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Oakland Creek to Bay Day Volunteers Clean and Green Oakland Saturday, September 16, 2017

Oakland, CA – On Saturday, September 16th over a thousand Oaklanders are expected to participate in the largest volunteer day in the world. The **22nd Annual Oakland Creek to Bay Day** is part of [California](#) and [International Coastal Cleanup Day](#). Millions of volunteers will remove trash from streets, parks, shorelines and waterways across Oakland, California, the nation, and in about 100 countries. In Oakland, volunteers will remove trash and invasive plants from creeks, parks, shorelines and streets at over 50 locations throughout Oakland.

These local activities have large-scale environmental impacts. Habitat restoration and litter removal at Oakland's fifteen creeks improves **wildlife habitat** and helps **filter pollutants** before they reach the San Francisco Bay. Keeping trash out of streets and waterways also helps **prevent flooding** during rain storms by allowing storm water to flow through unobstructed storm drains. **Oakland Creek to Bay Day raises awareness** about sources of water pollution, and is a fun, community-building event for participants of all ages and abilities.

Volunteers on Oakland Creek to Bay Day work to prevent debris from entering our storm drains and creeks, which drain to the San Francisco Bay and out to the Pacific Ocean.

Oakland Creek to Bay Day and Coastal Cleanup Day volunteers also collect data about what kinds and amounts of trash they find and cleanup. This data collection has led to a better understanding of environmental problems with trash and to reduced packaging and harmful products at a consumer, producer, and regulator level. Eighty percent of all trash found in the oceans originates on land, and nearly ninety percent of that trash is plastic. These plastics accumulate and create environments that are harmful to marine life and human health.

In 2016, over 1,000 Oakland Creek to Bay Day volunteers removed nearly 32,000 gallons (equal to 1,066 30-gallon trash bags) of trash and 77,660 gallons of invasive plants from Oakland's creeks, parks, shorelines, and streets. Worldwide, nearly 800,000 volunteers prevented 18 million pounds of trash—equivalent to the weight of over 100 Boeing 737s—from entering inland waterways and oceans. We look forward to an even more successful event in 2017.

Visit www.oaklandcreektobay.org for an interactive map and table of project descriptions, locations, and times. Connect on Facebook via [Sustainable Oakland](#).
#oaklandcreektobay

Oakland Creek to Bay Day is sponsored by the City of Oakland Public Works Department, the Alameda County Flood Control & Water Conservation District, and the California Coastal Commission in conjunction with Coastal Cleanup Day.

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Volunteers are welcome at the following locations:

Creek	Volunteer Site	Meeting location	Time
Arroyo Viejo Creek	Arroyo Viejo Park	7701 Krause Avenue	9am-1pm
Arroyo Viejo Creek	Oakland Zoo	9777 Golf Links Road, lower parking lot	9am-12pm
Arroyo Viejo Creek	Toler Heights	98 th Avenue and Lawlor Street	9am-12pm
Cobbledick Creek	Marjorie Saunders Park	Painted rock at Ascot and Chelton Drives	9am-12pm
Cottonwood Creek	Beaconsfield Canyon	Beaconsfield Place at Keswick Court	9am-12pm
Courtland Creek	Courtland Creek	Brookdale and Courtland	9am-12pm
Courtland Creek	Courtland Creek Park	Courtland and Thompson Avenues	10am-1pm
Courtland Creek	Upper Courtland Creek	Courtland Avenue and Redding Street, Walgreens parking lot	9am -12pm
East Creek Slough	East Creek Slough	5401 Coliseum Way	9am-12pm
East Creek Slough	Lower East Creek Slough	5737 Oakport Street	9am-12pm
Elmhurst Creek	Edgewater Drainage Canal	7500 Edgewater Drive	9am-1pm
Estuary	Clinton Basin	Embarcadero and 6 th Avenue	9am-3pm
Estuary	Estuary Park	115 Embarcadero	9am-12pm
Glen Echo Creek	Glen Echo Park	Between 90 and 122 Monte Vista Avenue	9am-1pm
Glen Echo Creek	Oak Glen Park	3600 Richmond Boulevard	9am-12pm
Glen Echo Creek	Oak Glen Park	Westall Avenue and Richmond Boulevard	9am-12pm
Harwood Creek	Garber Park	Via Claremont Avenue entrance, near Ashby	9am-12pm
Horseshoe Creek	Leona Heights Park	Across the street from Carl B. Munck Elementary, 11900 Campus Drive	9am-1pm
Horseshoe Creek	Leona Lodge Meadow	4444 Mountain Boulevard	9am-2pm
Lake Chabot	Oakland City Stables	13560 Skyline Boulevard	9am-1pm
Lake Merritt	Channel Park	At pedestrian bridge at Channel Park, near Laney College Art Center	8am-1pm
Lake Merritt	Gardens of Lake Merritt-Bonsai Garden	666 Bellevue Avenue	9:30am-12:30pm
Lake Merritt	Rotary Nature Center & Lake Merritt Institute	600 Bellevue Avenue	8:30am-1pm
Lion Creek	Lion Creek Crossing	6818 Lion Way, Suite 105	10am-12pm
Lion Creek	Mills College	Kapiolani Road & Underwood Avenue	9am-12pm
Peralta Creek	Butters Canyon	3514 Butters Drive, near Robinson	9am-12pm
Peralta Creek	Peralta Hacienda Historical Park	2465 34th Avenue	9am-12pm
Peralta Creek	Peralta Pocket Park	Rettig Avenue and Wisconsin Street	9am-12pm
Port of Oakland	Middle Harbor Shoreline Park	2777 Middle Harbor Road	9am-1pm
San Leandro Creek	San Leandro Creek	Near 675 Hegenberger Road	9:30am-12:30pm
San Leandro Creek	Sobrante Park	105 th and Edes	9am-12pm
Sausal Creek	Barry Place	E 27th Street and Barry Place	9am-12pm
Sausal Creek	Dimond Park	3860 Hanly, near playground	8:45-12pm
Sausal Creek	Friends of Sausal Creek Native Plant Nursery @ Joaquin Miller Park	¼ mile past 3594 Sanborn Drive	9am-12pm
Sausal Creek	Fruitvale Bridge Park	Fruitvale Avenue and Alameda Avenue	8am-11am
Sausal Creek	Jingletown	300 Derby Avenue	9am-12pm
Sausal Creek	Montclair Railroad Trail	5921 Shepherd Canyon Road	9am-11am
Sausal Creek	Wood Park	2920 McKillop Road	10am-12pm

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Temescal Creek	Claremont DMV	Corner of Cavour Street and Redondo Avenue	8:45am-12pm
Temescal Creek	FROG Park	Hardy Circle and Miles Avenue	9am-12pm
Temescal Creek	North Oakland Sports Entry Garden	6900 Broadway, parking lot of North Oakland Sports Field	9am-1pm
Other	Chinatown	283 13 th Street	10am-12pm
Other	Creek Day Bike Tour from El Cerrito to San Leandro	Start at 1409 MLK, Jr. Way (Berkeley)	9am-4pm
Other	Morcom Rose Garden	700 Jean Street	9am-1pm
Other	San Pablo Avenue	3000 San Pablo Avenue	10am-2pm

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