



Our sincerest thoughts and prayers are with our friends at Truth Aquatics at this time. Please join us in keeping all of those involved in this tragedy in your thoughts.

## Support Clean Water Today



### **ACTION ALERT!** **Urge State Legislators to vote YES on Plastic Pollution Reduction Act**

We all know that plastic pollution is a mounting crisis for our oceans. Let's show the world that California is ready to take action. The California

Plastic Pollution Reduction Act is a response that matches the scale of the issue. It would set statewide targets to reduce waste from single-use products and packaging, requiring manufacturers to make less of it in the first place and ensuring that the rest can actually be recycled or composted. Please click [here](#) to urge your State legislators to vote YES on the California Plastic Pollution Reduction Act!

### **Recycling in SB – Keep it Clean & Dry**

Recycling has changed a great deal over the past year, as China is no longer accepting contaminated recyclables. In California, recycling markets are struggling to find their footing, and many curbside collection programs, like the ones we have here along the South Coast, have changed what materials they are able to accept. So, what can go in the recycle bins? Clean and dry metal (no liquids or food), #1 and #2 plastics (greater than 6"), all paper (but no pizza boxes!), and all glass containers (no food or liquid). All items must be clean, empty, dry, and loose (not bagged). Click [here](#) to learn more.

Also, thanks to Ablitt's Fine Cleaner's project to recycle film plastic, you can drop off your clean and dry film plastic (must be stretchy) to be recycled at Ablitt's, Channelkeeper, or CEC. A new pilot project with Heal the Ocean and MarBorg to recycle foam was also just launched, and clean and dry foam can now be dropped off at two MarBorg locations. Click [here](#) to learn more.





## Paige's Big Swim for the Channel!

In the early hours of October 9<sup>th</sup>, 16 year-old Paige Kieding will dive into the Santa Barbara Channel at Anacapa Island to attempt a solo swim across the Channel to Silver Strand beach in Oxnard - a distance of about 12.4 miles. If she succeeds (and we know she will!), she will be the second youngest open water swimmer to complete this crossing. Paige came to Channelkeeper with the idea of promoting her swim as a fundraiser to support our work to protect and restore the Santa Barbara Channel and its watersheds. A lover of the ocean and passionate about ocean conservation, Paige felt Channelkeeper was the perfect fit for her fundraising campaign. You can donate and read more about her fundraiser [here](#).

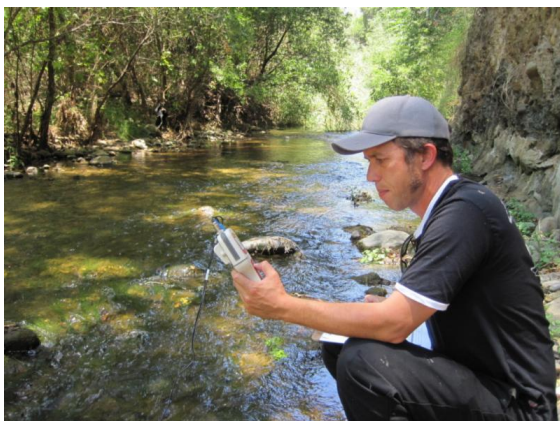
## Channelkeeper Community Survey

Have you taken Channelkeeper's community survey yet? We want to hear from you! Submit your response by 5:00 pm on September 9th and you'll be entered into a drawing to win a \$50 Patagonia gift card or other cool prizes. Be sure to share the survey with your friends, too!

[TAKE THE SURVEY](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Goleta Stream Team September 8



Stream Team is Channelkeeper's volunteer-based water quality monitoring program. Come join us to help monitor and protect our local waterways. Goleta Stream Team will meet on Sunday, September 8th at 10

### Biltmore Cup September 8



Santa Barbara Channelkeeper has been selected as the beneficiary of the 2019 Biltmore Cup, a paddle race for members of the [Santa Barbara Yacht Club](#) and [Coral Casino](#) and their guests, which will take

am. Please RSVP via [email](#). For more information, visit our [website](#), [email](#) or call us at 805.563.3377 ext. 3.

place on Sunday, September 8. All types of human-powered watercraft may be used (stand-up paddleboards, kayaks, surfboards, etc). If you're a member of the Yacht Club or Coral Casino, please [sign up](#) and paddle in the race, and invite friends to join you! You can also visit our table at the post-race festivities at the Coral Casino.

## Coastal Clean-Up Day 2019 September 21



Please join us for the 35th annual Coastal Clean-up Day on Saturday, September 21st 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](#). We will have some supplies available, but please bring your own bucket and gloves if you have them. Thanks for helping us keep our beaches and ocean clean!

## Creek Week September 21 - 28



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 21st with Coastal Clean-up Day. Join in guided nature walks, project tours, restoration events, beach and creek clean-ups, and much more! 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 clean water 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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