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ACTION ALERT!
Offshore Oil Bills Headed to Governor's Desk

Two state bills that will help protect California's environment, economy and communities from new oil and gas leasing off our shores have passed the California Legislature and are on Governor Brown's desk. Senate Bill 834 (Jackson-Lara) and Assembly Bill 1775 (Limón-Muratsuchi) would prohibit the State Lands Commission from approving new, modified, or extended leases for oil and gas production or associated infrastructure (including pipelines) in state waters that would result in increased production from federal waters. Santa Barbara Channelkeeper and our friends at [California](#)

[Coastkeeper Alliance](#) have been actively supporting these bills throughout the legislative session and are asking you to help us take them to the finish line by urging the Governor to sign these bills into law. You can either call the Governor's office at (916) 445-4341 or send a support letter via fax (916) 558-3177 (attn: Legislative Affairs) or [email](#). Please click [here](#) for more information and some sample text. Thank you!

ACTION ALERT! Local Watersheds Targeted for Fracking!

The federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is proposing to open new leases for oil development and fracking on federal land



and mineral estates in our area, including in the upper Carpinteria Creek watershed, the foothills above Solimar and Faria beaches, and upper Thatcher Creek in the Ventura River watershed. BLM is initiating a study on the environmental impacts of the proposed new leases, and they are currently soliciting comments from the public regarding what types of environmental impacts should be examined. Unfortunately, BLM is following new Trump Administration guidelines for environmental review which limit the amount of time it will spend studying environmental impacts and even impose page limits on the final EIR. The public has until September 7th to weigh in on what environmental concerns should be analyzed, and to demand a thorough environmental review process. Visit [Los Padres Forest Watch's website](#) for additional info, an interactive map of proposed leasing areas, and a user-friendly portal to submit comments. Please make your voice heard to ensure that our local watersheds are protected from new oil leasing and fracking!



Connecting the Community to Marine Protected Areas

This summer, Channelkeeper and Truth Aquatics took more than 80 SCUBA divers out to explore the spectacular underwater treasures in the Naples and Campus Point

Marine Protected Areas (MPAs). MPAs are proven, effective tools for restoring and protecting valuable habitat for marine life, but they're also good for eco-tourism and the local economy because they give people a chance to experience pristine ocean ecosystems firsthand and present a premier marketing opportunity for local ocean recreation outfitters. Channelkeeper has worked for years to help connect our community and local businesses to the Santa Barbara Channel's MPA network, both to raise awareness about these extraordinary underwater parks and to help build support for the critical protections that MPAs offer for marine life. Our interactive Naples and Campus Point MPA Dive Maps help divers and the broader community access and view these stunning underwater parks. Click [here](#) to download our MPA dive maps, view underwater footage of local MPAs, and learn about future opportunities to explore your MPA!

Protect Your Skin AND Our Oceans While Supporting SBCK!

Channelkeeper is thrilled to announce a new partnership with Santa Barbara-based Two Peas Organics, makers of chemical-free, human- and ocean-friendly biodegradable sunscreen!

Two Peas Organics will donate 10% of sales made through [this link](#) to Channelkeeper. So click [here](#) to get some Santa Barbara-local Two Peas Organics sunscreen while also supporting Channelkeeper at the same time!

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Stream Team Sunday, September 9

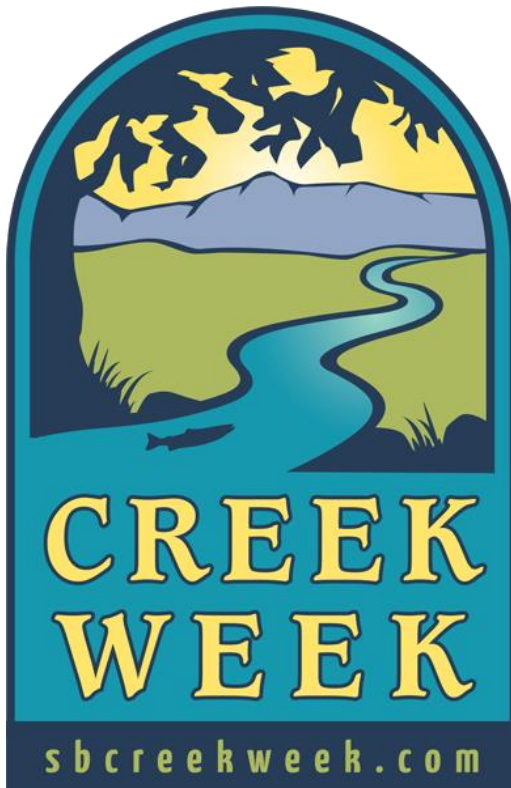
Stream Team is Channelkeeper's volunteer-based water quality monitoring program. Every month, volunteers join Channelkeeper staff to test for common water quality parameters at numerous stream sites across the South Coast. Come join us to help protect our local waterways. Goleta Stream Team will meet on Sunday, September 9th at 10 am. Ventura Stream Team will not meet in September. For more information, visit our [website](#), or [email](#) us or call 805.563.3377 ext. 5.



Coastal Clean-up Day September 15

Please join us for the 34th annual Coastal Clean-up Day on Saturday, September 15th from 9 am-12 noon. Show your favorite beach some love by picking up trash and preventing it from polluting the ocean. Channelkeeper will lead a clean-up at West Beach (our adopted beach), or you can choose from several other [beaches in the area](#). Please bring your own bucket and gloves if you have them. Thanks for helping us keep our beaches and ocean clean!





Creek Week September 15-22

Creek Week is an annual community event celebrating our local creeks and ocean, with many groups sponsoring events throughout the week to help build awareness and stewardship of the natural riparian treasures of the South Coast. Creek Week is hosted by the Santa Barbara City Creeks Division, Project Clean Water and the cities of Carpinteria and Goleta, and kicks off on Saturday, September 15th with Coastal Clean-up Day. Learn about efforts to restore Montecito creeks, participate in creek restoration projects, enjoy a cruise on the Landshark or some bird-watching at

Honda Valley, or check out the *Straws* documentary. With a week packed full of events, there is something for everyone! Click [here](#) for a complete schedule.



Become a member!

Your support for Channelkeeper's efforts is needed now more than ever. [Become a member](#) of the Channelkeeper crew today with your [tax-deductible donation](#). You'll be investing in cleanwater and healthy communities along

the Santa Barbara Channel today and for future generations. With your membership, you will receive our regular newsletters, news updates and action alerts, invitations to special Channelkeeper events and fun volunteer opportunities, and a free Channelkeeper sticker. All new donors contributing

\$50 or more can also receive a Channelkeeper t-shirt, and for donations of \$250 or more, bi-annual issues of [Waterkeeper magazine](#). Sign up today by calling 805.563.3377 ext.1, [emailing](#) us, or clicking [here](#).

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