1997 Goleta West Sanitary District **Street Sweeping Schedule**

Early Week Schedule		Early Weeks
MONDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY	ISLA VISTA AREA LAKE LOS CARNEROS AREA PACIFIC OAKS BRADFORD & BRANDON AREA EVERGREEN AREAS	August 5-8 19-22 September 2-5 16-19 October1-3 14-17 28-31
Regular	Week Schedule	
MONDAY	ISLA VISTA AREA	
WEDNESDAY THURSDAY	SANTA BARBARA SHORES WINCHESTER AREA DEL NORTE AREA DOS PUEBLOS AREA	Regular Weeks August 12-15 26-29 September9-12 23-26 October 7-10 21-24

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Watershed Management...

Non-point source pollution: a growing concern.

"A watershed is an area through which all water, whether from rainfall, creeks, or irrigation, drains to a common place, such as our ocean." As a natural watershed area the Goleta Valley gathers rainfall into it's many creeks, irrigation, and storm drains that eventually flow to the Pacific. Past efforts to limit and control pollution in watersheds have targeted what are referred to as point-sources such as wastewater treatment plants and industrial facilities. After years of strict regulation and installation of advanced treatment systems and controls, point-sources are found to discharge very clean water. Today, the largest source of water contamination is from a variety of common household and business sources such as lawns containing fertilizers and pesticides, animal and pet wastes containing bacteria and oils and metals from automotive use. Most people don't think of their yards, automobiles and pets as sources of water pollution, but they often are. After a storm, rainfall runs downhill sweeping parking lots, streets, yards and fields clean. The collected debris, full of bacteria from pet wastes, horse corrals, trash and other sources, washes

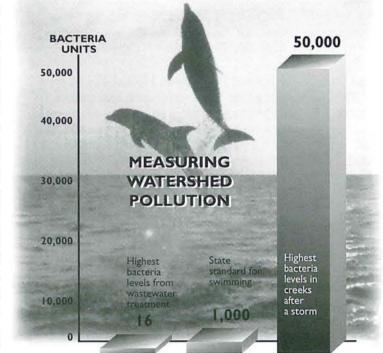


Hazardous Waste Collection Center Open **Every Weekend for Local Residents**

The Collection Center is open to households on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and Sundays from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Residents from the South County (Gaviota to Summerland) may bring up to 15 gallons of waste per month to the Center.

South Santa Barbara County residents and small businesses are invited to dispose of their hazardous waste at the Community Hazardous Waste Collection Center located on the UC Santa Barbara campus. A joint project of the Santa Barbara County Public Works Department, UC Santa Barbara and the Community Environmental Council, this program is offered to South County households free of charge. Businesses are charged a disposal fee.

down creeks and into the ocean. These forms of pollution are called non-point sources and actually represent the most significant amounts of contamination. We have listed a few things that we can all do to slow the spread of this non-point source pollution. (See pg. 3)



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Hazardous Waste

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Businesses wishing to use the center must qualify as a Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG), producing no more than 100 kilograms (27 gallons or 220 pounds) of hazardous waste per month. Business waste will be accepted at the Center on Fridays by appointment only. A fee will be charged to businesses based on the types and quantities of waste they bring in. Businesses should call CEC at 963-0583 ext. 104 or 105 for an appointment and rates.

The Center is located on Mesa Road on the UC Santa Barbara Campus. To reach the Center, take Los Carneros Road towards Isla Vista, turn left on Mesa Road and follow the blue directional signs to the Center. For more information, please call the Community Environmental Council at 963-0583 ext. 104 or 105

Since the Center opened in October, 1993, over 600 tons of hazardous waste has been collected and properly managed. The goal of the program is to recycle or reuse as much of the waste as possible. Of the waste collected each week at the Center, approximately 40% is sent for recycling, such as latex paint, motor oil, antifreeze and photochemicals. Oil-based paint, solvents and gasoline are used as a supplemental fuel in a cement kiln in Texas. Pesticides, acids, and other poisons are sent to a hazardous waste collection center for destruction in a high temperature incinerator in Utah. Materials that are in good condition and still usable are set aside each weekend on the "Materials Exchange" cart. If you see something on the cart that you can use, such as paint, caulking, or automotive products, you can take it, no charge!

New Commercial Rates.

On June 24, 1997, the Board of Directors approved a new rate ordinance. The District was able to hold the line at \$14.00 per month for residential users and implemented the second step of the State mandated rate increase for commercial users. The District had been subsidizing all rates with property tax revenues. This method of funding is not permitted for agencies receiving State loan funds. All funding for operation and maintenance cost must be provided by user fees. Commercial users will be allowed a one time discount of one third of the increase. Sewer billing will continue to appear as a line item fee on the annual property tax bill.

Commercial users will be charged proportional to the quantity and strength of sewage generated. The flow is measured by water use with allowance made for irrigation and non-sewage uses like cooling towers. Any commercial user seeking more information should contact the District office at 968-2617.



Santa Barbara Shores **Restoration Completed**

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We thought you would like to know that our recent project to remove trees whose roots were invading the main sewer trunk near Santa Barbara Shores was successfully completed. The results were the removal and clearing of fewer trees than expected. The cleared sewer easement (shown) offers an unobstructed path through the beautifully wooded area and is now easily maintained.



Spreading the Recycling Responsibility...

The California Integrated Waste Management Board recently awarded over \$3 million in grants to 43 non-profit organizations throughout the State to promote the recycling of used motor oil. Among those groups chosen are the YMCA and the Boys and Girls Clubs, who will use grants to set up recycling centers and collection events, develop public education materials and organize promotional events.

The improper disposal of used motor oil is a significant problem. The Board's research indicates that about one household in five may be dumping their used motor oil improperly, an alarming threat to the environment. Just one gallon of used motor oil poured down storm drains, into waterways or on the ground can contaminate one million gallons of water.

Funding for the Waste Board's grant program, which began in 1991, comes from an assessment on oil sold in the State.

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"Meet Your District Staff"



Mark Nation: Mark is the Operations Superin-Goleta West Sanitary District is pledged to meet the tendent. He supervises the field crew, collections wastewater management needs of the western Goleta system crew and maintenance operations. Mark also Valley. Our professional staff provides the District with acts as the chief inspector on construction projects. many years of experience and a strong work ethic.

Shown above, top row left to right:

Jack Zivic: Jack works in collection system operations, maintenance and is the lead member of street sweeping We welcome any questions or suggestions from those operations. we serve.

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Reducing NonPoint Source Water Pollution...

Steps you can take:

AT HOME

- · Buy nontoxic cleaners and household products. · Dispose of hazardous waste at the free drop-off
- center.
- · Use kitty litter to absorb outdoor spills of oil and cleaners.
- Clean up latex paint tools in the sink. Take oil base paints and solvents to the hazardous waste drop-off center.
- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly, and only according to instructions.
- · Pick-up animal wastes and dispose of in trash cans.
- · Never use the sewer line that runs from your home to the street to drain gutters or water from yards.

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Ruben Chavez: Ruben is the newest member of our team. He operates the street sweeper and is currently receiving training in collection system and vehicle maintenance.

Ken Spencer: Ken is the senior member of the collection system team. He is also an inspector on construction projects.

Bottom row left to right:

Diane Powers: Diane is the Office Manager and Board Secretary. She is responsible for District administration and bookkeeping functions.

Ralph Sogliuzzo: Ralph is the General Manager. He is responsible for the effective administration of the District's facilities and operations.

The goal of the staff is to manage the District's wastewater responsibilities with a dedication to quality, responsiveness and with economic soundness.

VEHICLES AND BUSINESSES

- · Recycle motor oil by leaving it for curbside recycling or at local oil collection centers. Dispose of antifreeze and solvents at the free hazardous waste drop-off center.
- · Prevent spills from construction sites and businesses.

CALL FOR HELP

· For free household hazardous waste disposal, call the Community Environmental Council at 963-0583 ext.105.

· For used motor oil recycling, call 1-800-670-7645.