

#### FRIENDS OF LOS ALAMITOS WATERSHED **FOLAW**



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# Friends of Los Alamitos Watershed 4<sup>th</sup> Annual 2011 Coastal Cleanup





#### FOLAW's

#### **Vision Statement**

Our vision is to assure that Los Alamitos Creek is healthy, safe, beautiful, and in harmony with the historic town of New Almaden.

# 2011 Coastal Cleanup Safety Training Classes for Volunteer Event Leads



New Almaden Local Neighbors



Church of Christ Leaders



Early Morning Setup



Registration Crew

### Family Cleanup Crews



Los Alamitos Road Bridge Cleanup Crew





Jacque Gulch Cleanup Crew

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Almaden Reservoir Cleanup



Guadalupe Dam Volunteer Crew



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#### Watershed Education Outreach

San Jose's Children Discovery Center
BioSite Field Lab



Leland High School Peer leaders measure



4-H Children Discover Life in the Creek



First Aid Local CDF Crew Join in to help.



Event Lead Instruction
Data Collection



All volunteers were given supplies and snacks

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### Guadalupe Creek Cleanup









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#### Homeless Camps/Pot Farms/Illegal Dumps

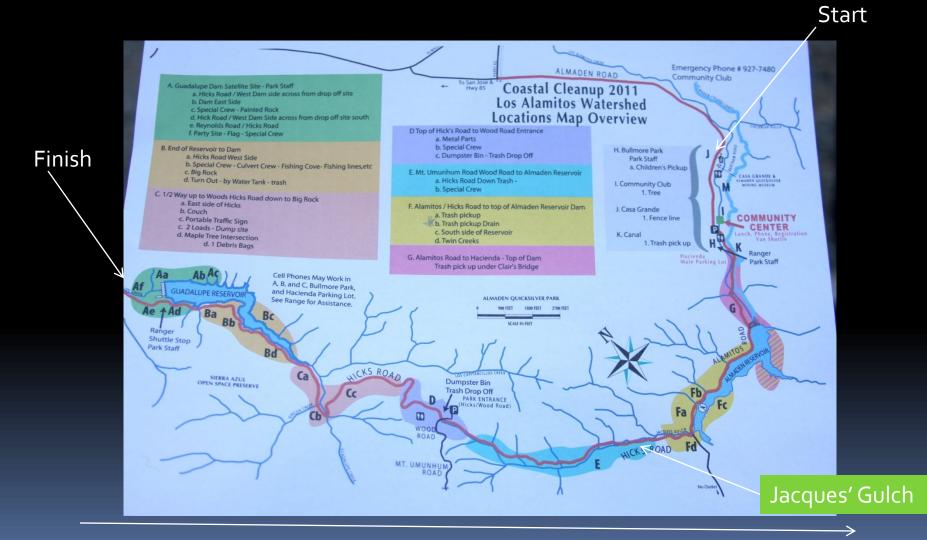




# Group Total Results

			lbs of trash	lbs of recyclables
Site	# Vol	Miles Cleaned	collected	collected
Vasona	96	7	325	150
Los Gatos Creek	33	2.2	100	30
Lexington	44	1	450	25
Hellyer	64	2	21.5	1315
Anderson	7	1.25	400	50
Coyote	4	1	30	10
Almaden	350	18	6350	42.50
Stevens Creek	50	4	200	150
TOTAL	648	36.45	8070	5980

# FOLAW's Coastal Cleanup Map Overview



### One Day of Volunteering

- The sponsored one day event registered 350 volunteers,
- who collected 6350 lbs or 3.5 tons of trash and recyclables from the 18 miles of the Los Alamitos and the Upper Guadalupe

watersheds.

#### FOLAW's Contribution

- FOLAW volunteers collected 80% of the total pounds of collect trash from the 8 sites listed in the previous chart.
- Including, 71% of all the total recyclables pounds collected.
- With 55% of the total volunteers, who volunteered for all of the sponsored sites.
- These volunteers cleaned 18 miles of roadways, streams and lakeshores or 50% total of all group miles.

#### **Helping Hands**



In-Kind Volunteer Hours
Based on the City of San Jose's standard volunteer rate of \$23.29 per hour.

FOLAW's volunteers recorded 2,849.30 of donated hours to date this year.

Giving a total dollar value of \$66,360.19.

#### We Set Records

 Our Coastal Cleanup event set a record. We cleanup with the largest number of volunteers and gathered the most trash covering the greatest distance than any other group in either County of Santa Clara and the County of Santa Cruz.



#### Bay Area 'trash hot spots' list is out

By Paul Rogers

"Two years ago, state water regulators passed new laws requiring Bay Area cities to dramatically reduce the amount of trash flowing into the bay, with a goal of no trash by 2022.

The cities, which could face fines for violations, are increasing street sweeping, putting lids on public garbage cans and installing nets and other gear to catch trash in storm drains."- By Paul Rogers



# FOLAW's Contribution Total Maximum Daily Load

We are proud our volunteers helped meet the State Water Quality Board 's TMDL goal of reducing the amount of trash flowing to San Francisco Bay from the Guadalupe Watershed.

FOLAW's volunteer cleanup efforts may save our public agencies and the Santa Clara Valley Water District from being fined thousands of dollars by the California Water Board by keeping the Upper Guadalupe River off the TRASH HOT SPOT list.

#### Volunteer Rewards



#### **Delicious Potluck Lunch**

Donated by the Volunteers, FOLAW, NACC, Church of Christ, and SCCP&R



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Cleanup Stories



Family Fun and Games

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# Church of Christ and FOLAW Volunteer Crews





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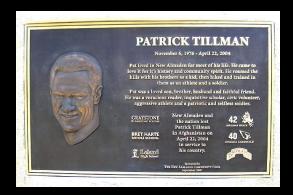


Reflection

#### Collaboration

- New Almaden Community Club
- Peggy and Sid Melbourne President
- Santa Clara Valley Water District
- Kate Slama Event Coordinator
- City of San Jose
- Sandy Derby Children's Discovery Center Ed Director
- Mid Pen Open Space District
- Santa Clara County Parks and Rec. Department
- Julie Mark Acting Director
  - Gloria Gill- Volunteer Program Manager
  - Bill Burr Calero Senior Ranger
  - Dan Hill Calero Senior Maintenance Lead
  - Frank Deto Calero Maintenance
  - Frank Mercado Calero Maintenance
  - Paula Bringelson Calero Ranger
  - Flint Glines Calero Ranger

#### THE NEW ALMADEN COMMUNITY

















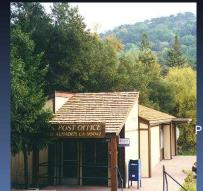


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#### Invitation

FOLAW's board members formally invite the County of Santa Clara Supervisors Board Members to join us for our

2012 Coastal Cleanup event September 15, 2012.



# One bag of trash removed One baby saved

