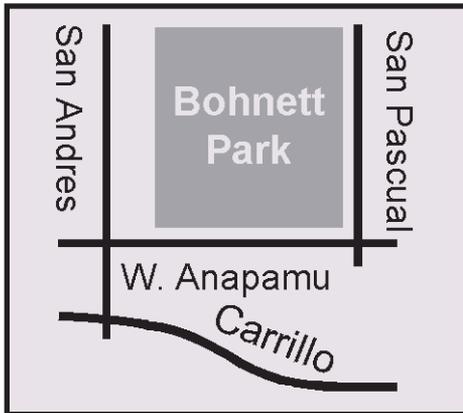
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## Creeks Division Completes First Restoration: Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park



OLD MISSION CREEK AT BOHNETT PARK has undergone a remarkable transformation! Selected as the first in a series of projects along Old Mission Creek and throughout the City of Santa Barbara, the restoration of Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park combines three key elements of restoration, water quality and education. Located in the Westside neighborhood, the restored creek provides a link to a more natural environment, and a safe and healthy place where children can play.

After removing 20 semi-truckloads of concrete, car parts, oil drums and general trash from in and along the creek, the creek channel was widened to slow down the flow of the water, reduce erosion, and increase the carrying capacity of the creek. Two low flow portions of the creek, or bioswales, were created to naturally filter pollutants. Creek crossings of stone now make the creek safer to cross, bringing a natural feel to the creek and protecting the banks

from foot traffic. Constant water quality monitoring will ensure that the creek is safe for the children and families that use the park. A dedicated restoration caretaker will tend to the growth of the native plants, assist with community planting and restoration maintenance days, and serve as a knowledgeable resource to park visitors.



### Get involved!

- \* Interpretive tours for groups or classrooms
- \* Water quality testing
- \* Community planting of native species
- \* Creek clean-up

To learn more about the Bohnett Park restoration or to find out how you can become involved in ongoing activities, call the Creeks Division at 805-897-2658 or visit our web site: [www.sbcreeks.com](http://www.sbcreeks.com)

*Above left: The creek restoration serves as a learning laboratory for local school children on creek ecosystems and pollution.*

*Above right: Community volunteers help to replant the restoration area with native grasses and plants.*

*Photos by Daniel Huecker.*



# Eastside Neighborhood Project

## Saturday, June 12

### 9 am to 1 pm



### Beautification of Sycamore Creek

Meet at the Cacique Street Bridge

Interested in helping clean-up and beautify Sycamore Creek? Would you like to know more about native plants and riparian habitats? Come and enjoy spring along Sycamore Creek at Cacique Street. Get to know your neighbors while helping to remove weeds and prepare the creek for new native plants. For all ages – children and adults – bring the family. Bring your gloves and we'll supply the hand tools. Refreshments will be provided.

**Questions: 730-1345**

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### Embellecimiento de Sycamore Creek

Reunirse en el puente de la calle de Cacique

¿Interesado en ayudar a limpiar y embellecer a Sycamore Creek? ¿Le gustaría saber más sobre las plantas nativas y los arroyos? Le invitamos a disfrutar la primavera por Sycamore Creek en Cacique Street. Conozca a sus vecinos mientras ayude a embellecer el arroyo. Para todas las edades—niños y adultos—que venga toda la familia. Trae sus guantes, nosotros tendremos las herramientas y los refrescos.

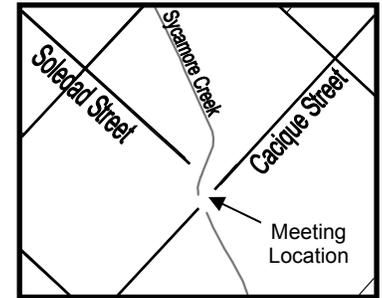
**Para más información: 897-2606**

## Eastside Neighborhood Community Meeting

**Tuesday, July 20, 2004**

**6 pm**

**Location: Cacique Street at Sycamore Creek**



### Community meeting to discuss proposals for tree trimming and removal on City property next to Sycamore Creek

As part of the Eastside Neighborhood Project, the City's Creeks Division has been asked to trim and remove some of the Palm and Eucalyptus trees on City property adjacent to Sycamore Creek. The purpose of the Eastside Neighborhood Project is to increase public safety, beautify the neighborhood, and enhance the creek. New trees and shrubs would be planted if any trees are removed. The meeting will be held outdoors on Cacique Street at Sycamore Creek.

Please attend the meeting to provide your input on the tree trimming and removal proposal.

**Questions: 897-2658**

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### Reunión de la comunidad para platicar propuestas para el ajuste y el retiro de árboles en la propiedad de la ciudad al lado de Sycamore Creek.

Como parte del proyecto de la Comunidad de Eastside, se ha pedido que la División de Arroyos (Creeks Division) ajuste y quite algunos de los árboles de la palma y del eucalipto dentro de la propiedad de la ciudad y al lado de Sycamore Creek. El propósito del proyecto de la Comunidad de Eastside es aumentar seguridad pública, embellecer la vecinidad, y mejorar el arroyo. Se plantará nuevos árboles y arbustos si hay necesidad de sacar cualquier árbol. La reunión será al aire libre en la calle de Cacique y Sycamore Creek.

Favor de asistir para dar su opinión sobre a la propuesta del ajuste y del retiro de los árboles.

**Preguntas: 897-2606**



W e s t s i d e  
O l d M i s s i o n  
C r e e k  
C l e a n u p

**VOLUNTEER DAY**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 14**  
**1:00-4:00 PM**

Corner of San Pascual & Figueroa Streets  
One block down from the Westside Boys & Girls Club

Come learn about the plants and animals of Old Mission Creek and help to make it a cleaner and a safer place

Snacks and drinks will be provided

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL:  
**WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER 963-7567**



A project co-sponsored by:

- Santa Barbara Beautiful
- City Creeks Program
- Community Services

[www.sbparksandrecreation.com](http://www.sbparksandrecreation.com) (805) 564-5418



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**DÍA DE VOLUNTARIOS  
SÁBADO, 14 DE AGOSTO  
1:00-4:00 DE LA TARDE**

Esquina San Pacual y Figueroa  
Una cuadra del Westside Boys & Girls Club

Venga y aprenda sobre las plantas y animales del Arroyo Vieja Misión y ayude a hacer el arroyo un lugar más limpio y seguro

Meriendas y bebidas serán proveídas

PARA MAYOR INFORMACIÓN, LLAME AL:  
**WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER 963-7567**



Proyecto co-patrocinado por:

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# Mission Creek Walk & Talk

## Neighborhood Meeting

Wednesday, May 11, 6pm

**What:** Take a walk along Mission Creek and join us to share ideas on how to improve Mission Creek between upper State Street and Oak Park.

**Where:** Meet at the Red Cross Building, 2707 State Street, Classroom A

**Contact:** City Creeks Division, 897-2658



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# Saturday, Nov. 22

## 1-3 pm

### Bohnett Park



## Community Planting Day

Come see what's taking root at Bohnett Park. Learn about native plant species and then dig in as we improve Old Mission Creek. Plants, tools, snacks and activities for all ages will be provided.

Bring a friend, it's free!

## Día de Plantación Comunitaria

Vamos a ver qué está creciendo en Bohnett Park! Aprenderemos sobre plantas nativas y después manos a la obra para mejorar el area de Old Mission Creek.

Habrán plantas, herramientas, refrescos y actividades para todas las edades.

Traigan a sus amistades – es gratis!

**Information (805) 897-2658**

Bohnett Park is located at San Pascual  
and West Anapamu Street



# Arroyo Burro Estuary and Mesa Creek Restoration

## Volunteer Day

### Help Gather Native Plants for the Creek Restoration

Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>

1:30 - 4:00 pm

This summer, the City of Santa Barbara will begin a restoration project at the Arroyo Burro Estuary. The project will restore Mesa Creek, increase wildlife habitat, improve water quality and provide better access between Arroyo Burro Beach and the Douglas Family Preserve. Come help collect and protect native plants before the restoration work begins.



- **Collect and protect native plants**
- **Tour the restoration project**
- **Meet at the upper Arroyo Burro Beach parking lot**
- **Bring sturdy shoes and work gloves**

For more information call the City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division at 897-2658



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# Sunday, April 25 1-4 pm Bohnett Park



## Community Celebration

**Come and enjoy spring along Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park. Join us for snacks and games of *lotería* while kids travel around the park with their Creek Passport and learn about water testing, native plants and reducing pollution. Collect all the stamps for a special gift. Bring a friend, it's free and open to everyone!**

## Celebración de la Comunidad

**Venga y disfrute de la primavera junto al Old Mission Creek en el Bohnett Park. Reúnase con nosotros para comer unas botanas y para jugar unos juegos de *lotería* mientras los niños visitan por el parque con su Creek Passport y aprenden sobre los análisis del agua, las plantas nativas y sobre como reducir la contaminación.**

**Junte todas las estampillas para un regalo especial.**

**¡Traiga a un amigo o amiga, es gratis y todos están invitados!**



**This event is sponsored by the City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division under Measure B, which is funded through hotel visitors. For more information call 897-2658.**



**Old Mission Creek Clean-up  
 at Bohnett Park**

**Help us restore the creek and clean up the park. Learn about the restoration project.**

**Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup>  
 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**La Limpieza de Old Mission Creek  
 en Bohnett Park**

**Aprenda sobre el proyecto de restauración. Ayúdenos a restaurar el arroyo y limpiar el parque.**

**Sábado, 11 de octubre  
 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

The restoration of Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park will reduce pollution in creek water, restore native riparian habitat, and provide safe access to the park. The project includes:

- Bioswales to filter creek water
- New sycamore, willow and oak trees
- Native plants and grasses
- Stairs, paths, lighting and creek crossings

La restauracion del Old Mision Creek en Bohnett Park reducirá la contaminación de las aguas del arroyo, restaurará el medio ambiente nativo de las orillas y proveerá un acceso seguro al parque. El proyecto incluye:

- Filtros orgánicos para filtrar el agua del arroyo
- Nuevos árboles de sicamores, sauces y robles
- Plantas y hierbas nativos
- Escaleras, senderos, iluminación y cruces para el arroyo

*Participate in the project and new park.*

*There will be a Community Planting Day in November 2003*



*Particpe en el proyecto y nuevo parque.*

*Habrá un acto de plantación de arboles y plantas por la comunidad en noviembre 2003*

For information:  
 George Johnson (805) 897-1958



This **MONDAY**  
at **3:00** in the  
Eastside Library

It's theatrical,  
It's educational,  
It's theater gone  
**WILD!**

The Creeks Program of the City of Santa Barbara and the Santa Barbara Zoo proudly present a special performance of Theater Gone Wild this Monday at 3:00 at the Eastside Library.

Beyond theater, beyond education, the adventurous stories and remarkable animal costumes created exclusively for Theater Gone Wild will motivate audiences to discover the wild. This special and FREE presentation from Theater Gone Wild will feature a cast of wild actors, stunning costumes, amusing masks, music, and dancing.

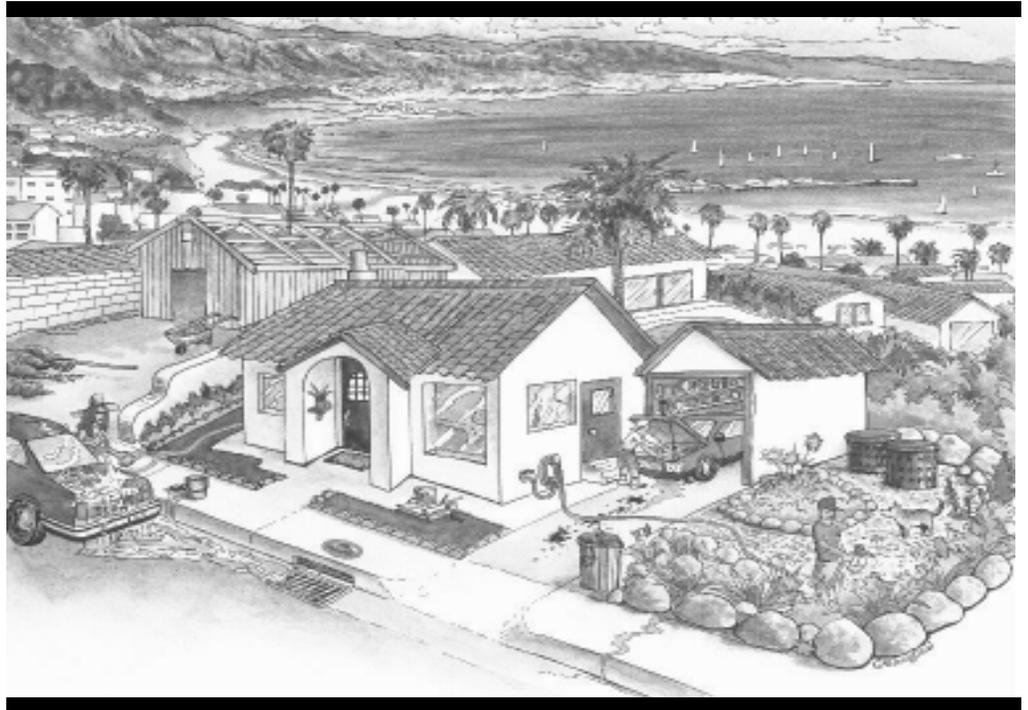
This performance is part of a community effort to clean-up Sycamore Creek on Saturday, October 11 from 9am – noon, with the help of the City of Santa Barbara Creeks Program, the Housing Authority and the Santa Barbara Zoo. Call 897-2658 for more information.



# Annual Water Quality Forum

# ***The Ocean Begins on Your Street***

***We're all part of  
the solution -  
find out what you  
can do to help!***



**Wednesday, October 8, 2003**

**Faulkner Gallery, Santa Barbara Public Library**

**40 East Anapamu Street**

**5:30 to 7:30 pm**

- ◆ ***A chance to share your ideas!***
- ◆ ***Displays & exhibits***
- ◆ ***Tips on***
  - ◆ ***household hazardous waste disposal***
  - ◆ ***erosion control***
  - ◆ ***managing landscape chemicals***
  - ◆ ***pet duty, and more***
- ◆ ***Updates on City & County water quality programs***
- ◆ ***Refreshments***

**Call 897-2658 for more information**

**Sponsored by the City & County of Santa Barbara**

# Eastside Neighborhood Project

## Saturday, August 14

### 9 am to 12 pm



### Beautification of Sycamore Creek

Meet at the Cacique Street Bridge

Interested in helping beautify Sycamore Creek? Join your neighbors for the second community planting day – We have 300 native trees and shrubs to plant along Sycamore Creek at Cacique Street. For all ages – children and adults – bring your family! Wear sturdy shoes, and we'll provide the gloves and hand tools.

**Questions: 730-1345**

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### Embellcimiento de Sycamore Creek

Reunirse en el puente de la calle de Cacique

¿Interesado en ayudar a embellecer a Sycamore Creek? Reunirse con sus vecinos por la segunda día de plantación comunitaria. Tenemos 300 árboles y arbustos nativos a plantar por Sycamore Creek y Cacique Street. Para todas las edades—niños y adultos—que venga toda la familia. Nosotros tendremos las herramientas y guantes.

**Para más información: 897-2606**

# Mission Creek

## Neighborhood Meeting

Wednesday, May 11, 6pm

**What:** Take a walk along Mission Creek and join us to share ideas on how to improve Mission Creek between upper State Street and Oak Park.

**Where:** Meet at the Red Cross Building, 27XX State Street

**Contact:** City Creeks Division, 897-2658



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# Eastside Neighborhood Project

## *Sycamore Creek Clean-up*

Meet at Cacique Street and Soledad

Interested in helping beautify Sycamore Creek? Join your neighbors for a community planting day. For all ages—children and adults. We will provide tools.

*Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> 9am-12:00*

## *Limpieza de Sycamore Creek*

Reunirse en la calle Cacique y Soledad

¿Interesado en ayudar a embellecer a Sycamore Creek? Reunirse con sus vecinos por un día de plantación comunitaria. Para todas las edades—niños y adultos—que venga toda la familia. Nosotros tendremos las herramientas.

*City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division, 897-1958*



# Sycamore Creek Clean-up

## *Beautification of Sycamore Creek*

Meet at corner of Liberty and Soledad Street

Interested in helping beautify Sycamore Creek? Join your neighbors for a community planting day. For all ages—children and adults. We will provide tools and refreshments.

Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 10am-12:00

## *Embelllecimiento de Sycamore Creek*

Reunirse en la esquina de Liberty y Soledad Street

¿Interesado en ayudar a embellecer a Sycamore Creek? Reunirse con sus vecinos por un día de plantación comunitaria. Para todas las edades—niños y adultos—que venga toda la familia. Nosotros tendremos las herramientas y refrescos.

*City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division, 897-1958*



# Mission Creek Restoration

## *Planting Celebration*

*Saturday November 5, 11am to 1pm*

***What:*** Celebrate the clean-up of Mission Creek and help plant new native trees. Pizza and refreshments will be provided.

***Where:*** Meet along 2700 block of Vernon Road at Mission Creek.

***Contact:*** City Creeks Division, 897-1958



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# Old Mission Creek Restoration at Bohnett Park



Community volunteers helped to replant the restoration area with over 3,000 native plants



Reconstructed creek banks increase the riparian habitat for plants and animals



New bioswales naturally filter out pollutants by microbial and plant actions



Creek crossings and paths improve access while protecting the creek



Tours, field trips and workshops promote learning about creeks and water quality

# Neighborhood Creek Projects

Communities working to improve their creeks



**ARROYO BURRO ESTUARY** Everyone is invited to help gather native plants and tour the site as we begin the restoration project this summer.

## Upcoming Events:

**April 30<sup>th</sup>:** Gather native plants at Arroyo Burro Estuary from 1:30 to 4pm

**May 11<sup>th</sup>:** Creek Walk and Community Dialog along Mission Creek at upper State Street at 6pm

Learn more about these events or contact the Creeks Division at 897-2658 or [www.sbcreeks.com](http://www.sbcreeks.com)



**OLD MISSION CREEK** Teen workers removed thousands of pounds of debris including shopping carts, a washer and nearly an entire car from around the creek.



**SYCAMORE CREEK** Community members worked to remove invasive weeds and trash, and replant with hundreds of native plants.

# Creek Stewardship Projects

## Community Planting Days at Sycamore Creek

Volunteers lined up to participate in a "Creek Clean Up" at Sycamore Creek on Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at Cacique Street on the Eastside and on August 13<sup>th</sup> at Liberty Street on the lower Eastside. The events, sponsored by the City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division, focused on restoring urban creeks since much of the debris and pollution that contaminates our ocean and beaches originate inland.



The first step was to remove invasive exotic weeds and trash from the sites that have accumulated over the past years. Glass bottles, fishing poles and diapers were among some of the trash found. Prior to the community event, the Streets Division removed a large piece of sheet metal lodged in the creek bank. After preparation, volunteers set native plants in the soil and watered them. Some of the native plants include the Sticky Monkey Flower, California Rose and the Sycamore.

Sticky Monkey Flower



*Above left:* A volunteer plants on the upper region of the creek bank. *Above:* Photo of a lower Eastside resident and her daughter. *Below left:* A Lower Eastside resident waters a Sticky Monkey Flower with his daughter.



The Creeks Division provided hand tools, gloves and watering cans to volunteers. After a few hours of planting, volunteers stopped for refreshments. Families and children of all ages assisted in this community effort. Restoration of the sites will help prevent erosion of the creek banks, mitigate flooding and improve the quality of community spaces and trails.

City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division, 897-1958

# 8th Annual Creek Week

October 6 - October 14, 2007



mission creek native planting san roque creek  
sycamore creek community building  
clean creeks healthy beaches  
arroyo burro

## Saturday

October 6

10:00am - 1:00pm

## Native Planting Workshop at Stevens Park

Carol Bornstein of the Botanic Garden will give tips on native planting at this community planting day. Meet at Stevens Park, 258 Canon Dr. Call 897-2606.

9:45am - 12:00pm

## Creek Clean-Ups in Carpinteria

Meet at 5400 6th Street to help clean up Carpinteria, Franklin and Santa Monica creeks. Wear boots. Call Carpinteria Creek Committee at 684-2525.

## Sunday

October 7

10:00am - 12:30pm

## Water Quality Monitoring

With Santa Barbara Channelkeeper's Stream Team. Meet at the K-Mart parking lot in Goleta. Pizza provided. Please RSVP at 563-3377 x0.

## Thursday

October 11

5:00pm - 6:30pm

## Enjoy a Bird Walk at the Harbor

Bring binoculars and meet at 301 W. Cabrillo Boulevard. Call Santa Barbara Audubon at 566-2191.

6:00pm - 8:00pm

## Marine Debris "Creeks to the Sea" Community Forum

Join guest speakers from Jean-Michel Cousteau's *Ocean Futures Society* and the *Algalita Marine Research Foundation*. Hear stories and see footage of expeditions to remote islands and learn about the impacts of marine debris. Cabrillo Pavilion, 1118 E. Cabrillo Boulevard. Refreshments provided. Call 897-2606.

## Saturday

October 13

8:00am - 12:00pm

## Clean-Up Local Creeks and Beaches

Help collect trash before it makes its way into the ocean!

8:00am - 12:00pm

**Mission Lagoon** - Meet at the lawn east of Stearns Wharf, wear work clothes and waterproof shoes. Call Urban Creeks Council at 968-3000.

9:00am - 11:00am

**San Jose Creek Bird Walk and Clean-Up** - Bird walk at 8am. Meet at bridge at Berkeley Road. Creek Clean-Up at 10am. Call City of Goleta at 961-7560.

9:00am - 12:00pm

**Beach Clean-Up** - Word of Life participants will clean Leadbetter Beach.

10:00am - 12:00pm

**Hendry's Beach Clean-Up** - Help the Surfrider Foundation clean-up Hendry's.

10:00am - 12:00pm

**Hospital Creek Clean-Up and Water Quality Sampling** - Meet at the end of Turnpike Road near the bioswale. Call Project Clean Water at 568-3561.

10:00am - 12:00pm

**Devereux Creek** - Meet where Phelps Road crosses the creek. Call 568-3561.

**Isla Vista Beach** - Meet at the Embarcadero Stairs in Isla Vista. Call 568-3561.

## Sunday

October 14

10:00am - 1:00pm

## Native Planting at Arroyo Burro

Plant native plants at the site of the Arroyo Burro Estuary and Mesa Creek Restoration Project. Pizza provided. Meet at end of Arroyo Burro overflow parking lot, 2981 Cliff Drive. Call 897-2606.

12:00pm - 4:00pm

## Art From Scrap Green School's Watershed Day

Come to the Watershed Resource Center for family fun, including water bugs and microscopes, water testing, art, and more! 2981 Cliff Dr. Call 884-0459 x16.

## Ongoing Creek Events in October

-Check out the "Speak for the Creek" display of children's creek art and poetry in the Children's Wing of the Central Library (Opening Reception October 4, 4-6pm).

-On October 17, 6-8pm, you're invited to a public showing of multi-media creek projects created by Youth CineMedia at Muddy Waters, 508 E. Haley St.

-Also as part of Creek Week, the Housing Authority's Splash 2 Trash program is organizing creek activities for local youth.

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# Marine Debris "Creeks to the Sea"

A Free Community Forum

**Thursday, October 11, 2007 from 6:00-8:00 pm**

Cabrillo Pavillion, 1118 E Cabrillo Blvd.  
Refreshments Provided



Holly Lohuis - Photo: Nancy Marr, Ocean Futures Society



Dr. Marcus Eriksen

- Hear about expeditions to remote areas of the world and the problems with marine debris in the North Pacific Gyre.
- Watch incredible video footage of the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands in "Voyage to Kure" created by Jean-Michel Cousteau's *Ocean Futures Society*.
- See a collection of plastics gathered from these remote islands, representing 12 different languages.
- Check out the "Cola Kayak," a plastic bottle boat Dr. Eriksen sailed down the LA River.

## Guest Speakers ~

**Holly Lohuis** - Marine Biologist and diver with Jean-Michel Cousteau's *Ocean Futures Society*

**Marcus Eriksen** - Ph.D. Director of Research & Education  
*Algalita Marine Research Foundation*



Photo of Jean-Michel Cousteau on Laysan Island by Nancy Marr, Ocean Futures Society

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SB Creek Week 2007

# “SPEAK FOR THE CREEK”

*COLLAGE and POETRY*

*A MIXED-MEDIA EXHIBITION*

*By participants in*

**RAP**

*(Recreation Afterschool Programs) at*

*Monroe Elementary School*

*Cesar Chavez Charter School*

*Roosevelt Elementary School*



**Oct. 1 – 31, 2007**

**Central Library 40 E. Anapamu St.**

**(Children’s Department)**

**Reception Oct. 4, 2007 4 - 6 PM**

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## Clean Sweep

**A Measure B Program**

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We will begin to rejuvenate the quality of our water by sweeping the streets in the neighborhood that drains into Mission Creek.

Your help and cooperation is needed.



## Clean Sweep

A Measure B Program



The streets in the map illustrated above, where the storm drains flow directly to Mission Creek will be swept weekly. Please check street signs for exact times.

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# Caution!

Do not play or swim in this creek water.  
It may contain bacteria that could cause illness.



# ¡Cuidado!

No juege o nade en el agua de este arroyo.  
Puede contener bacteria que causar enfermedades.



For information:  
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Keep our creeks clean



# Mission Creek



Flows to the ocean

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# Sycamore Creek

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# Arroyo Burro

Flows to the ocean



**City of Santa Barbara  
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**HELP KEEP SANTA BARBARA  
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Abandoned Vehicles (Public property).....	897-2413
ABOP (Antifreeze, Batteries, Oil, & Paint) Information Hotline.....	560-7505
Airport Noise Complaint Hotline.....	967-1900
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Park Ranger.....	897-1941
Police Department: 24 hr Non-Emergency.....	897-2300
24 hr Dispatch.....	897-2410
Tip Line (Anonymous).....	569-COPS (2677)
Pothole & Sidewalk Hotline.....	897-2630
RADON Information.....	(800) 745-7236
Sand Bags.....	564-5411
Sewer Problems (Water/Streets).....	564-5413
Shopping Cart Hotline.....	1-800-252-4613
Street Lights (24 hr recording).....	564-5416
Street Sweeping.....	897-2541
Traffic Signals (Public Works).....	564-5583
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Message Hotline.....	564-5587
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# Santa Barbara Storm Drain Marker



# How would you like to live in a community of over 50,000 residents with no sewer system?

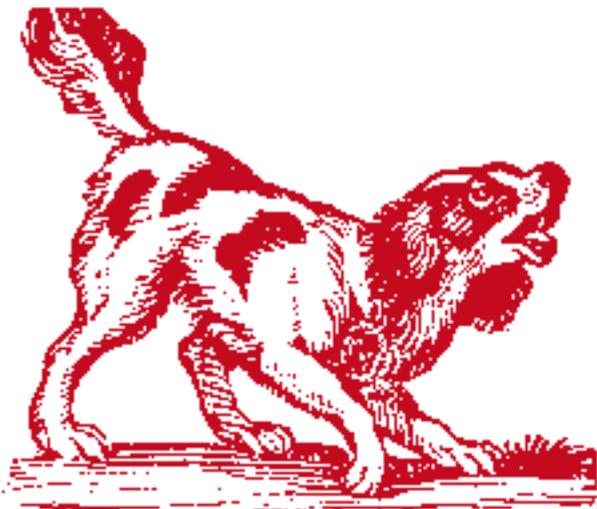
Over 50,000 dogs live in Santa Barbara County, and of course, do not use the toilet.

Pet waste washes into our creeks and oceans if pet owners do not dispose of it properly.

When it rains, or sometimes during irrigation, animal waste left uncovered or stored improperly near creeks and storm drains can flow, untreated, directly to the ocean.

Animal waste contains bacteria, which is detected in oceanwater sampling and can trigger beach advisories.

When the bacterial level in ocean water at the beach gets too high, the beach is posted with warning signs to protect the public.



## Solutions...

### On a walk

Picking up after your pet ensures that waste will not wash into catch basins that drain to creeks and eventually to the ocean. Also, picking up after your pet on the beach stops the direct flow of waste to the ocean. **Remember, in public parks it is illegal not to pick up your dog's waste.**

- Always carry a plastic bag with you when you take your dog for a walk. Although some parks and beaches provide plastic bags, don't assume you will find a public dispenser.
- Plastic grocery and vegetable bags work well. Place your hand in the bag, pick up the waste. Turn the bag inside out, and then drop it in a trash receptacle.
- Commercial "scoopers" can also be purchased to make proper disposal of pet waste even easier. Some are disposable and available with biodegradable, sealable bags. Check pet stores and catalogs.
- Urge your neighborhood or community organization to sponsor a mutt mitt station. Call County Parks (568-2461) or City of Santa Barbara (564-5418) for more information.

### Clean up at home

Pet owners have many different ways of cleaning up after their pets at home. Here are a few that are creek- and ocean-friendly:

- Smaller quantities of pet waste can be raked or turned into the soil of lawns or gardens to decompose slowly.
- Larger amounts should be scooped and placed in the trash. One method suggested for this is to place a plastic bag in a 5 gallon trash can with a lid. When you pick up dog droppings in your yard, put them in that trash can, then cover them with a sprinkling of powdered lime (available at building supply stores) and close the lid. Each time you clean up the yard and add droppings to the container, add more lime. When the container is full, tie the bag closed and put it in your regular trash container.
- A more innovative method, which not only disposes of pet waste but also creates fertilizer, is to install a disposal system, commercially available through pet owners' and gardening catalogs. These systems use bacterial and enzymatic cultures. These cultures reduce the waste to a liquid, which is then absorbed into the soil.

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## Would you believe...?

### MYTH #1

**Runoff from streets and storm drains is treated at wastewater treatment plants.**

**FACT** Storm drain runoff in Santa Barbara County is not treated and goes directly into our creeks — what goes into the storm drain ends up at the beach. That is why it is important to insure that pollutants such as animal waste, automotive fluids, garbage and chemicals do not end up in storm drains.

### MYTH #2

**Most creek pollution comes from a few big polluters.**

**FACT** The well-known stories about environmental problems tend to focus on big, recognizable targets such as industrial factories, leaking toxic waste dumps, and oil spills. As a result, people often forget that the majority of water pollution comes from small sources — especially at the household level.

### MYTH #3

**The impact of one household doesn't really matter.**

**FACT** Although an individual home might contribute only minor amounts of pollution, the combined effect of an entire neighborhood or city is serious.

### MYTH #4

**Creek contamination and beach postings are usually caused by chemical pollution such as paints, solvents, and motor oils.**

**FACT** Chemical contamination is always a concern. Yet, bacterial contamination from animal waste, litter, leaking septic tanks, garbage, and green waste also threaten creeks, beaches, wildlife and your health. Beach postings are actually triggered by bacterial contamination.

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Community Environmental Council  
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- Santa Barbara County Project Clean Water:  
805-568-3440  
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## A Dog Owner's Duty



Part of a unified community effort to clean up Santa Barbara County's creeks and beaches



## So what's the problem?

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# KEEP OUR CREEKS CLEAN



## LITTER POLLUTES

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# Creek Water Quality Improvement Project

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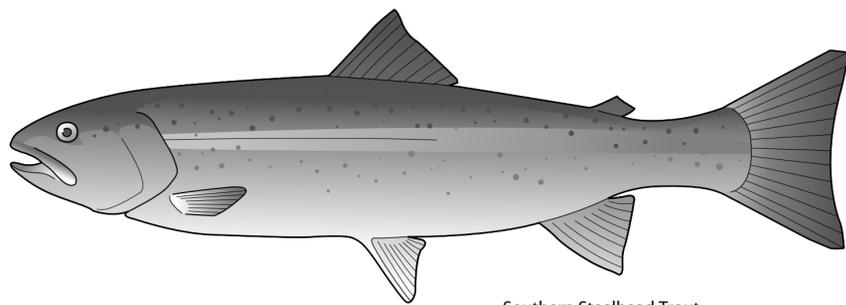
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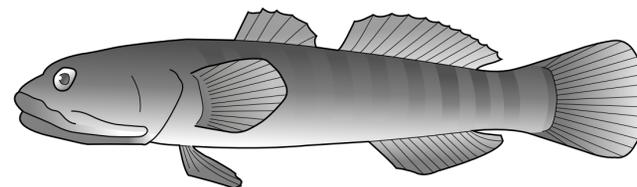
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# Please Help Us Protect The Lagoon

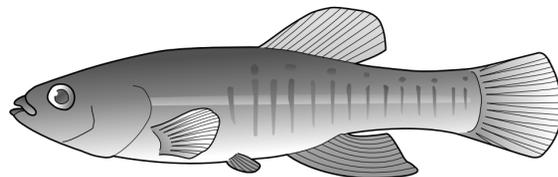
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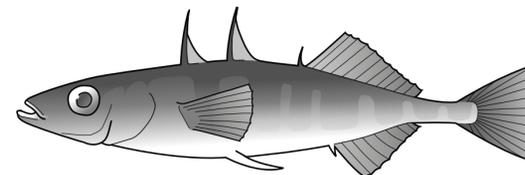
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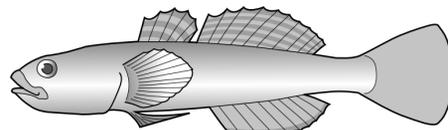
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Threespine Stickleback  
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Tidewater Goby  
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# Arroyo Burro Estuary and Mesa Creek Restoration

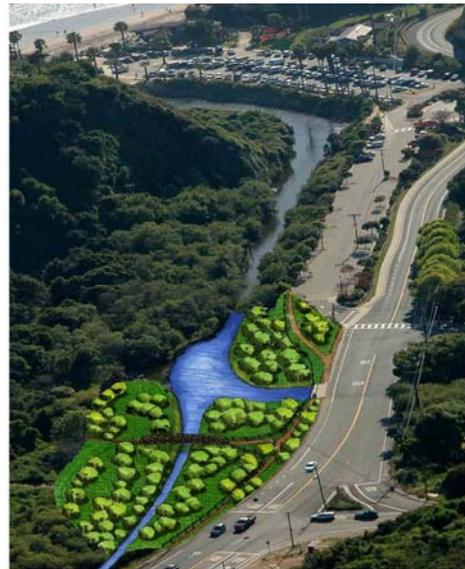
Project Update #1 - January 2006

Dear neighbors of Mesa Creek and Arroyo Burro Beach,

The City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division will be constructing the Arroyo Burro Estuary and Mesa Creek Restoration Project in 2006. Located at the end of the Arroyo Burro Beach parking area and within the Douglas Family Preserve, the project will restore coastal estuarine, riparian and coastal sage scrub habitats and improve water quality in Mesa Creek, the estuary and at Arroyo Burro Beach.

## Project Elements:

- Removing a concrete culvert and daylighting Mesa Creek
- Stabilization of creek banks
- Expanding the estuary to benefit the endangered Tidewater Goby
- Removal of non-native plants and planting of 5,000 native plants & trees
- Fish passage enhancements to benefit the endangered Steelhead Trout
- New trails and a footbridge to the Douglas Family Preserve



ARROYO BURRO ESTUARY AND MESA CREEK RESTORATION PROJECT

## Preliminary Site Preparation

Starting in January 2006, members of the California Conservation Corp will begin to clear some of the existing vegetation along Cliff Dr. near Las Positas. This is the first stage required to restore Mesa Creek which currently flows underground in a pipe and through a concrete culvert leading to Arroyo Burro Estuary. Full construction will begin in June.

## Project Timeline

**Jan 2006: Preliminary Site Preparation**

**June 2006: Groundbreaking**

**Dec 2006: Project Completion**

For more information call the City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division at 897- 2658 or visit [www.sbcreeks.com](http://www.sbcreeks.com)



*Project funded by hotel visitors through Measure B, County of Santa Barbara Coastal Resources Enhancement Fund, California Coastal Conservancy, California Wildlife Conservation Board, California Department of Parks and Recreation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.*

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## Water Quality Improvement Project Hope Avenue Storm Drain Diversion

Construction on Santa Barbara's latest creek water quality improvement project is scheduled to begin January 2, 2006. The project will divert polluted urban runoff from the Hope Avenue storm drain, which conveys runoff from commercial areas along upper State Street and discharges the flow to Arroyo Burro Creek. This location is known to have high levels of indicator bacteria, which contribute to poor creek water quality and beach warnings at Arroyo Burro Beach.



**Project Site**

**Addressing Water Quality Concerns:** Did you know that much of the water used to water lawns, wash sidewalks, and spray parking lots, flows to storm drains and then to the creeks and ocean untreated? Some of this *urban runoff* is highly contaminated with microbial pollution. The City of Santa Barbara has received grant money from the State's Clean Beaches Initiative to reroute urban runoff at this site to the sanitary sewer system during the summer, with the ultimate goal of reducing beach closures.

**Timeline and Staging Area:** The Hope diversion is located underground in the parking lot at La Cumbre Plaza near Hope Street. The project is expected to begin on January 2, 2006 and is projected to end on January 31, 2006.

*Thanks to the La Cumbre Plaza and the Macerich Company for participating in project construction.*



For more information call: 897-2658  
or visit [www.sbcreeks.com](http://www.sbcreeks.com)

**We appreciate your patience during construction.  
Thanks for supporting clean creeks and healthy beaches!**



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# Creekside Concerns



## Out of sight, Out of mind?

Part of a unified community effort to clean up Santa Barbara County's creeks and beaches



PROJECT  
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**Anything that is dumped into a storm drain or gutter, or discarded into a creek, ends up at our beaches without being treated.**

## **Here's what you can do to protect and improve water quality:**

### **Clean Up Dog Waste**

Dog owners have many different ways of cleaning up after their pets at home. Here are a few that are creek- and ocean-friendly:

- Scoop and place pet waste in the trash.
- Commercial disposal systems, available through pet and garden supply stores and catalogs, use bacterial and enzymatic cultures. These cultures reduce the waste to a liquid, which can be used as a fertilizer.
- Place a plastic bag in a 5 gallon trash can with a lid. When you pick up dog droppings in your yard, put them in that trash can, then cover them with a sprinkling of powdered lime (available at building supply stores) and close the lid. Each time you pick up the yard and add droppings to the container, add more lime. When the container is full, tie the bag closed and put it in your regular trash container.

### **Reduce the Use of Pesticides and Fertilizers**

- First try alternatives to pesticides. Call the Community Environmental Council for more information at 963-0583.
- Don't use pesticides during the wet season as they may be carried into creeks or the ocean by the next storm. Better yet, reduce or eliminate pesticide use.
- When irrigating landscaped areas, avoid over-watering, not only to conserve water but to avoid the discharge of water, which may carry nutrients and pesticides to creeks or the ocean.
- Store pesticides and application equipment properly, and dispose of the used containers at a hazardous waste disposal facility. See the back page of this pamphlet.

### **Properly Dispose of Pesticides**

Dispose of unused pesticides and empty containers at your local hazardous waste facility. Call the Community Environmental Council at 963-0583 for facility hours and hazardous waste information.

### **Properly Dispose of Yard Waste**

Yard waste, trash and sediment, when washed down creeks, can clog storm drains and cause flooding.

Improperly disposed yard waste can also harm aquatic life by clogging the gills of fish, blocking sunlight, and raising water temperatures.

Fertilizer runoff feeds aquatic plants; the plants grow at an unnatural rate and take oxygen away from aquatic life, and the aquatic life dies.

- Compost the material to use in your garden.
- Recycle yard wastes through the curbside recycling program.
- Reduce the amount of waste generated by planting appropriately sized plants.

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### **Horse and Other Livestock Waste**

Livestock waste contains nutrients that make great fertilizer, but cause problems in creeks and the ocean. It also contains bacteria which, if found at high levels, can trigger beach postings and cause illness.

- Gather up soiled bedding and manure at least 3 times per week from stalls and paddocks.
- Place it in sturdy, insect resistant, leak-proof containers, such as plastic garbage cans with lids, fly-tight wooden or concrete storage sheds, composters, or pits or trenches lined with an impermeable layer.
- Marborg Industries will collect horse waste for composting. Call Marborg at 963-1852 to arrange for a dumpster at your stable.

### **Motor Oil**

Don't allow oil, brake fluid, transmission fluid, antifreeze, solvents or gasoline to be exposed to rainwater or leave your property.

- Used motor oil and antifreeze should be disposed of at a collection facility. For the location nearest you, call 1-800-CLEANUP.
- Catch automotive leaks with a drip pan. Repair leaks immediately.
- Clean up spills immediately with absorbent material such as kitty litter. Dispose of the absorbent as you would hazardous waste.
- Have your car's engine degreased at a commercial facility designed to handle the waste products.
- Wash your car at a car wash that recycles their waste water.

## **Would you believe...?**

### **MYTH #1**

**Runoff from streets and storm drains is treated at wastewater treatment plants.**

**FACT** Storm drain runoff in Santa Barbara County is not treated and goes directly into our creeks — what goes into the storm drain ends up at the beach. That is why it is important to insure that pollutants such as animal waste, automotive fluids, garbage and chemicals do not end up in storm drains.

### **MYTH #2**

**Most creek pollution comes from a few big polluters.**

**FACT** The well-known stories about environmental problems tend to focus on big, recognizable targets such as industrial factories, leaking toxic waste dumps, and oil spills. As a result, people often forget that the majority of water pollution comes from small sources — especially at the household level.

### **MYTH #3**

**The impact of one household doesn't really matter.**

**FACT** Although an individual home might contribute only minor amounts of pollution, the combined effect of an entire neighborhood or city is serious.

### **MYTH #4**

**Creek contamination and beach postings are usually caused by chemical pollution such as paints, solvents, and motor oils.**

**FACT** Chemical contamination is always a concern. Yet, bacterial contamination from animal waste, litter, leaking septic tanks, garbage, and green waste also threaten creeks, beaches, wildlife and your health. Beach postings are actually triggered by bacterial contamination.

# For Clean Creeks and Healthy Beaches...



**always pick up after your pet.**

Pet waste pollutes our creeks and ocean with harmful virus and bacteria. Through rains and water runoff, waste from dogs, cats and horses is carried into our creeks and ocean where it can make swimmers, surfers and sea animals sick.

To learn more, contact the City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division.



897-2658 or [sbcreeks.com](http://sbcreeks.com)  
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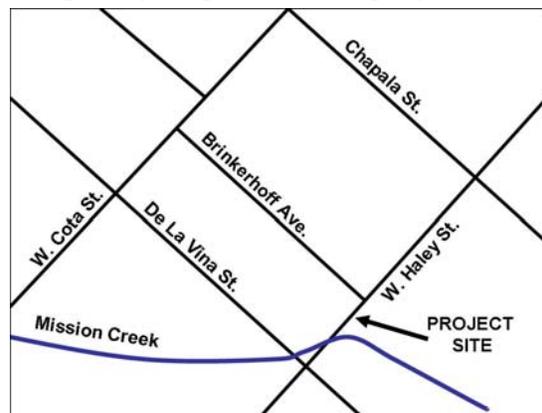


# Water Quality Improvement Project

## Haley Street Storm Drain Diversion

**Location:** Haley St. between De La Vina St. and Brinkerhoff Ave.

Construction on Santa Barbara's latest creek water quality improvement project is scheduled for late January through February 2006. Throughout construction, the westbound traffic and parking lanes will be closed on Haley St. between Brinkerhoff Ave. and De La Vina St. The eastbound driving lane of Haley St. will be closed periodically during construction.



The project will divert polluted urban runoff from the Haley Street storm drain, which conveys runoff from the downtown area and discharges to Mission Creek. The City of Santa Barbara has received grant money from the State's Clean Beaches Initiative to reroute runoff to the sanitary sewer system during the summer, with the ultimate goal of improving water quality and reducing beach closures.



Thank you for your patience during construction!

**Contact:** City Creeks Division, 897-2658

**“Help Keep Our Creeks  
and Ocean Clean”**



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## Water Quality Improvement Project Hope Avenue Storm Drain Diversion

Construction on Santa Barbara's latest creek water quality improvement project is scheduled to begin January 2, 2006. The project will divert polluted urban runoff from the Hope Avenue storm drain, which conveys runoff from commercial areas along upper State Street and discharges the flow to Arroyo Burro Creek. This location is known to have high levels of indicator bacteria, which contribute to poor creek water quality and beach warnings at Arroyo Burro Beach.



**Project Site**

**Addressing Water Quality Concerns:** Did you know that much of the water used to water lawns, wash sidewalks, and spray parking lots, flows to storm drains and then to the creeks and ocean untreated? Some of this *urban runoff* is highly contaminated with microbial pollution. The City of Santa Barbara has received grant money from the State's Clean Beaches Initiative to reroute urban runoff at this site to the sanitary sewer system during the summer, with the ultimate goal of reducing beach closures.

**Timeline and Staging Area:** The Hope diversion is located underground in the parking lot at La Cumbre Plaza near Hope Street. The project is expected to begin on January 2, 2006 and is projected to end on January 31, 2006.

*Thanks to the La Cumbre Plaza and the Macerich Company for participating in project construction.*



**For more information call: 897-2658  
or visit [www.sbcreeks.com](http://www.sbcreeks.com)**

**We appreciate your patience during construction.  
Thanks for supporting clean creeks and healthy beaches!**



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# Arroyo Burro Estuary and Mesa Creek Restoration



Remove culvert to daylight Mesa Creek



Arroyo Burro Estuary is located next to Arroyo Burro Beach and the Douglas Family Preserve



Increase estuary and riparian habitat, and create a footbridge and trail connecting to the Douglas Family Preserve



Remove invasive non-native plants and replant with natives

## Project Schedule:

**April 2005: Native Plant Salvage**

**Jan 2006: Preliminary Site Prep**

**June 2006: Restoration Begins**

To learn more about this project, contact George Johnson at 897-1958. To add your name to our mailing list or to learn more about the Creeks Division call 897-2658 or go to [www.sbcreeks.com](http://www.sbcreeks.com).



Create a fish ladder to provide passage for steelhead trout at Cliff Drive Bridge

# Water Quality Improvement Projects

Reduce trash and sediment \* Remove pathogens/bacteria \* Improve stormwater treatment



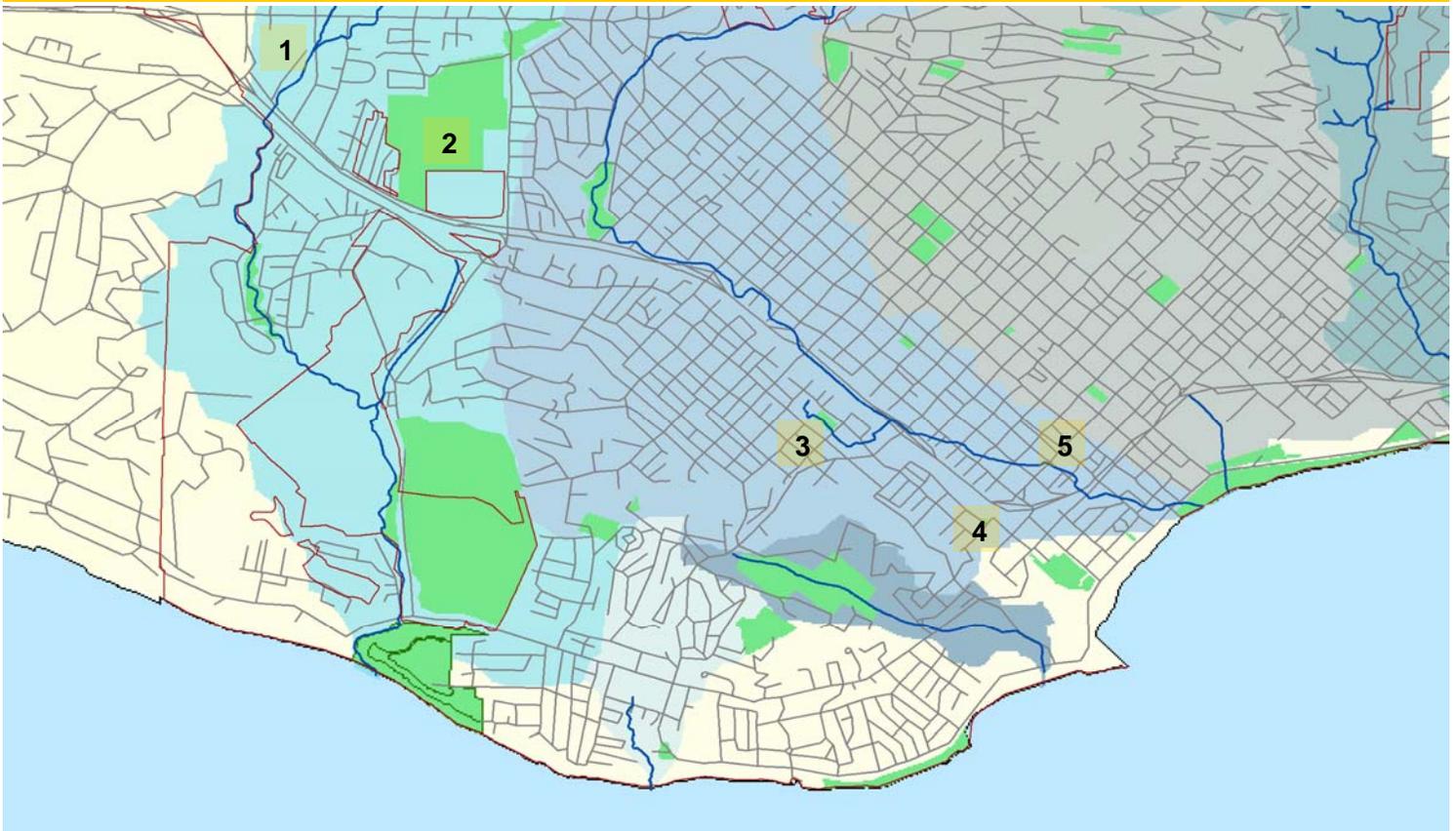
1. Hope Diversion to Sewer



2. Las Positas Stormwater Detention

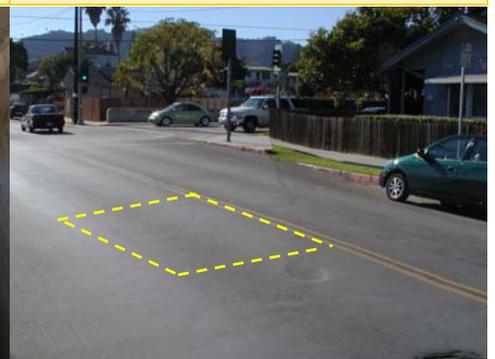


3. Westside UV Facility



4. Stormdrain Filters

5. Haley Diversion to Sewer





# IT ALL FLOWS TO THE OCEAN

Oil and detergents flow into storm drains,  
which flow directly to creeks and the ocean.

**Wash your car on grass  
or gravel to absorb the  
water, or take it to a car  
wash where the water  
gets treated.**



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# IT ALL FLOWS TO THE OCEAN

Fertilizer gets washed into storm drains, which flow directly to creeks and the ocean. This causes algae to grow, which uses up oxygen that fish need to survive.

**If you fertilize, please follow directions and use sparingly.**



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# IT ALL FLOWS TO THE OCEAN

Pet waste and bacteria gets washed into storm drains which flow directly to creeks and the ocean.

**Thank you for picking up  
after your pet, every time.**



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arroyos  
drenaje de la calle  
contaminación  
playa



# Ayuda a Mantener Nuestras Playas y Arroyos Limpios

¿Por que es importante recoger basura, y asegurarse que aceites, jabones y químicos no entren al drenaje de la calle?



*Para que nuestras familias puedan disfrutar playas limpias y saludables.*

**CELEBRANDO SANTA BARBARA**

[www.sbcreeks.com](http://www.sbcreeks.com)

Para reportar polución en los drenajes pluviales o arroyos, llame al 897-2688

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# Steven's Park Stewardship

It all flows to the ocean...



- ✓ **Native Plants**
- ✓ **Creek Education**
- ✓ **Volunteer Opportunities**
- ✓ **Youth Participation**



# Thank You!

The City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division & Santa Barbara County Project Cleanwater would like to thank the more than 70 volunteers and local non-profit groups who helped clean up our creeks & beaches on April 19, 2008. We estimate that we collected over 200 lbs of trash.

**SB Urban Creeks Council**  
**UCSB Coastal Fund**  
**Channel Keepers**  
**Surfrider**  
**Albertson's**  
**Mesa Lane Residents**



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[www.sbprojectcleanwater.org](http://www.sbprojectcleanwater.org)

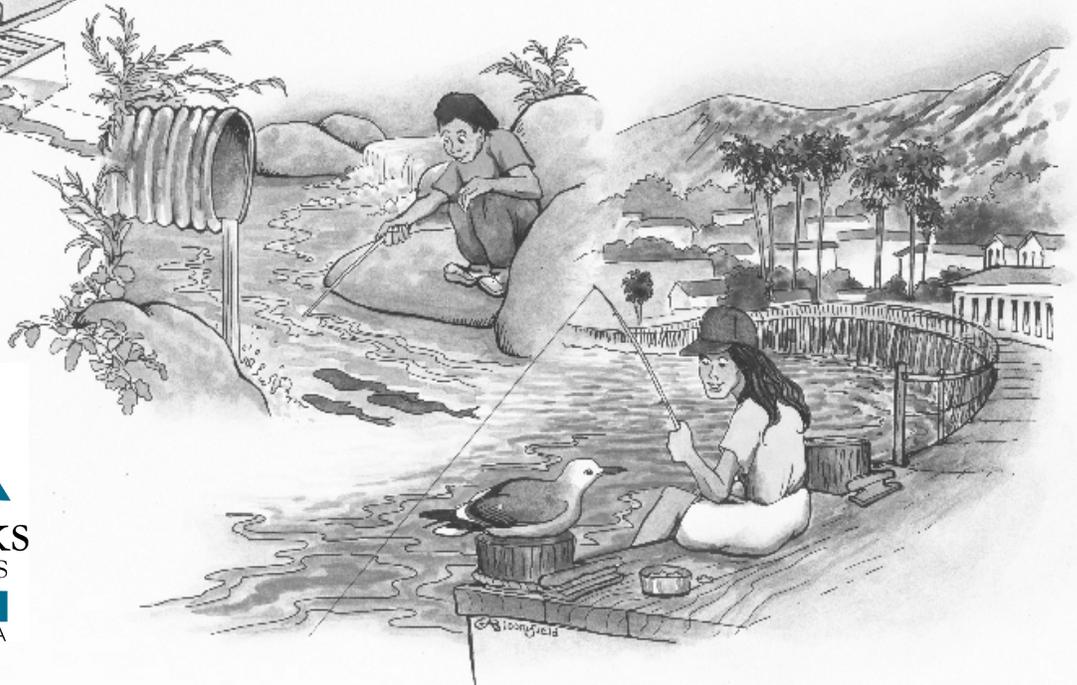


# It's easy to employ clean water habits at home to protect our creeks and beaches:

- Use mulch instead of herbicides to reduce weeds and conserve water
- Use fertilizers sparingly and choose less toxic pesticides
- Don't litter! Better yet, throw away litter you find
- Set your sprinklers to the most efficient setting
- Properly dispose of used paint and motor oil
- Sweep up yard debris and grass cuttings
- Pick up after your pet
- Get involved!



Anything that enters the storm drains ends up in creeks and flows to the ocean.



For more info log onto [www.sbcreeks.com](http://www.sbcreeks.com)

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## IT ALL FLOWS TO THE OCEAN

Pet waste and bacteria get washed into storm drains which flow directly to creeks and to the ocean.

**Thank you for picking up after your pet,  
every time.**

[www.sbcreaks.com](http://www.sbcreaks.com)

To report storm drain/creek pollution, call 897-2688.  
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# Water:

## Our Greatest Resource

Students learn in creative, interactive ways about all aspects of water in their local Santa Barbara environment.



*Classroom Presentations about:*

- Water cycle and conservation
- Protecting water resources
- Wastewater treatment
- Creeks and watersheds

*Field Trips to:*

- El Estero Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park
- Watershed Resource Center



## Free Bus Service!!

# City of Santa Barbara

## FREE Water Presentations & Field Trips

### Presentations



#### Water cycle and conservation

##### All about Water: Grades K-1<sup>st</sup>

40 minutes

Students learn about local water resources, the water cycle and water conservation through cartoons, big colorful posters and an interactive discussion.

#### Creeks and watersheds

##### Sum of the Parts: Grades K-2<sup>nd</sup>

40 minutes

Students learn why beaches close, what a watershed is and how they can help keep the creeks and ocean clean. Students will participate in a fun interactive skit, dressing up as potential polluters of the watershed.

#### Protecting water resources

##### The Water Puzzle: Grades 2<sup>nd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup>

60 minutes

Students learn about local water resources, the importance of water, water treatment, and water conservation through games, big colorful posters, an interactive discussion and hands-on activities.

#### Creeks and watersheds

##### Watershed Model Presentation: Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>

60 minutes

Students learn about local watersheds, ocean and creek water quality issues, storm drains and affects of pollution. Students “pollute” a watershed model and learn how human activities can affect the waterways.

#### Wastewater treatment

##### Wastewater Presentation: Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup>

60 minutes

Students discover the processes their wastewater goes through after leaving their home, and before entering the ocean. A short film, large display pieces and samples of wastewater

#### Protecting water resources

##### The Story of Water: Grades 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>

60 minutes

Students learn about their local water sources, the water cycle, water treatment, wastewater treatment and the importance of water in the world. Local rainfall patterns and impact on water supplies will be explained. Presentation includes colorful displays, big puzzles and hands-on activities.



# FREE Water Presentations & Field Trips

The City of Santa Barbara wants to help you teach our kids about the importance of water.

Please contact Elise Stephens at 897-2672

## Wastewater treatment

**El Estero Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour: Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup>**

*60 minutes*

Students learn where their wastewater goes after it leaves their homes. They see the various processes that wastewater goes through before being released into the ocean.

## Creeks and watersheds

**Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park: Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>**

*60 minutes*

Students participate in hands-on activities to learn about the physical and biological components of a healthy creek, watersheds and how they work, sources of water pollution and what students can do to improve water quality.

## Creeks and watersheds

**Watershed Resource Center: Grades K- 6<sup>th</sup>**

*60 minutes*

The South Coast Watershed Resource Center, located at Arroyo Burro Beach, offers several hands on activities focusing on watersheds, water pollution, and what students can do to protect the health of our watersheds.

To schedule a Watershed Resource Center field trip please contact Angela Lang, Community Environmental Council, 884-0459 X 13, afsadmin@cecmail.org

All presentations and field trips linked to state standards

## Creeks and watersheds

**Creek Kids: Grade 6**

The new CREEK KIDS Series consists of two in-class lessons and one half-day fieldtrip to both the Watershed Resource Center at Arroyo Burro Beach and to Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park. Students participate in hands-on activities to learn about the physical and biological components of a healthy creek, watersheds and how they work, sources of water pollution and what students can do to improve water quality.

To schedule the CREEK KIDS SERIES contact Tahara Ezrahti, Community Environmental Council, 884-0459 x12, enviroed@cecmail.org



## Water Awareness Series

**Water Awareness Review Series: Grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>**

*60 minutes*

A wrap-up game, reviewing and reiterating material previously presented on water supply and conservation, watershed and human impacts on waterways and wastewater knowledge.

**CONTACT: Elise Stephens, City of Santa Barbara, 897-2672, estephens@ci.santa-barbara.ca.us**



These programs are jointly funded by the City Wastewater and Water funds as well as the Creeks Program through Measure B.

		Water Cycle & Conservation	Protecting Water Resources	Creeks & watersheds	Wastewater treatment
<b>K GRADE</b>	<b>PROGRAMS</b>				
<b>1<sup>st</sup> GRADE</b>	All About Water	X	X		
	Sum of the Parts		X	X	
	Field Trip to the Watershed Resource Center				
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE</b>	All About Water	X	X		
	Sum of the Parts		X	X	
	Field Trip to the Watershed Resource Center				
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> GRADE</b>	Sum of the Parts		X	X	
	The Water Puzzle	X	X		
	Field Trip to the Watershed Resource Center				
<b>4<sup>th</sup> GRADE</b>	The Water Puzzle	X	X		
	Watershed Model		X	X	
	Wastewater Presentation	X	X		X
	Water Awareness Review Series	X	X	X	X
	Field Trip to El Estero Wastewater Treatment Plant	X	X	X	X
	Field Trip to Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park	X	X	X	
	Field Trip at the Watershed Resource Center	X	X	X	
<b>5<sup>th</sup> GRADE</b>	Watershed Model	X	X	X	
	Wastewater Presentation	X	X		X
	Water Awareness Review Series	X	X	X	X
	Field Trip to El Estero Wastewater Treatment Plant	X	X	X	X
	Field Trip to Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park	X	X	X	
	Field Trip at the Watershed Resource Center	X	X	X	
<b>6<sup>th</sup> GRADE</b>	Watershed Model	X	X	X	
	Wastewater Presentation	X	X		X
	The Story of Water	X	X	X	X
	Water Awareness Review Series	X	X	X	X
	Field Trip to El Estero Wastewater Treatment Plant	X	X	X	X
	Field Trip to Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park	X	X	X	
	Field Trip at the Watershed Resource Center	X	X	X	
	Creek Kids Series:				
Watershed Model	X	X	X		
Field Trip to Old Mission Creek at Bohnett Park	X	X	X		
Field Trip at the Watershed Resource Center	X	X	X		

# Kid's Creek Fest

at Arroyo Burro Beach

Sunday, October 10

Free admission

Fun for parents too!

11:30 Puppet show



12:00 Chumash storyteller

1:00 Learn about fish in the estuary

2:00 See owls and hawks



Play games



Make a creek bug



Plant your own creek plant

Get your picture taken



See strange microscopic creatures



From 11am to 3pm

South Coast Watershed Resource Center

Arroyo Burro Beach (2981 Cliff Drive)

Call 682-6113 for more information



Great raffle prizes!

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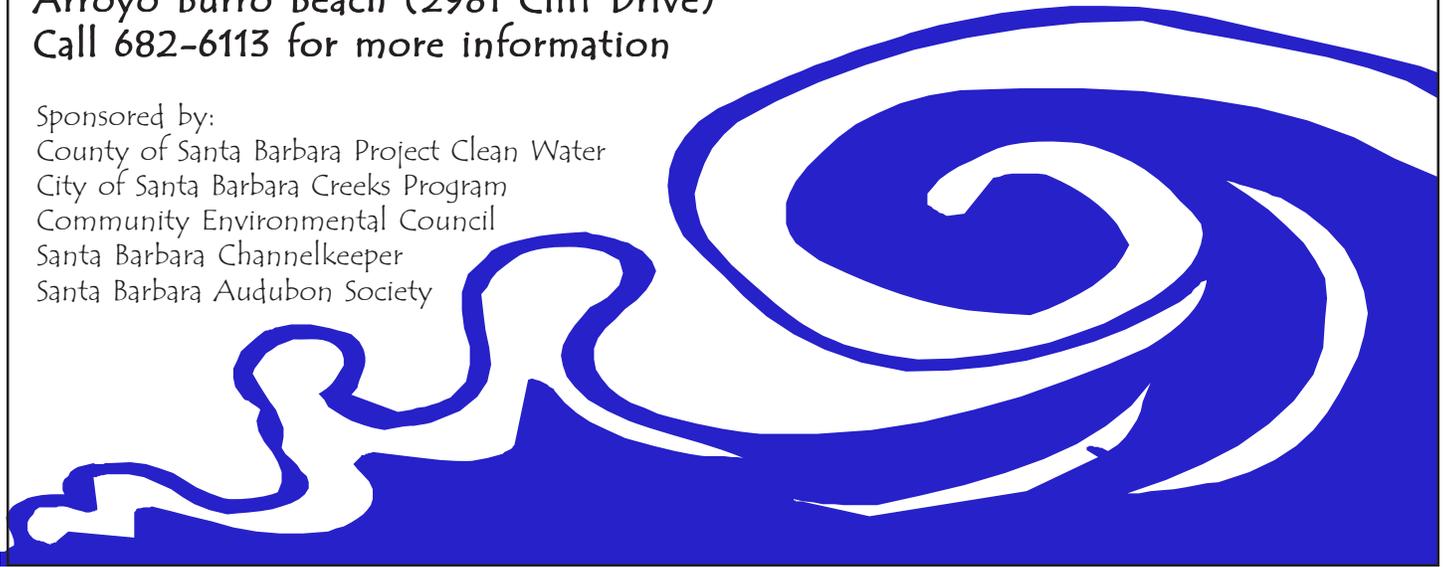
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# Kid's Creek Fest

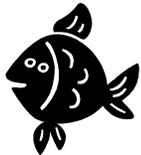
at Arroyo Burro Beach

Sunday, June 12

Free for everyone

Fun for parents too!

11:30 Puppet Show



12:00 Nature Walk

1:00 Chumash Storyteller

2:00 Audubon Owl Show



Also:

Play games



Make a creek bug



Plant your own creek plant

Get your picture taken



See strange microscopic creatures



From 11am to 3pm

South Coast Watershed Resource Center

Arroyo Burro Beach (2981 Cliff Drive)

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City of Goleta



# Questions?

If your business is generating runoff (other than rainwater) you may be able to discharge it to the sanitary sewer. Direct all questions regarding discharge to sanitary sewer to your local wastewater treatment plant or sanitary district listed below:

## Santa Barbara

City of Santa Barbara:  
Rebecca Bjork, Environmental Control Supervisor  
(805) 897-1914

## Goleta

### *From La Cumbre Road to Santa Barbara Airport:*

Goleta Sanitary District  
Teresa Kistner, Industrial Waste Control Officer  
(805) 967-4519

### *West of Santa Barbara Airport:*

Mark Nation, Operations Superintendent  
Goleta West Sanitary District  
(805) 968-2617

## Montecito

Montecito Sanitary District  
(805) 969-4200

## Carpinteria

Carpinteria Sanitary District  
Katherine Huelscamp  
(805) 684-7214 x13

## General Questions

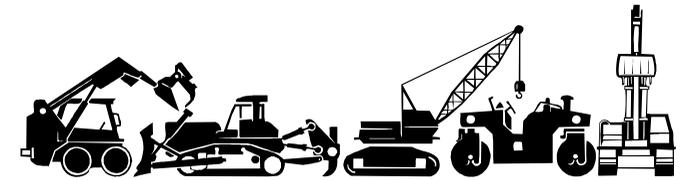
Vivian Nelson, Environmental Health Specialist, Senior  
Santa Barbara County Environmental Health Services  
(805) 681-4925



Santa Barbara County Water Agency and the City of Santa Barbara

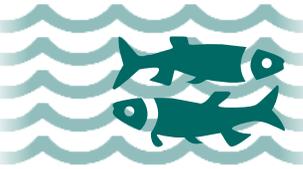
For more information about clean water, or to report  
spills or polluted runoff, call the Water Quality Hotline at  
1-877-OUR-OCEAN

# Preventing Pollution in our Creeks and Ocean



# A Guide for Construction Contractors

Prepared by the City and County of Santa Barbara  
as part of Project Clean Water





## Do you know where water on the pavement goes?

Some people think that runoff from the streets on the South Coast flows down storm drains to our local wastewater treatment plant. This is a common misconception!

**Anything that enters the storm drains flows to the creeks and ends up in the ocean.** This includes pollution from parking lots and automotive businesses.

## Our oceans and creeks are being polluted.

Used motor oil, bacteria, toxic chemicals, heavy metals and other types of pollution have been found in local creeks and the ocean. Pollution can be unsafe for people and affect aquatic life. As a result of pollution, beaches have been closed to protect public health.

### What's Causing the Pollution?

In our area, the sanitary sewer system and the storm drain system are separate from each other. Storm drain system openings (catch basins) are located outside in gutters, alleys and streets. The storm drains empty directly into creeks, which flow to the ocean. All materials, such as liquid and trash, that are poured, spilled or dumped on streets, alleys and gutters enter the storm drains. This waste travels into creeks and the ocean without being treated.

**To keep the ocean and creeks clean it is very important that only rain goes down the storm drain!**

All other discharge to the storm drain should be prevented.

## Cement

- Keep all concrete, plaster and cement mortars out of the streets, gutters, storm drains and creeks.
- Store dry and wet materials off the streets and under cover protected from rainfall and runoff.
- Wash out concrete transit mixers and tools only when in designated wash-out areas. Identify wash-out areas with signs.
- Never dispose of washout into the streets, catch basins, storm drains, drainage ditches, or creeks.
- Whenever possible, return contents of mixer barrel to the batch plant for recycling. Dispose of small amounts of excess concrete, grout, and mortar in the trash.



## Painting

- Never clean brushes or rinse paint containers into a street, catch basin, gutter, storm drain, or creek.
- Water based paint brushes may be rinsed in a drain leading to the sanitary sewer (i.e., indoor plumbing). Excess paint may be disposed of as hazardous waste.
- Oil-based paint, thinners and sludges must be disposed of as hazardous waste.
- Latex paint may be recycled.

**Remember Only Rain Down the Storm Drain!**



# Solution: Best Management Practices

Listed below are Best Management Practices (BMPs) which can help you protect water quality in our creeks and ocean.

## Working Next to Creeks, Wetlands and the Ocean

- When working near a creek, wetland or the ocean, be sure to have obtained all necessary permits from all Local, State and Federal Agencies before starting any work.
- Use all of the BMPs in this booklet, and any special requirements outlined in the permits when working in these sensitive areas.

## Waste Management

- Store materials in closed or covered areas.
- Keep covers on all trash cans and dumpsters.
- Keep the area around your trash receptacles free of debris.
- Keep trash receptacles in a covered area to prevent wind or rain from getting into the trash.
- Prevent liquids from leaking out of the trash area and entering the storm drain system.
- Maximize trash cans to prevent littering.
- Waste being held for recycling or disposal should be held separate and covered.
- Practice source reduction- reduce waste by ordering only the amount you need to finish the job.
- Recycle leftover materials whenever possible. Materials such as concrete, asphalt, scrap metal, solvents, degreasers, cleared vegetation, paper, rock, and vehicle maintenance materials, such as used oil, antifreeze, batteries, and tires are recyclable. Call County Solid Waste Division at 882-3609 for more information on recycling construction materials.
- Be sure that trailers carrying your materials are covered during transit.



## Construction

- Keep all stored or scrap materials such as sand, base rock, metal, wood or paper from entering the storm drain system. Keep separate and recycle when possible.
- Do not work or store materials in the streets, sidewalks, or areas exposed to rain or runoff. If work must be done outside, construct a separate, bermed area that does not drain into a storm drain.
- Protect all storm drain inlets using berms, screens or filter fabric cloth or other best management practices to prevent sediments from entering the storm drainage system during construction activities and rains.
- Schedule clearing and grubbing or heavy earth moving activities for periods of dry weather. Cover exposed piles of soil, construction materials and waste with a plastic sheeting or temporary roofs.
- Use terracing, erosion control blankets, rip rap, fiber rolls (wattles), gravel bags, rocks, straw bales, silt fences or vegetation to reduce runoff velocity and to trap sediments. Before it rains, sweep and remove materials from surfaces that drain to catch basins, storm drains, creeks, or channels.
- Prevent soil erosion. Delineate clearing limits, easements, setbacks, sensitive or critical areas, trees, drainage courses, and buffer zones to prevent excessive or unnecessary disturbances and exposure. Place straw, hay bales, silt fences, jute netting or vegetation on all exposed ground immediately after grading operations are completed. Construct temporary drainage swales in order to contain drainage flows.
- When saw cutting asphalt or concrete, a vacuum or other effective capture and containment system must be used to collect all of the water and sediments.
- When a project is completed, pick up and sweep dirt and debris from all work areas including streets, sidewalks and alleys. Do not wash down work areas, tools and equipment on surfaces that drain to the storm drains or creeks.
- Clean all vehicle and equipment tires and undercarriages to remove any mud and debris onsite and prevent tracking onto the street. Provide controlled points of entry onto a construction site with rumble plates, clean gravel or wash basin to clean vehicles leaving the site.

## Oil and Solvents

- Keep vehicles and equipment in good working order to prevent leaks. Refuel vehicles and heavy equipment in one designated location on the site and take care to clean up spills immediately.
- Recycle motor oil and solvents.
- Routinely check equipment to wipe spills and repair leaks.
- Apply absorbents on any oil leaks that may appear in parking lots. Properly dispose of absorbents before it rains. Some absorbents include: wipes, kitty litter, other organic-based absorbents. And use catch or drip pans.
- Never pour fluids down the storm drain, on a paved area or on the ground.



## Site-Dewatering

- Water loaded with silt or sediment, or water that is in any way impaired, may not be pumped or drained into the streets, catch basins, storm drains, drainage ditches or creeks.
- Follow the site-dewatering plan to provide adequate treatment or containment of sediment-laden water.
- Follow the erosion control plan to prevent silt and sediment runoff from the site, and to prevent sediment-laden runoff to the site.
- If it is necessary to dewater a site after a storm, use appropriate BMPs.
- Proper use of straw bales, filter material and lined sediment basins may provide sufficient filtration for site dewatering. If the discharge of the filtered water is still dirty, further treatment, or containment, will be required, which may include use of bag filters on pump discharge hoses or the use of poly tanks (Baker tanks).
- Regardless of the treatment method used, if the discharge is still dirty, it will not be allowed into the City storm drain system.



We Need Your Help!

## Are your business practices sending pollution to the beach?

Storm water runoff from construction sites contributes to urban runoff pollution. Dirt, construction materials, vehicle fluids, trash, and human waste are some of the pollutants that get into the storm drain system.

Preventing these pollutants from entering the storm water system is vital to clean creeks and open beaches. City of Santa Barbara Municipal Code Title 16 Liquid and Industrial Waste Disposal prohibits discharge of any pollutants into the storm water system, and County Code

Chapter 17 prohibits the discharge of solid, semi-solid, and liquid wastes. Also, County Standard Conditions of Approval may require a project to be monitored for some of the Best Management Practices (BMPs) included here.

**By using good site management methods, you can help prevent pollution in our creeks and ocean.**

The common sense measures outlined in this booklet can be implemented with little effort and at a reasonable cost to the contractor and tradespeople.

# Are you certified?



Clean Water Business Certification provides:

- √ clean shop practices
- √ water quality information
- √ certificate and window decal
- √ advertising for your business
- √ customer brochures

**To participate, contact Harry Slikker at  
897-2688.**

This program is part of the City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division's efforts to reduce pollution in our creeks and ocean, and is funded by hotel visitors through measure B.

City of Santa Barbara

Storm Water

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# Clean Creeks Certified Business

*In recognition of important steps to prevent water pollution  
in our creeks and ocean, the City of Santa Barbara recognizes*

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*as a Clean Water Business*



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*Date*



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Marty Blum  
*Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara*

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Jill Zachary  
*Creeks Restoration/Clean Water Manager*

## Automotive Stormwater Potential Polluted Discharge (PPD) Checklist

**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Owner/Manager:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Tel** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Services:** Wash/Detail      Body Repair/Paint      Auto Repair & Service      **Primary Service:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gas Station              Carburetor              Electric              Brakes  
 Smog                      Towing                      Rental                      Tires

**Facilities:** Connected Wash/Detail Area **Y**\_\_\_ **N**\_\_\_      Shop Clarifier **Y**\_\_\_ **N**\_\_\_      Interior Floor Drain **Y**\_\_\_ **N**\_\_\_  
 Onsite Sewer Connection **Y**\_\_\_ **N**\_\_\_      Uncovered Work Areas **Y** **N**      Work performed outside of shop **Y** **N**

Paving Material: Indoor \_\_\_\_\_ Outdoor \_\_\_\_\_ Wash/Detail \_\_\_\_\_ Parking \_\_\_\_\_ Gas Pump Islands \_\_\_\_\_ Prep Area \_\_\_\_\_

**Illicit Discharge:** **Y** **N** Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**Urban Runoff Code Violations:** **Y** **N** Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

	Applicable Activity			BMPs Used	Effectiveness
	Yes	No	PPD		
Vehicle & Equipment Fueling	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Vehicle & Equipment Washing/Steam Cleaning	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Vehicle & Equipment Repair & Maintenance	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Shop Cleaning	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Work Performed Outdoors	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Outdoor Storage of Liquids	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Outdoor Storage of Parts & Equipment	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Trash Area	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Parking/Storage Area Maintenance	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Other	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5

**1 No BMPs Used    2 Some BMPs used but not effective    3 Some BMPs used and moderately effective**

**4 Source Control BMPs used and very effective/structural BMPs needed    5 All necessary BMPs used and very effective**

Number of Applicable Activities \_\_\_\_\_ BMP Score \_\_\_\_\_ BMP AVG \_\_\_\_\_ Qualifies for Certification **Y** **N**

**BMPs required for certification and/or for correction of code violation.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Install wastewater containment system for \_\_\_\_\_, or/  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Activities on this site may require connection to sanitary sewer. Contact Jose Arias, (805) 897-1915 for further information and requirements on how to connect to sewer.

\_\_\_\_\_ Replace asphalt pavement surrounding pump islands with Portland cement, per City and State requirements.

\_\_\_\_\_ Provide covered storage and containment for materials stored outdoors

**Other Requirements:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## CLEAN CREEKS RESTAURANT CERTIFICATION Potential Polluted Discharges (PPD) Checklist

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner/Manager: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. \_\_\_\_\_ APN: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Restaurant: \_\_\_\_\_

Facilities: Mop Sink Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ Grease Trap Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ Mat Wash Area Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ Dumpster Sewer Connection Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_  
Outdoor Dining Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ Outdoor Storage Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ Grease Container Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_

Illicit Discharges: Y N Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Urban Runoff Code Violations: Y N Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

	Applicable Activity			BMPs Used	Effectiveness
	Yes	No	PPD		
Mat Washing	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Outdoor Dining Area/Patio Cleanup	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Sidewalk Cleaning	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Trash Area - Appearance	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Trash Area - Maintenance	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Fry Oil Storage	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Parking Area Maintenance	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
Other Outdoor Storage	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5
	( )	( )	( )		1 2 3 4 5

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Number of Applicable Activities \_\_\_\_\_ BMP Score \_\_\_\_\_ BMP AVG \_\_\_\_\_

Qualifies for Certification? Y N

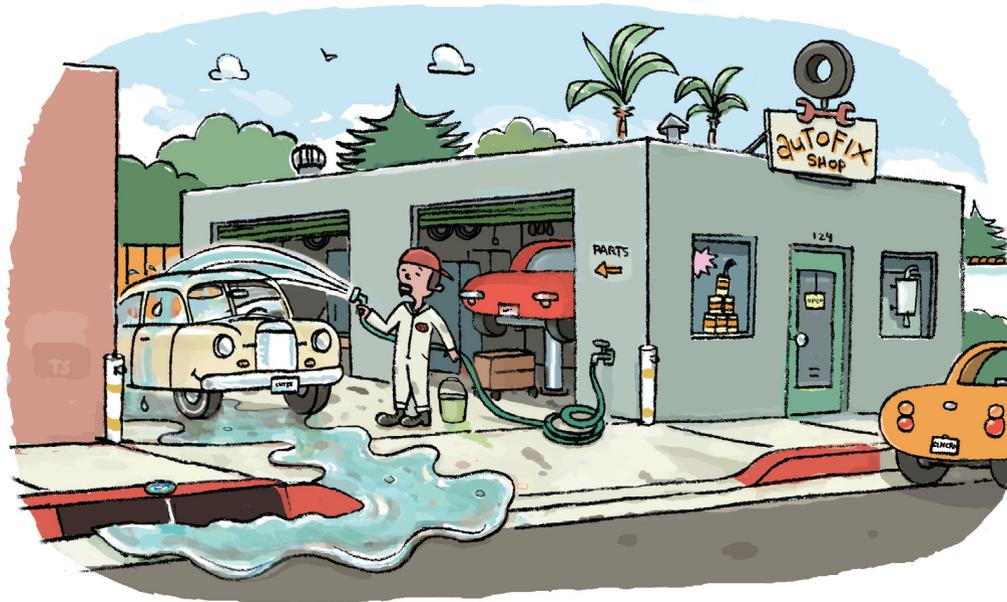
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- \_\_\_\_\_ Provide covered storage and containment for materials stored outdoors
- \_\_\_\_\_ Maintain trash enclosure area and/or replace leaking trash receptacles

Other Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Did You Know?*

# **ALLOWING WASH WATER TO FLOW TO THE STREET IS ILLEGAL**



# **AND SENDS POLLUTED WATER TO OUR CREEKS AND OCEAN**

# CLEAN WATER BUSINESS PROGRAM

*Would you like to be a certified Clean Water Business?*

Auto Shop maintenance practices can cause water pollution and violate City laws. The City of Santa Barbara Creeks Division is working to stop pollution from traveling from sidewalks and streets to our creeks and ocean.

This **FREE PROGRAM** provides:

- ✓ Consultation on Clean Water Regulations
- ✓ Best Management Practice Information
  - Vehicle and Equipment Washing
  - Spill Prevention
  - Storage and Disposal
  - Maintaining Facilities and Premises
- ✓ Clean Water Business Certification
- ✓ Promotion of your Business in the local media



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# **WASHING RESTAURANT MATS WITHOUT CONTAINMENT IS ILLEGAL**



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- ✓ Learn about Best Management Practices
  - Cleaning and Disposal
  - Spill Prevention
  - Grease Management
  - Maintaining Dumpster Areas
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Clean Water Business Window Sticker



# If you take care of **YOUR CAR** you will take care of **OUR CREEKS**

*Pollution from cars on driveways,  
and streets goes into the storm drain  
and ends up in our creeks and ocean.*

## **What you can do:**

- **Fix Oil Leaks**
- **Service Radiator**
- **Recycle Used Oil**
- **Use a Car Wash**

**L**eaks cost you money, so protect your investment and the environment. If you have a leak, get it fixed! Even a little oil can harm the birds and fish, and contaminates our beaches.

Radiator coolant is poisonous! It can attract and kill cats, birds and other animals! Soapy water from driveways and streets kill fish and pollute creeks, so wash your car at the car wash, not in the driveway. For more information call 897-2658 or go to [sbcreeks.com](http://sbcreeks.com).



# Si usted cuida SU AUTOMOVIL Usted estará cuidando NUESTROS ARROYOS

*La contaminación de los automóviles en las entradas de las casas y en las calles se va para las bocas de tormentas y termina en nuestros arroyos y en el mar.*

## Que puede hacer usted:

- Arregle las pérdidas de aceite
- Revise y repare el radiador
- Recicle el aceite usado
- Use un lavadero de automóviles

Las pérdidas de líquidos le cuestan dinero a usted, por eso, proteja su inversión y el medio ambiente. Si tiene una pérdida, ¡arregléla! Un poquito de aceite puede dañar a los pájaros y a los peces, y contamina nuestras playas.

¡El congelante del radiador es venenoso!  
¡Puede atraer y matar a los gatos, pájaros y otros animales! El agua enjabonada de las entradas y de las calles mata a los peces y contamina a nuestros arroyos, por eso debe lavar su automóvil en un lavadero y no en la entrada de su casa. Para más información llame al 897-2658 o visite [sbcreeks.com](http://sbcreeks.com).



# Clean Creeks Certified Business

## Newly Certified!

### Imported Auto Service

227 Gray Avenue  
805-965-6142

### Jess Union Service

236 N. Milpas St.  
805-965-1629

### The Engine Company

516 N. Nopal  
805-965-6789

### Lang Motors

114 E. Gutierrez St.  
805-965-5671

## Previously Certified Clean Creek Auto Businesses

HP Autowerks, Richard's Accurate, Smog It, Ayer's Automotive Repair, Precision Automotive & Smog, Swedemasters, Bowman's Auto Repair, Schneider Autohaus, A's Automotive, Muller & Goss, Blanquette Automotive, Lara Auto Repairs, Clark Motors Inc., Tire Pros, Powell Garage

The City of Santa Barbara congratulates these automotive businesses for taking important steps to protect creek and ocean water quality and becoming Certified Clean Water Businesses.

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