



SLO County Annual Creek and Coastal Cleanup Day

Saturday, September 17, 2011

9 a.m. to noon

Community volunteers have the opportunity to take ownership of their neighborhoods, parks, beaches, and open spaces in the County of San Luis Obispo on **September 17th** by cleaning local creeks, beaches, the river, and other waterways. Volunteers can check in at a local station at 9am and will be directed to sites in need in their local area.

This year, agencies from the Creek Day Coalition are teaming up with Coastal Cleanup to make a more substantial impact and capitalize on volunteers who are committed to this community project. Although the premise is the same, whether volunteers are cleaning creeks or beaches—the trash all ends up in the ocean. There is a greater need to steer volunteers inland towards the areas further from the beaches. ***Volunteers are encouraged to support their local community and reduce the impacts of driving.***

Creek Day is fun for all ages! Bring the family or gather a group for a team-building treasure hunt. Contact your regional Cleanup Host to reserve your spot, a group cleanup site, or get more information.

Bags and gloves are provided, but volunteers are encouraged to wear long sleeves, sturdy foot protection, and sunscreen and to dress for a variety of weather conditions.

WHY CLEAN OUR CREEKS?

Trash finds its way into our local waterways from overflowing trash cans and careless litterbugs. Winter rains wash that debris into the ocean and onto our beaches. Trash pollution threatens wildlife, harms the environment, and impacts our local economy. Plus, trash makes our community less attractive to residents, visitors, and tourists.

Clean creeks and clean water are required to protect public health, to grow food and fiber, to provide homes for fish and wildlife, to provide opportunities for public recreation, and to promote sustainable economic development. Help keep San Luis Obispo County beautiful and trash-free by participating at a local site!

Creek and Coastal Cleanup Day is a collaborative county-wide effort lead by: Atascadero Mutual Water Company, Cal Poly SLO, Central Coast Salmon Enhancement, Citizens of Santa Margarita, ECOSLO, The Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo, Nipomo Community Services District, County of San Luis Obispo, City of San Luis Obispo, City of Paso Robles, City of Atascadero, Lake Nacimiento Resort, Central Coast Partners for Water Quality, and Templeton Community Services District.

REGIONAL CLEANUP STATIONS & HOSTS

Gloves and bags will be provided. Sturdy gloves, shoes, & work clothes recommended. If under age 18 please bring an adult to sign for you. Select locations provide free food & prizes. Visit www.CreekDay.org or www.Coast4u.org for details.

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SLO COUNTY INLAND SITES:

Five Cities

Heritage Square Park

Mason St & Nelson St, Arroyo Grande

Host: Central Coast Salmon Enhancement

Contact: stacy@centralcoastsalmon.com or (805) 473-8221

San Luis Obispo

Santa Rosa Park

Santa Rosa St & Oak St

Hosts: The Land Conservancy of SLO County & City of San Luis Obispo

Contact: volunteer@LCSLO.org or (805) 544-9096 ext. 18

Santa Margarita

Santa Margarita Community Park ***Meeting time is 8am**

Host: Citizens of Santa Margarita

Contact: (805) 438-4501 or (805) 438-3329

Nipomo

Corner of W. Tefft and Carillo St., E. of HWY 101

Hosts: County of San Luis Obispo and Nipomo CSD

Contact: ksypolt@co.slo.ca.us or (805) 781-5256

Cal Poly SLO

Dexter Lawn

Host: Environmental Health and Safety Department

Contact: kbusby@calpoly.edu or (805) 756-6664

Atascadero

City Hall Parking Lot

Hosts: Atascadero Mutual Water Company and City of Atascadero

Contact: jhendrickson@amwc.us or (805) 470-3148

Templeton

Templeton CSD Board Room

206 Fifth Street

Host: Templeton CSD

Contact: ajparisi@templetoncsd.org or (805) 434-4914

Paso Robles

Larry Moore Park, Riverbank Lane

Host: City of Paso Robles

Contact: pgwathmey@prcity.com or (805) 227-1654

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Lake Nacimiento

Nacimiento General Store

Host: Lake Nacimiento Resort

Contact: (805) 237-4924

SLO COUNTY COASTAL SITES:

Visit www.ecoslo.org for more information & sites in need of volunteers

Contact: ECOSLO ccd@ecoslo.org or 544-1777

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