



SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

North Santa Monica Bay Watershed Coordinator Report January 8, 2025

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An aerial photograph of a clear, shallow body of water, likely a coastal area. The water is a vibrant blue-green color, with numerous small ripples and waves visible on its surface. In the lower-left corner, several dark, rounded rocks are partially submerged. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day.

Measure W: The Safe Clean Water Program
provides local, dedicated funding to increase our
local water supply, improve water quality, and
protect public health.

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On December 17, 2025,
the Native American
Heritage Commission
in Sacramento
responded to a formal
request to identify
Native American
cultures connected to
the North Santa Monica
Bay Watershed.
Here is the list.

Barbareño/Ventureño Band of Mission Indians
Cahuilla Band of Indians
Coastal Band of the Chumash Nation
Fernandeno Tataviam Band of Mission Indians
Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians - Kizh Nation
*Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission
Indians*
*Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal
Council*
Gabrielino/Tongva Nation
Gabrielino-Tongva Tribe
Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Northern Chumash Tribal Council
Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians
Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians
Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians



Facilitate Community Engagement In SCWP

- Attended Agoura Hills City Council Re-organization
- Upcoming meetings:
 - L.A. County Office of Education leadership and Watershed Coordinators to discuss SCWP
 - Councilmember Haylynn Conrad and Madelyn Glickfeld
 - Don Schmitz

Identify and Develop Project Concepts

- **Connected with Aaron Ordower and Madelyn Glickfeld to revisit project opportunities at Zuma Beach parking lot, Zuma Creek and Zuma Lagoon.**
- **Exploring how best to serve NSMB WASC if and when all funding is spent on completed projects / ongoing maintenance**

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TECHNICAL ADVISORY TEAM

- Will suggest TRP (again) to City of Malibu
- TRP may be a path for project(s) at Zuma Beach
- ***Recurring discussion point:***
both non-profits and water-centered engineering firms want to be able to apply for or be considered for TRP funding for their own work

Facilitate Identification and Representation of Community Priorities

- Does NSMB WASC want a presentation on *Untapped Potential: Leveraging Schoolyards for Stormwater Management and Climate Resilience* report by TreePeople?
- The Colorado River Indian Tribes group (CRIT) are working to declare that the Colorado River is alive; see Ian James' article for details

Integrate Priorities Through Partnerships and Extensive Networks

- RSVP'd for CREEC event in March 2026
- Attended Dec 19 Biodiversity collaborative
- Invited to tour site adjacent to L.A. River for LA28 Nativescaping project



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Leveraged / Outside Funding Pursued

- Encouraging schools and LACOE to consider CALTRANS collaborations
- Connecting SAMO Fund to Amigo de los Rios to lower costs for projects at schools

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Local Stakeholder Education

- Requesting presentation for NSMB WASC from CALTRANS on draft PCH Master Plan Feasibility Study
- **SAVE THE DATE: Malibu Lagoon Restoration celebration event on May 7th**



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Cost Share Partners

- Encouraging Schools and L.A. County Office of Education to consider CALTRANS collaborations
- Connecting SAMO Fund to Amigo de los Rios to help lower costs / accelerate start times for projects at schools

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Watershed Coordinator Coordination

- **December 4, attended monthly watershed coordinator meeting**
- **December 5, attended tribal allyship meeting**
- **December 9, working with watershed coordinators on possible schools and stormwater tour for Jackson Elementary School led by Claire Robinson**
- **December 14, met with Blake Whittington former watershed coordinator**
- **Dec 19, Attended Schools and Stormwater meeting**
- **Shared proposed Golf Course-to-housing project in Woodland Hills with Adi Liberman, ULAR Watershed**

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Scheduling Concerns or Issues

**New reporting process for
Watershed Coordinators
... feeling ... hopeful.**

The background image shows a large, well-lit indoor space, possibly a community center or a large hall. The ceiling is decorated with numerous international flags hanging from the top. In the foreground and middle ground, there are several tables covered with blue and white cloths. People are gathered around these tables, some looking at materials on display, others talking. A group of young men with backpacks are in the center. To the right, a woman in a white sweater is talking to a man. In the background, more people are visible, and there are large windows or glass doors. The overall atmosphere is one of a busy, organized event.

North Santa Monica Watershed Strategic Outreach Engagement Plan, 2025-2026

**Will be using upcoming NEW format
online**

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