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In the News

Metropolitan Water District Reduces Water Allocations to San Diego



In a much-anticipated move, the Metropolitan Water District has decided to reduce water supply deliveries to the San Diego Water Authority by 13 percent starting July 1. This water, which comes from the Bay Delta, accounts for 71 percent of our region's total water supply. San Diego residents and businesses will be impacted by this cut. Each of the 24 member retail water providers in the region are developing

plans on how they address the reduced

supply. To learn more about these cuts and how you can help <u>save water</u>, join us at our upcoming <u>Clean Water Ambassador Training</u>.

Coastkeeper Welcomes New Development Coordinator

San Diego's **Action List**

Step #1

San Dieguito Lagoon Day in Del Mar!

San Dieguito Lagoon Day will be held on Sunday, April 19 from 4:00pm - 6:00pm in the Powerhouse Community Center in Del Mar.

Step #2

BlueGreen Screening in Encinitas!

Celebrate our connection with the ocean and enjoy the new environmental surf film *BlueGreen* in Encinitas Thursday, April 23rd at 8:00pm at the La Paloma Theater.

Step #3

Become a Member of Coastkeeper Today!

Join San Diego Coastkeeper today and support Coastkeeper's efforts to protect San Diego's natural resources.

San Diego o Coastkeeper is a member of:







Megan Baehrens joined San Diego
Coastkeeper in April 2009 to support
the organization's programs by
generating funding from
corporations, foundations,
governments, major gifts and
individual sources. Before
Coastkeeper, Megan worked with
Teach For America and the National
Geographic Society, and she recently
completed a Masters in Business
Administration with a focus on

nonprofit management at the Yale School of Management. A native San Diegan, Megan is happy to have found her way home and to an organization where she can bring together her strong belief in environmental stewardship with the sunny San Diego lifestyle.

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Volunteer Opportunities

April Water Monitoring and Training

When: Saturday, April 18 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 <u>water quality samples</u> and taking basic water chemistry measurements on a regular basis, email <u>Preston Lam</u>.

7th Annual Creek to Bay Cleanup

When: Saturday, April 25 from 9:00am – 12noon

Where: Ocean Beach Pier. Meet on the grassy area north of the pier.



Join San Diego Coastkeeper for a beach and street cleanup in Ocean Beach. Visit www.creektobay.org to register for this cleanup and for directions. Creek to Bay is coordinated by I Love A Clean San Diego.

Upcoming Events

Support Coastkeeper by Participating in San Diego Earth Week Events

When: April 17 – April 25 Throughout San Diego Where:



SanDiegoLovesGreen.com and Connell Whittaker Group LLC have teamed up with Earthworks and other organizations to celebrate our Earth with a week of events. EarthFair in Balboa Park will kick-off the week, followed by a Green

Jobs and Career workshop, an America's Finest GREEN City Leadership Conference, Green dance performances, Earth Bash and ending with Servapalooza. San Diego Coastkeeper will receive a portion of the proceeds from Earth Week ticket sales. Purchase tickets now and help support Coastkeeper's programs to protect San Diego's natural resources!

Attend Earth Fair This Sunday

When: Sunday, April 19 from 10:00am – 5:00pm

Where: Balboa Park

San Diego



BE THE Celebrate Earth Day's 40th anniversary at EarthFair in Balboa Park. It's the largest free annual CHANCE environmental fair in the world. This year, it will feature more than 200 exhibitors, special themed areas, a Food Pavilion, a special Kids' Activity Area,

five entertainment venues, the Children's Earth Parade and Alternative Fuel Vehicle Parade and Show. Don't forget to stop by Coastkeeper's booth!

Become a Clean Water Ambassador

When: Thursday, April 23 from 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Where: NTC Naval Command Center 2640 Historic Decatur Road

San Diego, CA



Clean Water Ambassador Trainings

educate, engage and empower Coastkeeper's members, supporters and volunteers by highlighting the organization's work and the critical environmental issues facing the San Diego region. Experts will be speaking on San Diego's Water Supply issues and focusing on water conservation. Guest panelists include: Linda Pratt, Chief Program Manager for the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department, *Dr. Lisa Shaffer*, Executive

Director of the UC San Diego campus-wide Sustainability Solutions Institute and an adjunct professor in the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies at UCSD and Coastkeeper's Watershed Program Director *Karen Franz*. For more information and to RSVP contact Sarah Blakeslee.

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