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### In the News

#### 2nd Annual “Walk the Watershed” a Success



Over 150 volunteers participated in an interactive tour of the Pueblo Watershed in Southeast San Diego along Chollas Creek, collecting 509 pounds of litter during *Walk the Watershed*. Beginning at Millennial Tech Middle School and ending at Market Creek Plaza, participants walked the mile-long tour following Chollas Creek upstream through rare Cactus Wren habitat, picking up litter, planting native seed balls and participating in educational workshops that connect

urban living with water quality. At the end of the tour, attendees joined in a celebration with African and Native American Dance and listened to local student presentations. Contact Watershed Program Coordinator [Preston Lam](#) to help plan *Walk the Watershed* 2010. San Diego Coastkeeper would like to thank the [Port of San Diego](#) for sponsoring the cleanup.

#### Environmental Groups Release Report Card Ranking City and County Performance

## San Diego's Action List

### Step #11

**Join Us March 18 for Green Drinks at the W Hotel San Diego!**

[Green Drinks](#) is a monthly event in which people involved in the environmental movement come together to network, share ideas and make new friends.

### Step #2

**Become a Member of Coastkeeper Today!**

[Join San Diego Coastkeeper](#) today and support Coastkeeper's efforts to protect San Diego's natural resources.

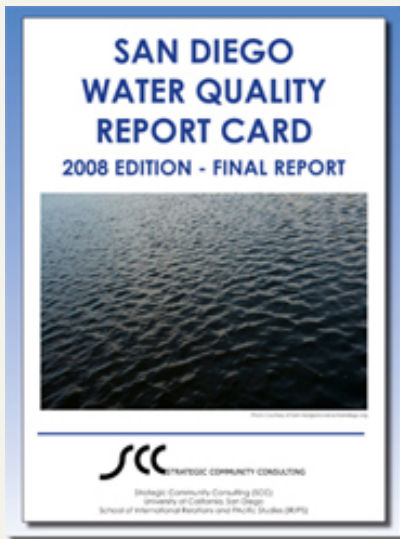
### Step #3

**Update Your Contact Information!**

Coastkeeper wants to keep in touch with our members, volunteers and supporters, please email [Jen Dobbins](#) with any changes to your mailing address.

**San Diego o Coastkeeper  
is a member of:**





[The League of Conservation Voters San Diego](#), in conjunction with [Surfrider Foundation, San Diego Chapter](#), [San Diego Coastkeeper](#) and [Sierra Club, San Diego Chapter](#) released two environmental report cards on February 26, addressing the voting records and actions of the San Diego City Council and Mayor and the San Diego County Board of Supervisors. The City of San Diego scored a 'B+' on the 7th annual report card while San Diego County received a 'C' on its first environmental assessment. The report cards examined the voting record of each San Diego City Council member and County Supervisor and assessed the Mayor's performance on issues impacting the health of local waters and coastal habitat over the past year. The goal of both

reports is to educate San Diegans about the actions taken by City Council members, the Mayor and County Supervisors, and increase accountability of local elected officials. [Click here](#) to download the report cards.

## Coastkeeper and Stay Classy Host March Green Drinks



Don't waste all your green on St. Patty's Day! [San Diego Coastkeeper](#) and [Stay Classy](#) join together to host this month's [Green Drinks](#) at the W Hotel San Diego. Green Drinks is a monthly event in which people involved in the environmental movement come together to network, share ideas and make new friends. A portion of the sales from specialty drinks will be donated to both organizations. A special thanks to the [W Hotel San Diego](#) for hosting this event. See more event information in the [Upcoming Events](#) section below.

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## [Volunteer Opportunities](#)

### March Water Monitoring and Training

When: Saturday, March 21 at 8:45am

Where: Point Loma (San Diego Coastkeeper Offices)



San Diego Coastkeeper is looking for members of the community interested in helping us gather data to improve and protect San Diego's waters. If you are interested in collecting [water quality samples](#) and taking basic water chemistry measurements on a regular basis, email [Preston Lam](#). Due to limited space and high volunteer interest, we are asking that volunteers register to participate by Wednesday, March 18.

## Coronado Beach Cleanup

When: Saturday, March 28 from 9:00am – 11:00am

Where: Coronado beach and street cleanup at Coronado State Beach. Meet at the end of Isabella Avenue.



Join us for a beach and street cleanup at Coronado State Beach.

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## Upcoming Events

### March Green Drinks at W Hotel

When: Wednesday March 18, 2009 from 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Where: W Hotel San Diego  
421 W. B Street  
San Diego, CA



Join [San Diego Coastkeeper](#) and [Stay Classy](#) as they host this month's [Green Drinks](#). Entertainment will include a 3 Tha Hardway reunion set by Djs Eddie Turbo, Jon Wesley and Atom Matter. A portion of the sales from specialty drinks will be donated to both organizations.

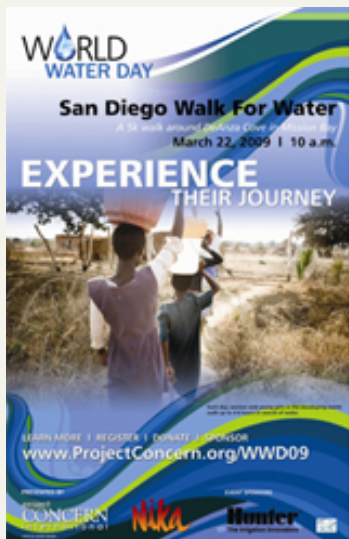




## Celebrate World Water Day and the San Diego Walk for Water

When: Sunday, March 22, 2009 from 10:00am – 12:00noon

Where: DeAnza Cove, Mission Bay  
San Diego, CA



Water is a basic requirement for life; yet twenty percent of the world's population lives in countries with dwindling fresh water supplies. Participate in local [World Water Day](#) events to educate yourself on the global water crisis and learn how you can help. [Click here](#) for San Diego water conservation tips.

## Attend the Largest Environmental Film Festival in the Nation

When: Thursday, March 26 from 6:00pm – 10:00pm

Where: Gaslamp 15  
701 5th Avenue  
San Diego, CA



Pro Peninsula is hosting Patagonia's [Wild and Scenic Environmental Film Festival](#) in San Diego. Attend the festival to see educational and motivational environmental films from everyday citizens involved in outdoor adventures, wildlife explorations and community activism. Visit Coastkeeper's booth at the festival's Environmental Fair to learn how to get involved in protecting San Diego's natural resources.

## San Diego Indie Music Fest V – The Culture of Possibility

When: Saturday, March 28 from 11:00am – midnight

Where: North Park. On and off University Avenue between Granada and 29th Streets.



[San Diego Indie Music Fest](#) is a coming-together of cutting edge ideas, progressive activism and diverse art, including film, dance, visual art, poetry, crafts, body and psychic arts and more, designed to ignite and inspire. With more than 85 acts and seven stages we hope you can make it out to support this one of a kind festival in North Park. The San Diego Indie Music Fest selected San Diego Coastkeeper as the non-profit to highlight this year. Please stop by our booth at the festival. Contact [Danielle Miller](#) if you are interested in volunteering for the festival.

### Visit Coastkeeper at the San Diego Science Festival Expo

When: Saturday, April 4 from 10:00am – 6:00pm

Where: Balboa Park  
San Diego



Join Coastkeeper at the [San Diego Science Festival Science Expo](#) and learn the chemistry of water and about the role we play in pollution prevention.

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