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## City Receives Two Clean Air Awards

The City of Los Angeles recently received national recognition from the United States Department of Energy (DOE) for its commitment to the use of alternative fuels to improve air quality and reduce dependence on imported oil supplies. Tom Gross, DOE Deputy Assistant Secretary for Transportation Technologies, presented Detrich B. Allen, General Manager of the Environmental Affairs Department, with the Gold Star Award and the Legal Eagle Award at the National Clean Cities Convention in Philadelphia on May 15, 2001.

The City of Los Angeles received the Gold Star Award for adding 126 new electric vehicle (EV) recharging stations in 2000. As part of its Quick Charge Program, the City has installed approximately 380 EV recharging stations in and around Los Angeles. The stations are open to the public, so city and local organizations, as well as other EV users, can enjoy the convenience of additional recharging options. This is the second time the City



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### Join Forces with the Grease Avenger!

Stormwater pollution can be a big problem—especially in large urban areas like Los Angeles (*See the article on the SMURRF at right*). To combat this pollution problem, the City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation Stormwater Management Division has created numerous public education materials, including a comic-book format superhero called the “Grease Avenger” who teaches people to keep food waste out of sinks and other wastewater flows.



The Division website offers posters, stickers, pens, brochures, tee shirts and other materials to help get out the message, including a

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## What is SMURRF?

SMURRF is the Santa Monica Urban Runoff Recycling Facility—a state-of-the-art, dry-weather urban runoff treatment plant. The facility, which treats storm drain flows that may contain trash, sand, grit, and other pollutants such as oil and grease coming from streets, drains, and waterways all over the Los Angeles region, is the first of its kind in the nation. SMURRF acts as the last defense against allowing these pollutants to enter the Santa Monica Bay.

Santa Monica Bay is one of the West Coast's premier tourist destinations with more than 40 million annual beachgoers who swim, surf, sail, and play along its beaches. With a vast diversity of marine and avian species, the Bay is a critical natural habitat as well as foundation of a multi-billion dollar tourist industry. Therefore, restoration and protection of this resource is both economically and environmentally crucial.



*The SMURRF.  
Photo: City of Santa Monica*

Prior to 1993, some contaminated flows entered catch basins on streets in Santa Monica and Los Angeles were discharged directly into Santa Monica Bay through area storm drains. Since then, the Cities of Los Angeles and Santa Monica experimented with diverting the dry-weather flows from the storm drains to the region's largest municipal sewage treatment plant—Hyperion. SMURRF now captures the flows from the storm drains and treats the runoff in a multi-staged process:

- ♦ *Course and fine screening to remove trash and debris;*
- ♦ *Degritting systems to remove sand and grit;*
- ♦ *Dissolved air flotation (DAF) to remove oil and grease;*
- ♦ *Micro-filtration to remove turbidity; and*
- ♦ *Ultra-violet (UV) radiation to destroy pathogens.*

Once treated, this recycled runoff is used for irrigation in local parks, grassy road medians, and cemeteries, and for indoor plumbing purposes (such as toilet flushing) in some commercial buildings. By recycling the runoff, demand for imported potable water will be considerably reduced.

The facility is open to the public and was designed so that visitors can easily observe the workings of the treatment process. Artistic and architectural components have been incorporated in the facility's design and contribute to its “community-friendly” character. The SMURRF is a joint project of the Cities of Los Angeles and Santa Monica, the State Water Resources Control Board, the Metropolitan Water District, and funds from the Federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991, and California's Proposition A. For more information about the SMURRF and related programs of the City of Santa Monica, call (800) 200-8340 and/or see: <http://epwm.santa-monica.org/epwm/smurrf/smurrf.html>.

*Information provided here is from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's “Santa Monica Bay: Innovations in Treating Urban Runoff,” EPA842-F-01-006X.*

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has earned the Gold Star Award for increasing the number of alternative refueling stations in the Los Angeles area. For more information on the locations of the EV recharging stations, see [www.cleancarmaps.com](http://www.cleancarmaps.com).

For supporting major alternative fuel vehicle legislation at the federal, state, and local level, the City of Los Angeles also received the Legal Eagle Award. The City worked with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) in the development of the "Fleet Rules," which require government agencies to convert portions of their fleets to alternative fuels. The City also played a role in the development of several other rules and regulations including the California Air Resources Board (CARB) "Diesel Risk Reduction Program" and United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Heavy-Duty Vehicle Standards and Sulfur Control Requirements for Diesel Fuel.

The DOE's Clean Cities Program is a voluntary, locally based government-industry partnership designed to achieve cleaner air, reduce oil dependency, and stimulate local economic activity through the use of alternative fuel vehicles. The City of Los Angeles has participated in the Clean Cities Program since 1996. Our Clean Cities Coordinator, Lisa Wunder, can be reached through the Environmental Information Center at (213) 978-0888.

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downloadable guide on "How to Run a Successful Carwash Fundraiser" which describes environmentally-safe techniques as well as how to make more money in your fundraising efforts. The website is:

<http://www.lacity.org/SAN/swmd/index.htm>

For school-aged children, there is a "Special Agent Task Book" and Supplement to EcoTours targeting 3rd & 4th graders along with a "Clean Water Patrol" coloring book that teaches kids about their "urban forest" and how neighborhood behavior can affect the environment. See: <http://www.lacity.org/SAN/swmd/index.htm> to find out about the materials designed for school-aged children.



## TEACHER'S CORNER



Check out the Treetures! <http://www.treetures.com/>

Treetures are an environmental education effort with a direct focus on trees. They are a community of whimsical characters that are dedicated to carrying the message of tree planting and care. The Treeture Program promotes activities held throughout the country that combine environmental education with entertainment for children. Program partners are the International Society of Arboriculture, the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, American Forests, National Tree Trust, Trees America, and J.H. Blau, Inc.

**Trees are My Friends**—The Eagle Eye Institute's national campaign to engage urban residents in caring for city trees includes four television public service announcements, a poster, hotline, and website ([www.treesaremyfriends.org](http://www.treesaremyfriends.org)). The goal of the campaign is to raise awareness of the value and importance of urban street trees in urban neighborhoods and to educate residents about the role they can play in protection and maintenance of their community's trees. Six key metropolitan areas were targeted in the campaign launch: Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Chicago, New York, and Boston. The campaign is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and partners include the Alliance for Community Trees, National Tree Trust, National Arbor Day Foundation, California ReLeaf, TreeLink.org, and TreePeople (in L.A.). For more information, contact the Eagle Eye Institute: (617) 666-5222, [eeaglei@aol.com](mailto:eeaglei@aol.com) or visit: [www.eagleeyeinstitute.org](http://www.eagleeyeinstitute.org).

**The Guidelines for Excellence in Environmental Education** are now available online: <http://www.naaee.org/npeee/>. The National Project for Excellence in Environmental Education (NPEEE) and the Environmental Education and Training Partnership (EETAP) are pleased to announce availability of the Guidelines which represent a broad and accepted consensus on what constitutes "good EE" and will help educators develop comprehensive environmental education programs that integrate and build upon the high standards set by the core disciplines.



\$\$\$ FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES \$\$\$

(See the EAD website for ongoing grant opportunities without specific deadlines.)



**California ReLeaf Grants**—The next cycle of California ReLeaf grants will be available in early July 2001. These grants will be part of two programs—one on urban tree planting and the other on educational urban forestry projects. The grants are intended for community groups that plant trees on public lands. For more information, contact Elisabeth Hoskins: (949) 642-0127 or write to her at: [Elisabeth.Hoskins@tpl.org](mailto:Elisabeth.Hoskins@tpl.org).

**Patagonia Environmental Grants**—Patagonia, an outdoor clothing supply and equipment company, offers grants to encourage the environmental work of organizations with a strong base of citizen support—particularly small, grassroots activist organizations with provocative direct-action campaigns. Grants range from \$3,000-\$8,000. The deadline is August 31, 2001. Contact Jill Zilligen or John Sterling, Patagonia Inc., P.O. Box 150, Ventura, CA 93002 or visit: [www.patagonia.com:81/enviro/enviro\\_grants.shtml](http://www.patagonia.com:81/enviro/enviro_grants.shtml).

*The following are some National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Grants. For more detailed information about the Foundation and its other programs, see: [http://www.nfwf.org/programs/grant\\_apply.htm](http://www.nfwf.org/programs/grant_apply.htm).*

**Bring Back the Natives**

Supports on-the-ground habitat restoration projects that benefit native aquatic species (e.g., native fish, aquatic insects, mollusks, and amphibians) in their historic range. Full Proposal Due Date: August 20, 2001, Notification Date: December 20, 2001. Contact: Pam McClelland, [mcclelland@nfwf.org](mailto:mcclelland@nfwf.org), and visit: [http://www.nfwf.org/programs/rfp\\_2002.html](http://www.nfwf.org/programs/rfp_2002.html).

**National Wildlife Refuge Support Group Grant Program**

In an effort to encourage organizations to work with their local refuges to support conservation of the Nation's important fish and wildlife resources, the Foundation and its partners request proposals for projects that assist "Refuge Support Groups" to be effective co-stewards of the resources of our National Wildlife Refuge System. Eligible applicants are non-profit organizations or organizations that have applied for non-profit status, including "Friends" groups, Cooperative and Interpretive Associations, Audubon Chapters and other citizen support organizations interested in assisting a refuge or group of refuges and the refuge system as a whole. Applicants must either be tax exempt under section 501(c), OR be in the process of applying for 501(c)(3) status and submit with their grant application a copy of their 501(c)(3) application filing. Full Proposal Due Date: August 31, 2001, Notification Date: September 30, 2001. Contact: Trevor Needham, [needham@nfwf.org](mailto:needham@nfwf.org), and visit: <http://www.nfwf.org/programs/nwrgp.htm>.

**Native Plant Conservation Initiative**

Supports on-the-ground conservation projects that protect, enhance, and/or restore native plant communities on public and private lands. Projects typically fall into one of three categories and may contain elements of each: protection and restoration, information and education, and inventory and assessment. Full Proposal Due Date: August 20, 2001, Notification Date: December 20, 2001. Contact: Beth DeCarolis, [decarolis@nfwf.org](mailto:decarolis@nfwf.org), and visit: [http://www.nfwf.org/programs/rfp\\_2002.html](http://www.nfwf.org/programs/rfp_2002.html).

**Partnership with the Corps of Engineers**

To foster cooperation on projects of mutual interest, such as fish and wildlife habitat restoration, non-structural flood control opportunities, wetlands restoration, and endangered species protection. Deadlines vary. Contact: Cherie Peterson, [peterston@nfwf.org](mailto:peterston@nfwf.org), and visit: [http://www.nfwf.org/programs/publication\\_corps.htm](http://www.nfwf.org/programs/publication_corps.htm).

**Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation (PARC)**

Is a multi-sector partnership dedicated to the conservation of amphibians, reptiles and their habitats. NFWF has created the Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation Fund to help support priority PARC projects. Deadlines vary. Contact: Peter Stangel, [stangel@nfwf.org](mailto:stangel@nfwf.org), and visit: <http://www.parcplace.org/>.



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## JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### EACH MONTH:

#### Down-by-the-River Walks



Friends of the Los Angeles River and the Sierra Club are sponsoring monthly walks along the banks of the LA River. Join them at **4:30 pm. on the third Sunday of each month** for an informal, leisurely, hour-long walk. Location varies each month—some walks feature brief talks highlighting natural, historical, artistic, or political aspects of the River. The walk is canceled if it rains. For more info., visit the FoLAR website: [www.folar.org](http://www.folar.org), or call Joe Linton: (213) 381-3570.

#### Habitat Restoration Days



Help restore wildflowers, trees and shrubs that were once here 200 years ago at the Madrona Marsh Preserve. You are invited to help in planting, weeding and collecting and growing seeds **every second Saturday of the month**. Morning maintenance is done from 9am-noon **every Tuesday and Wednesday**. Call (310) 32-MARSH.

#### Hyperion Waste Water Treatment Plant Tours

Free public tours of the facility (located near El Segundo in Los Angeles) are available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday starting at 9 a.m. Contact Felice Kidd: (310) 648-5363 for details or to schedule a tour.

#### Japanese Garden Tours

Docent-led tours of the Japanese Gardens at the D.C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant in Van Nuys are offered during the day on Monday through Thursday and again on Saturday. Reservations are required. Call (818) 756-8166.



#### Afternoons in the Lab

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium's education staff and volunteers are available every Wednesday from 3-5 pm to answer questions and involve students of all ages in exploring local marine life in the hands-on Discovery SEA Lab. The lab, located at 3720 Stephen White Drive in San Pedro, opens with a different theme each week and activities include: using microscopes, examining specimens, creating art, playing games, exploring coastal habitat, and much more! The science education afternoon is free. Groups should make reservations. For more info., call: (310) 548-7562.

#### Satwiwa Sundays

From 10am to 5pm at Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa. Meet guest hosts, watch demonstrations and share the experiences of the Native American LA Community. Call (805) 370-2301.

#### Smart Gardening Workshops

The Los Angeles Countywide Yard Waste Program hosts Smart Gardening workshops year-round throughout the County. Topics covered include backyard and worm composting, grass recycling, and water-wise gardening. For more information, call (888) CLEAN-LA or visit [www.smartgardening.com](http://www.smartgardening.com).



"Smart Gardening" and Composting workshops also are held from **March through November** at Griffith Park. Call the Bureau of Sanitation: (213) 473-8228 for more information.

#### Nature-Bird Walk (Regular Fourth Weekend monthly event)

Two walks will take place—one on Saturday, and one on Sunday—both at 10 am. The walks will meander through the Madrona Marsh Preserve, starting at the Natural History Center in Torrance. Call (310) 32MARSH.



The EAD website, located at [www.lacity.org/EAD](http://www.lacity.org/EAD), contains updated information on this month's events. To ensure your event is included in our monthly newsletter, submit information to the editor by the 10th of each month prior to publication. After the 10th, events can be entered into our website calendar only.

The EAD reserves the right to edit all submittals and does not necessarily endorse the events listed. All events are subject to change, so call listed event contacts to verify information.

#### Recycling Workshops

Many workshops and seminars are regularly provided throughout the year on source reduction, recycling and composting. They have included topics such as Buying Recycled, Organics, Certified Buy Recycled Training Seminars, and Sustainable Construction. Please call the Bureau of Sanitation: (213) 473-8228

#### Tyke Hike

This hike is scheduled every first Thursday of the month in the Madrona Marsh Preserve and involves looking for animal tracks, listening for singing birds, observing habitat changes and wildflower cycles. A \$5 donation per family is requested for the Natural History Center Education Programs; reservations appreciated. Call Friends of Madrona Marsh: (310) 32MARSH.



#### Baldwin Hills Hikes

These are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month at Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area. Join them to learn about the nature and birds of the largest undeveloped area within the LA Basin. For details, see the LA Audubon Society website: [www.LAAudubon.org](http://www.LAAudubon.org) or call: (323) 876-0202.

## THIS MONTH:

### July 2

**Tales Between the Tides, Session One**—From 9:30-11 a.m. at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium (3720 Stephen White Drive, San Pedro). Call (310) 548-7562 or visit [www.cabrilloaq.org](http://www.cabrilloaq.org) for more information regarding this event and dates/times of the second session.



### July 4 Independence Day!

### July 7

**Breakfast Safari**—Come to the L.A. Zoo early (from 8:30-11:30 am) and catch some of your favorite animals starting their day. There's plenty of fish, hay, apples, and other foods to go around. A continental breakfast, crafts, and a tour are part of this fun morning for kids ages 3 to 7. Preregistration is required; call (323) 644-4211.

**Tour of the Bolsa Chica Wetlands**—Meet at 9 a.m. at the Reserve Walk Bridge (16531 Bolsa Chica Street, Huntington Beach, CA) to join the tour. Call the Amigos de Bolsa Chica for more information: (714) 840-1575.

**L.A. Zoo Student Volunteer Meeting**—High school students who have an avid interest in animals are encouraged to attend this meeting about the student volunteer program, (beginning at 10 a.m. in the Grand Room of the Norman Education Building). Come learn about this challenging course designed for 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade students who have the ability to donate 40 hours of service each year for two years. Classes begin in October and are held on Saturdays for 18 weeks. Call for an application packet: (323) 644-4703 or see: [www.lazoo.org](http://www.lazoo.org).

### July 8

**L.A. River Bike Tour**—From 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. participate in this quarterly non-strenuous bike tour,

departing from the LA River Center, 570 W. Avenue 26. For more information, call North East Trees at 323-441-8634.

### July 8-11

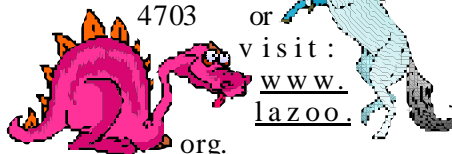
**California Resource Recovery Association Annual Meeting**—Co-sponsored by the US Environmental Protection Agency, the California Department of Conservation, Integrated Waste Management Board, and others, the meeting, entitled, "Imagine a World Without Waste" will address a multitude of recycling and waste management issues. The event will be held at the Pasadena Convention Center. For details, see: [www.crra2001.com](http://www.crra2001.com) and/or call: 1-916-441CRRA.

### July 10

**Music in the L.A. Zoo**—Don't miss this delightful evening of music under the stars. Eight acts will perform from 6-9 p.m. Visitors will also enjoy strolling musicians, jugglers, and magicians. For reservations, call (323) 644-6042.

### July 14

**L.A. Zoo Docent Volunteer Meeting**—Adults who enjoy being around both children and wildlife in a lush garden setting will want to attend this meeting to learn more about the docent program (beginning at 10 a.m. in the Grand Room of the Norman Education Building). Docents complete an intensive 22-week training course, then share their knowledge with others through education programs and touring. Applicants must be able to commit 100 hours of service each year for a minimum of two years. Classes begin in October and are held on Fridays or Saturdays. To receive an application packet, contact: (323) 644-4703 or visit:



visit:  
[www.lazoo.org](http://www.lazoo.org).

**Unicorns & Dragons**—From 9:30 a.m.-12 noon, come visit the L.A. Zoo to find out about these magical creatures...are they real? Where did they come from? Call (323) 644-4211 to register.

### July 14-15

**2001 Lotus Festival**—Brought to you by the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, this is an annual two-day event celebrating the people and cultures of Asia and the Pacific Islands. The festival, to be held from 12-9:30 p.m. at Echo Park Lake, will feature live cultural entertainment, exotic foods and drinks, boutiques, a carnival and area for kids. Call Joanne Venditto or Irena Seta for more information: (213) 485-1310.

### July 15

**The Green Series: "Sustainable Solutions to Our Energy Needs"**—A roundtable discussion with a panel of challenging thinkers moderated by noted actor/activist Ed Begley, Jr. Call TreePeople for reservations or to receive a full season schedule: (888) 922-3846.

**Down by the River Walk**—Walk the lower Arroyo Seco and learn about upcoming restoration efforts. Meet at 4:30 p.m. at Montecito Heights Park, at the end of Mosher Avenue, north of Ave 42. For details, contact Friends of the Los Angeles River at (213) 381-3570 or see [www.FoLAR.org](http://www.FoLAR.org).

### July 21

**Summer Whale Watch in the Santa Barbara Channel**—The LA Chapter of the American Cetacean Society will hold its annual natural history trip aboard the Condor to the Santa Barbara Channel from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. (but possibly later,



depending upon the whales!). Aboard the 88-foot Condor, the group will head to areas where blue and humpback whales have been feeding. Experienced naturalists will narrate the trip. Cost is \$60 for ACS members, \$70 for nonmembers and a \$5 discount is offered for early bird registrants. The trip price includes continental breakfast. Call Dave Janiger for more information: (310) 519-8963.

**Indonesian Family Festival**—This event will take place from 1-4 p.m. at the Pacific Asia Museum in Pasadena. The festival is held to celebrate Indonesian culture through music, dance, crafts and traditional arts. Call Rebecca Edwards at

(626) 449-2742, ext. 31 for more information.



**Monkey Madness**—Come to the L.A. Zoo and enjoy some monkey business as you get to know the various primates of the Zoo. We'll meet a primate keeper, learn fun monkey facts, and enjoy a delicious snack. The program will be held from 9:30 am until noon. Call: (323) 644-4211 to register.

## July 28 or 29

### Family Class on Backyard Buddies



Do you know who is living in your own backyard? Discover the wondrous world of backyard wildlife, and how these animals share their lives with ours. From butterflies to opossums, you will be amazed at the variety of animals living outside your own back door. This program will take place at the L.A. Zoo on Saturday and Sunday at 11 a.m. and/or 1 p.m. To register, call (323) 644-4211.

### Throughout July

**"Writing on the Wall"**—In North Hollywood at the Theatre of Hope, this event will take place at 2 p.m. on Sundays. By Jane Bernson and adapted to Spanish by Aifie Martin. Call Leslie de Beauvais for more information: (818) 766-9702, ext. 5.

### Looking Ahead:

**September 5-8, 2001**  
**National Urban Forestry**

**Conference**—"Investing in Natural Capital" is the theme of this conference, which will take place in Washington, DC. You can view the conference program at [www.americanforests.org/trees\\_cities\\_sprawl/conference](http://www.americanforests.org/trees_cities_sprawl/conference) or call Kasey Russell (304) 345-7578 for more information. Discount registration is available through **July 15**.



## December 31, 2001

**Smokey Bear and Woody Owl Poster Contest**—First- through fifth-grade students are invited to enter this poster contest sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, the National Council of State Garden Clubs, and the National Association of State Foresters. Posters must be submitted by **December 31** to the President of your state's National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. or to: NCSGC, Inc., 4401 Magnolia Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63110-3492. Call (314) 776-7574 for details of contest rules, or see the USDA National Symbols website to download contest flyers: <http://www.symbols.org/>.



*"Funding Opportunities" (Continued from page 4)*

### Pulling Together Initiative

Provides a means for federal agencies to be full partners with state and local agencies, private landowners, and other interested parties in developing long-term weed management projects within the scope of an integrated pest management strategy. Full Proposal Due Date: November 6, 2001, Notification Date: April 1, 2002. Contact: Gary Kania, [kania@nfwf.org](mailto:kania@nfwf.org), and visit: [http://www.nfwf.org/programs/rfp\\_2002.html](http://www.nfwf.org/programs/rfp_2002.html).

### Seeking Common Ground

Is a nationally-sponsored partnership effort undertaken by federal and state government agencies and private conservation organizations in order to achieve a common goal: maintaining and improving the health of America's rangelands for the benefit of wildlife and habitat. SCG attempts to achieve this goal by funding demonstration projects in the eleven western states that focus on reducing the conflicts that exist between wildlife interests and competing rangeland interests, such as those of the grazing, mining, timber, and oil and gas industries. Preproposal Due Date: June 22, 2001, Full Proposal Due Date: August 20, 2001, Notification Date: December 20, 2001. Contact: Brian Ocepek, [ocepek@nfwf.org](mailto:ocepek@nfwf.org), and visit: [http://www.nfwf.org/programs/rfp\\_2002.html](http://www.nfwf.org/programs/rfp_2002.html).

### Wildlife Links

Wildlife Links is a cooperative program between the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and the United States Golf Association (USGA) that funds cutting edge research, management, and education projects targeted at golfers and the golf industry. Preproposal Due Date: July 20, 2001, Full Proposal Deadline and Notification Date: to be determined. Contact: Peter Stangel, [stangel@nfwf.org](mailto:stangel@nfwf.org), and visit: <http://www.nfwf.org/programs/nfwfusga.htm>.





### **HOTLINE CONNECTION**

The Environmental Information Center (EIC) serves as a referral source to the community. Our hotline connection offers a list of the most frequently requested numbers. If the number you need is not listed, please contact the EIC at **(213) 978-0888**, or toll-free in Los Angeles only at **(800) 439-4666**. You can also visit our website at [www.lacity.org/ead](http://www.lacity.org/ead) and click on the Environmental Information Center Link.

**AIR QUALITY** - *Calidad del aire*  
South Coast Air Quality Management District  
(800) 288-7664

**ASBESTOS** - *Asbestos*  
Environmental Hygiene  
(213) 738-4078

**BEE INFESTATIONS**  
*Infestaciones de abejas*  
Vector Control  
(800) 233-9279

**BULKY ITEM PICK-UP**  
*Recogida de artículos grandes*  
L.A. City Bureau of Sanitation  
(800) 773-2489

**HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL**  
*Desembolso de materiales peligrosos*  
L.A. County Dept. of Public Works  
(888) 253-2652  
L.A. City Bureau of Sanitation  
(800) 988-6942



### **ILLEGAL DUMPING INTO STORM DRAINS**

*Depositos ilegales en los drenajes de  
desagües*  
Stormwater Management  
(800) 974-9794

**LEAD POISONING** - *Veneno del  
plomo*  
National Lead Information Center  
(800) 424-5323

**LEAF BLOWERS** - *Sopladores de  
hojas*  
Leaf Blower Complaint Line  
(800) 996-2489

**MOSQUITOES**  
*Infestaciones de mosquitos*  
L.A. West Mosquito Abatement  
(310) 915-7370

**RECYCLING** - *Reciclaje*  
City of L.A. Public Works Dept.  
(800) 773-2489

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