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# 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Coastal Cleanup Day

**Saturday, September 19, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

- Press Release -

**2015 CALIFORNIA COASTAL CLEANUP DAY**

**Saturday, September 19, 2015**

**9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon**

**WHAT:** The 2015 California Coastal Cleanup Day is Ventura County's premier coastal cleanup activity of the year. It is anticipated that the event will bring thousands of residents, businesses, and nonprofit organizations together to collect trash and debris from Ventura County's beaches and inland areas to keep it out of our oceans and waterways.

Last year, over 3,000 dedicated volunteers from Ventura County collected nearly 10,000 pounds of trash and recyclables. Statewide over 66,000 volunteers joined together to collect over 1 million pounds of trash and nearly 100,000 pounds of recyclables from the California shorelines.

**Bring Your Own Bag, Bucket and Gloves!** This year volunteers are again encouraged to attend their local cleanup site and bring their own bucket or used grocery bag, gloves, and a reusable water bottle to lessen the amount of trash created during the event.

**WHO:** The California Coastal Commission and the Ventura County Coalition for Coastal and Inland Waterways will once again coordinate this regional cleanup event made possible by our generous sponsors and dedicated volunteers.

**WHY:** Debris found on beaches and adjacent waterways throughout California include products such as cigarette filters, food wrappers, beverage bottles and cans, grocery and trash bags, and fishing line, nets and gear. Once these products enter local waterways they can travel thousands of miles on ocean currents, posing a threat to ocean ecosystems and wildlife along the way.

Thousands of marine animals die each year from becoming entangled in debris or from ingesting it. Marine debris can impact critical habitat, smothering sea grasses or dislodging or injuring corals. Debris can also pose human health and safety risks. Syringes, broken glass, and other hazardous items pose obvious dangers to barefooted beach goers. Grocery and trash bags, fishing line, nets, rope, and other debris can wrap around boat propellers and clog seawater intakes, causing costly damage and becoming a safety hazard.

Data collected on the types and quantities of litter will help us understand the sources of trash and guide the efforts that may be needed to prevent it in the first place.

Coastal Cleanup Day volunteers not only help improve our local beaches, they also improve their own understanding of nature and the positive impact people can have on the environment when we work together.

*~Promoting clean and healthy beaches, rivers and creeks throughout Ventura  
County~*

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

**WHEN:** Saturday, September 19, 2015  
 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

**WHERE:** Numerous cleanup sites are available throughout Ventura County, they include:

<b>Coastal Sites</b>	
<b>Emma Wood Group Camp</b>	Main Street (Ventura) to camp entrance; meet at kiosk.
<b>Marina Park</b>	Park entrance at Pierpont and Greenock Lane.
<b>Mugu Rock Beach</b>	Off Highway 1, South of Oxnard. Meet in parking lot near rock.
<b>NRG Energy-Mandalay Generating Station</b>	Meet at NRG Energy plant, 393 North Harbor Blvd., Oxnard, 93035
<b>Oil Piers</b>	Exit Seacliff, proceed north one mile, go through pedestrian underpass; meet near stairs.
<b>Ormond Beach</b>	Meet at NRG Energy plant by Hueneme and Edison Roads.
<b>Ormond Beach Wetland</b>	South on Oxnard Blvd until it turns into Saviers Rd. Left on Hueneme Rd. Right on Arcuturus Ave. Right on McWane Blvd. Continue to dead end and park near gate. [Note: This is a new site and supplies may be limited).
<b>Oxnard Beach Park</b>	1601 South Harbor Blvd. Oxnard (Enter parking lot)
<b>Rincon Parkway</b>	Meet at Emma Wood State Beach entrance.
<b>San Buenaventura State Beach</b>	San Pedro St. entrance, follow "Beach Clean-up" signs.
<b>Seaward Beach</b>	End of Seaward Ave.
<b>Silver Strand Beach</b>	Meet at north end.
<b>Ventura Harbor Beaches</b>	(Harbor Cove beach to Surfer's Knoll)- Meet at Channel Islands National Park Visitor Center, 1901 Spinnaker Dr., Ventura.
<b>Ventura Promenade</b>	Meet at the California Street Plaza near the Crowne Plaza Hotel and Aloha Restaurant.
<b>Inland Sites</b>	
<b>Camarillo-Calleguas Creek</b>	Creekside Rd. at Paseo Del Campo; Meet at bottom of slope at entrance to creek bottom. Call (805) 383-5659
<b>Camarillo-Mission Oaks Park Barranca</b>	Meet in the parking lot of park located on Mission Oaks Blvd. at Oak Canyon Road. Call (805) 383-5659
<b>Moorpark</b>	Villa Campesina Park located at 4704 Leta Yancy Road. Call (805) 517-6257.
<b>Ojai</b>	Meet at Libbey Park, lower tennis courts parking lot.
<b>Santa Clara River</b>	Meet at Elba St. off of Johnson Drive, Ventura. Park in the Mission Church parking lot and follow signs.
<b>Simi Valley</b>	Meet at corner of Erringer Rd. and Royal Ave. Call (805) 583-6424
<b>Thousand Oaks/ Arroyo Conejo Creek</b>	Meet at Borchard Park, corner of Borchard Rd. and Reino Rd., north of tennis courts near high school. Call (805) 449-2386