Welcome to the new South Coast Habitat Restoration quarterly newsletter. You are receiving this email because either you signed up at some point to stay informed about SCHR or you have worked on projects with SCHR in the past. The goal of this newsletter is to keep interested parties informed about the projects that SCHR is involved with. This E-newsletter will be sent out on a quarterly basis. If you expressed interest in staying informed about local events you should also receive periodic emails about upcoming volunteer opportunities and community events. You can remove yourself from this email list at any time, see the unsubscribe link at the bottom of email.

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Lion Creek Bridge has been installed!

South Coast Habitat Restoration has been working on a steelhead passage restoration project on Lion Creek, a tributary to San Antonio Creek in the Ventura River Watershed. The restored creek channel will now flow unobstructed, migrating steelhead will be able to swim upstream and the land owner will have safe and reliable access across their property. Erosion control material and seeding will occur at the site before the first rains. Planting of native species to restore the site will happen this winter. For more information on the Lion Creek project click here.

Upcoming Events

Santa Barbara Creek Week
September 25th - October 3rd

17th Patagonia Salmon Run
Sunday, November 7th

CAL-IPC Conference, Ventura
October 14th - 16th

Volunteer Planting days at the Mouth of Carpinteria Creek this November dates TBA

11th Annual Santa Barbara Creek Week
**Creek Week** is an annual community event celebrating our local watersheds. For more information and a detailed schedule of this year's event [click here](#).

Please join **South Coast Habitat Restoration** along with **Channel Islands Restoration** on **Wednesday, September 29th**, from 12pm - 1pm for a tour of the Carpinteria Creek mouth habitat restoration project.

In addition please join us along with various members of the **Carpinteria Creek Watershed Coalition** for a presentation on **Wednesday, the 29th**, from 6:30pm - 8pm at Carpinteria's **Island Brewing Company**, to learn about recent restoration efforts throughout the Carpinteria Creek Watershed. For more information [contact us](#).

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**Carpinteria Creek Mouth Restoration**

South Coast Habitat Restoration, partnering with **Channel Islands Restoration**, started a restoration project at the mouth of Carpinteria Creek this summer. The goal of the project is to increase the habitat and ecological value of the mouth of Carpinteria Creek by removing non-native flora and the planting of native flora along the banks. Large sheets of black plastic were put in place over the last couple months in order to solarize the ice plant that dominates the creek banks. Once the ice plant is dead we will work with volunteers to re-vegetate the area with locally collected native plants. For more information on the Creek mouth project [click here](#).

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**California Conservation Corps Weedstrike team**

SCHR coordinated non native invasive plant removal this summer with a group of California Conservation Corps members. The crew is part of the Weedstrike team which travels all around the state working on non native plant removal projects. The Weedstrike team is funded through a grant by California Department of Forestry. The crew was out for one week in July and one week in August working in various parts of Santa Barbara County. Invasive species they targeted include: Arundo, Bladder Flower, Iceplant, Pampas Grass, Myoporum, and Cape Ivy. The crew will be back working with SCHR for another week in January 2011.

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**Cate School Bank Stabilization Project**

SCHR is getting ready to start a bank stabilization project along Carpinteria Creek at the Cate school. The project addresses a 300 foot section of eroding stream bank. The biotechnical bank stabilization design involves root wad structures and willow trenching. The project will decrease the amount of unnatural sediment flowing into the creek as well as improve the habitat quality for steelhead and other species along this portion of the creek.

SCHR is pleased to welcome Erin Brown to the SCHR staff. Erin is a recent graduate of the Bren School of Environmental Science and Management at UCSB, where her Master's degree specialized in Water Resource Management and Conservation Planning. Erin hopes to be an valuable part of SCHR, helping in all aspects of project development, funding, planning, permitting and implementation.

[more info](#)
The Mission of South Coast Habitat Restoration is to protect, conserve, and restore the various habitats and native biodiversity of Santa Barbara and Ventura. For more information please visit us at: schabitatrestoration.org

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