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## In the News

# Free Forum Tonight: Could an Oil Spill Happen Here?



The tragedy in the Gulf of Mexico reminds us how vulnerable our marine ecosystems are. In addition to the direct loss of life, this disaster has likely released over 35,000 barrels a day of oil since the accident, put many people out work and oiled almost 5,000 birds, turtles and mammals. What if it happened in San Diego? At the Signs of the Tide forum, we'll examine how a spill could happen here, how it would impact the region and steps we can take to prevent such a disaster in the long run. Local KPBS reporter/producer Ed Joyce will moderate a panel, including United States Coast Guard Sector San Diego / Incident Management Division's Michael Salviati, Southern California Coastal Water Research Project Executive

Click to download event PDF Director Dr. Steve Weisberg, and Debbie Cook, former Mayor of Huntington Beach and Advisory Board Member of Association for the Study of Peak Oil and Gas. The free event includes expert presentations, small group discussions and light snacks and refreshments.

Bring your friends and colleagues. We'll see you tonight from 6 p.m.- 8 p.m. at the California Center for Sustainable Energy.

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#### Learn

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# **Learn Why Membership Matters**

We want to be a strong voice for San Diego's waters, and you can help. Read about membership benefits and why it matters, and then sign up to be a member today.

#### Act

#### **Report Polluters**

Have you noticed a person or business polluting our waters? Report the incident or polluter to San Diego Coastkeeper, and we'll make sure the proper agencies are alerted and action is taken.

## Give

#### Give Back to the Ocean

As you surf, scuba, boat, swim and tidepool during these warmer months, remember what it takes to keep our ocean beautiful. During a time when the ocean gives so much to you, give back to the ocean by donating to San Diego Coastkeeper.



It's time to kick off your work shoes and put your feet in the sand. Join us this Saturday, August 28, from noon to 4 p.m. at Law Street in Pacific Beach for Coastkeeper Day at the Beach (keep an eye out for our tent). Saturday is a day to relax with Coastkeeper staff, Board of Directors, volunteers, partners, sponsors, members, family and friends, and take in the beauty of Pacific Ocean that we work so hard to keep healthy and thriving. Come early and stay late, or

drop in for a quick hello. Just be sure to say hi. We'll bring groovy music and good times. You bring the most important part -you.

# Sponsorship Opportunity: Bipartisan Legislative Summit in San Diego



San Diego Coastkeeper is pleased to announce an exciting opportunity to be a part of San Diego history. Coastkeeper will host its inaugural bipartisan legislative summit, "The State of Water in San Diego," on September 30, 2010 from 7:30 a.m. - noon at the UCSD Atkinson Pavilion. This landmark event is co-chaired by California Senator Christine Kehoe and California Assemblyman Nathan Fletcher. Some of the nation's top scientists, ecologists and legal experts will report on the latest findings

regarding our region's water supply and watershed health. Sponsors are invited to attend a pre-summit breakfast with panelists and elected officials and attend the summit, during which legislators and expert panelists will discuss key water issues facing San Diego. Other benefits include: company name and logo on signage and event materials, photo opportunities with elected officials and an invitation to the press conference. For information about sponsorship, contact Megan Baehrens at <a href="MeganB@SDCoastkeeper.org">MeganB@SDCoastkeeper.org</a> or (619) 758.7743 ext. 103.

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# **Volunteer Opportunities**

## **September Water Quality Monitoring**

When: Saturday, September 11, 8:30 a.m. (unless you arranged to meet a Watershed

Captain in the field)

Where: Point Loma, San Diego Coastkeeper Office



Thanks to all who participated in water quality monitoring event on August 21. Volunteer teams collected and analyzed samples from 26 sites. And judging from the noise level and number of empties, we think all who attended the water quality volunteer appreciation party on the September 19 had a good time - thanks again for all the good work.

Our next water quality monitoring event will be on September 11, with training for new volunteers starting at 8:30 a.m. at our

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office. Training spaces are limited, all interested persons and partner organizations must contact our volunteer coordinator, Dylan Edwards, 619-758-7743 x131.

# **Keep the Beaches Clean this Labor Day Weekend**

When: Saturday, September 4, 9 a.m.-- 11 a.m.

Where: La Jolla Shores, meet at the lifeguard tower



San Diego Coastkeeper and the <u>Clean Beach</u> <u>Coalition</u> would like to remind you to reduce your waste and put trash in its place this Labor Day Weekend. We will be at La Jolla Shores from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 4, for a morning community cleanup to show visitors and locals alike how much we care about the coastal environment. Thanks to all those who bring their own buckets and work gloves to our cleanups, we are reducing our plastic waste more and more each week!

# **Invite Your Friends to Coastal Cleanup Day**

When: September 25, 9 a.m. - noon

Where: More than 80 coastal and inlands sites in San Diego County



Volunteers across the county are gathering forces to attend <u>Coastal Cleanup Day</u> on September 25. San Diego Coastkeeper and our friends at <u>I Love A Clean San Diego</u>, are looking for volunteers to help at sites that attract a lot of attendees. We are also looking for small businesses to donate raffle prizes to reward our volunteers and site captains. Do you want to become more involved? Email <u>San Diego Coastkeeper</u> and we'll find you the perfect job.

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# **Upcoming Events**

### **Ultimate Wave Tahiti Showcases Tropical Ocean Power**

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San Diego Coastkeeper loves a good movieespecially in IMAX! Our friends at the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center in Balboa Park are screening <u>THE ULTIMATE WAVE</u> TAHITI, an extreme blend of surfing and

ocean science starring nine-time world surfing champion Kelly Slater. In the film, you'll be transported to one of the most picturesque places on Earth and get an up close look at some of nature's most intense ocean waves at Tahiti's famed surf site, Teahupo'o. Thanks to the Rueben H. Fleet Science Center for donating tickets to Coastal Cleanup Day!

# Volunteer for Coastkeeper at Go Green Night with the San Diego Padres

When: Saturday, September 4, 10 a.m. - until the game ends

Where: PETCO Park



The San Diego Padres are hosting an Environmental Fair as part of their Go Green Night, and San Diego Coastkeeper is stoked to be a community partner. Our outstanding outreach team will be on hand to spread the word about protecting our coastal and inland waters before the game. The Padres are on fire this year, so come early, check out the great work we've been doing and renew your membership at special event prices. The first 25,000 fans receive a stainless steel water bottle from

our friends at the City of San Diego's Think Blue program. Enter promo code "GREEN" when buying tickets, and \$2 of your ticket price will go towards a offsetting your carbon footprint.

# California Center for Sustainable Energy Family Energy Day

When: Sunday, September 12, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Where: California Center for Sustainable Energy, 8690 Balboa Ave San Diego, CA 92123



As part of <u>Sustainable Energy Week</u>, our good friends at the California Center for Sustainable Energy are hosting Family Energy Day. In one afternoon of free, interactive family fun activities, learn the simple steps you can take now to lower next

month's energy costs. Our outreach team will be on hand to teach about the often overlooked, but extremely important, connection between our water supply and energy use. Bring the kids and start them on the right path to environmental awareness!

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