

HEAL THE OCEAN



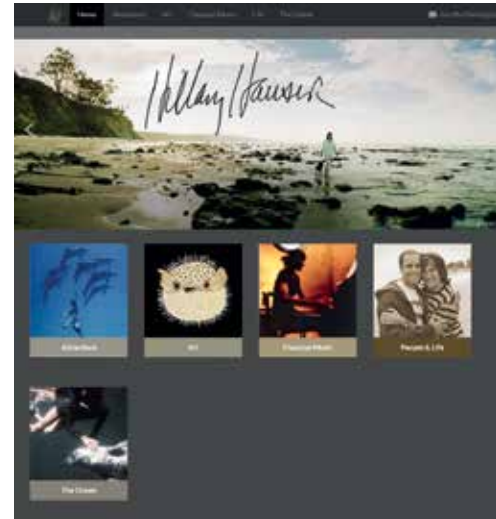


Jean-Michel Cousteau was honored at SBIFF with his children, Fabien & Celine Cousteau

Founding HTO Board Member **Jean-Michel Cousteau** was feted January 2015 at the Santa Barbara International Film Festival when the prestigious **Attenborough Award For Excellence in Nature Filmmaking** was presented to the **Cousteau Family – Jean-Michel** and his son and daughter **Fabien and Celine** — for their decades-long commitment to educating the public and discovering the mysteries of the ocean...HTO alumnus employee **Sarah Treadwell** continues to work with the **Regional Water Quality Control Board** hazmat staff on prioritizing the contaminated groundwater sites in the City of Santa Barbara for the purposes of State-funded cleanup (a project HTO has been working on for many years). This year, Sarah has not only graduated from Cal Poly in June 2014 with a Bachelor of Science in Earth Science and a minor in Soil Science, she has landed a full-time position as a Engineering Geologist with the Regional Board's Site Cleanup Program!...



Graduation day at Cal Poly: Sarah Treadwell with niece Danielle



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Three days after Jack's Bowl Concert, HTO Executive Director **Hillary Hauser** held a party at Oniracom (HTO's website masters!) to celebrate her 70th birthday with the launch of her website **www.hillaryhauser.com**, which contains her writings, music criticisms, photographs and art, gathered and produced during her extensive journalism career...

We thank **Laura Camp** and **Elise Wygant** for helping our longtime public workers **Ruston Slager** and **Ava Everett**, in manning HTO's booth at Earth Day, where they sold dozens of our popular T-shirts, as well as our all-new hoodie and zip-up sweatshirts....



Laura Camp at the HTO booth on Earth Day 2015

We also thank the **Santa Barbara Downtown Organization** for giving us TWO 10-day rounds during 2014 to fly our popular blue flags in the State Street Flag Program. Our flags, featuring our well-known logo of happy dolphins was designed by **Chris Wilkinson of E-Wave** in 1998, when we started. Heal the Ocean is the first environmental group to fly flags in this popular community activity...we were invited into the program in 2009.



HTO'S NEW OFFICE

Yes! We've moved again...and this time we're staying, with a nice long lease at 1430 Chapala Street, Santa Barbara. We have been able to move out of Goleta storage, and with everything under one roof, and with **Hillary's "Fantastic Fishes"** paintings on many of the walls, the HTO staff can more easily work together on our Mission.

HTO office administrator Grant Schmitz and policy administrator James Hawkins



We thank Daniel Rieckmann for getting us wired up and for keeping us going...



Here is Heather Hudson at her desk, planning HTO's next Event

COVER PHOTO BY MORGAN MAASSEN

About the dramatic photo on our cover, internationally acclaimed photographer Morgan Maassen writes, "This photo was taken at Rincon point on a stormy spring evening. After surfing for several hours, the wind started swirling and crazy clouds darkened the evening sky. I grabbed my camera and opted to swim to capture the moodiness of the evening, and despite the surf quickly becoming lackluster, I was stoked to get this photo that captured the bizarre light of the approaching storm." Thank you, Morgan.



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MESSAGE FROM HILLARY



As you read this newsletter, you'll see Heal the Ocean celebrating, and being feted for, our success at getting the Rincon septic-to-sewer project finished, and certainly we do love hearing the stories of surfers shouting with glee at being able to surf a "septic-free Rincon!"

However, as much as we love the fun of celebration, we are wasting no time getting into the biggest phase of our Mission: *Getting wastewater out of the ocean.*

During the 15 years it took us to work on getting the Rincon septic-to-sewer project built, we were asked many times, "Why do you think it's so great to collect all this stuff and spew it into the ocean?"

We said then, and we say now, "Just wait." Getting septic systems into the sewer systems we likened to sweeping a floor into a dustpan (the wastewater treatment plant). The emptying of the dustpan, we knew, needed work. We knew we would get to it, and we told our detractors so.

Today, Heal the Ocean is working with every wastewater and water district on the Santa Barbara south coast to help them access \$625 million in state Water Bond (Proposition 1) funding to transform wastewater treatment plants on the south coast into recycled water plants. This means *getting wastewater out of the ocean.*

HTO is in the unique position of facilitating this work. Through our excellent contacts with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), which is administering funds for Facilities Upgrade Planning grants, and through our meaningful communication with the Department of Water Resources (DWR), which is managing the fierce California drought, and also through our excellent contacts with reputable engineering firms (RMC Water, Santa Monica, and Dudek, Santa Barbara) to help us strategize, Heal the Ocean is a strong force for change.

Every day, we are working with district managers, consultants, state agencies and engineers, arranging meetings and working out solutions, to establish a path to move forward on this issue.

At the same time, James Hawkins, HTO Policy Director, has been doing deep, meticulous research, to support our advocacy efforts on recycled water – from Indirect Potable Reuse (IPR) or Direct Potable Reuse (DPR), or Title 22 tertiary water for irrigation. On pages 10 of this newsletter, you will see James's Infographic, with impressive numbers for the amount of water that can be saved by turning ocean discharge pipes around. In addition, HTO members will soon receive a white paper authored by James and titled *"Purified Water: A New Water Resource for California."*

We could do none of this work without you, our dear supporters. We would like you to think of your financial help being multiplied 10 times, 100 times, no...1,000 times over...because your funding of Heal the Ocean is resulting in millions of dollars of State funding for all of our South Coast wastewater plants to turn their pipes around.

"Turn the Pipes Around!" has in fact become a new song in our office, and as you read this, a popular Santa Barbara band is in the process of turning it into a rock and roll piece. We can't wait to hear it played.

Thank you for helping.

Hillary Hauser
Executive Director

Thank you, Poehler-Stremel Charitable Trust

HTO once again extends its deep thanks to the Phyllis S. Poehler/Walter E. Stremel Charitable Trust, St. Paul, Minnesota, for the funds to publish this newsletter and to continue our other avenues of outreach. We thank Bill, Pam & Lily Poehler of Santa Barbara (long-time HTO supporters) for their enthusiasm – it means much to us.

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HEAL THE OCEAN FETED FOR RINCON PROJECT

RINCON PROJECT WINS AWARDS

HTO is proud to announce that the Rincon Septic-to-Sewer Project has won the following awards for the Carpinteria Sanitary District and Stantec (formerly Penfield Smith) engineers:

CASA
(California Association of Sanitation Agencies)
2014 Capital Project of the Year

ASCE
(American Society of Civil Engineers)
Santa Barbara/Ventura Chapter
2014 Project of the Year

APWA
(American Public Works Association)
Central Coast Chapter
2014 Environmental Project of the Year (\$2M-\$5M category)

CSDA
(California Special Districts Association)
Santa Barbara County Chapter
2014 Contractor of the Year Award (Travis Agricultural Construction)

APACA
(American Planning Association California Chapter)
2015 "Hard Won Victories" Award



HTO started in 1998 downstairs and outside on the steps of the County Administration Building promising the demonstrators we'd do something, as seen in this August 26, 1998 *Santa Barbara News-Press* article. In January 2015 we were upstairs being feted for doing the work we promised the public we'd do (opposite).



"RINCON ENHANCEMENT" NOT HTO PROJECT

PLEASE NOTE: Due to confusion on the part of the public, Heal the Ocean needs to clarify that we are not involved with Groundswell's "Rincon Enhancement Project," which proposes to raise funds to install a paved or gravel path to the Rincon beach from the South Parking lot, and to work with State Parks to install interpretative signs and overlooks, and investigate feasibility of sewer hookup of South lot bathrooms. Whatever funds Groundswell is raising for its project is NOT an extension of Heal the Ocean's work at the Rincon, and we regret any confusion for people who think they may be donating to us.



“Whereas without Hillary Hauser and Heal the Ocean's commitment to clean water and incredible drive, leadership, and perseverance to seeing the Rincon and the other local beach communities sewerred, and the vital role played by the Carpinteria Sanitary District, which stayed steady through this difficult and expensive process, and recognizing the steadfastness of the Rincon homeowners who held fundraising drives to help cover Heal the Ocean's tremendous legal expenses and cash outlays, this incredible accomplishment might not have come to fruition. The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board hereby commends and thanks Heal the Ocean and all of the numerous helpers and supporters that made this effort such a memorable success.”

Sharing a standing ovation from the Regional Water Quality Control Board: Holding the Commendation plaque – RWQCB Chair Jean-Pierre Wolff and Hillary, and to her left, RWQCB member (and HTO co-founder) Jeff Young. RWQCB members in background, L to R: RWQCB Vice Chair Monica Hunter, Michael Johnston & Bruce Delgado. (Photo by Cheryl Tomchin)

HTO Executive Director Hillary Hauser was all smiles after HTO not only received a Commendation from the Regional Water Quality Control Board on January 19, 2015, but also from the California State Senate and the County Board of Supervisors. The Commendation was presented to Heal the Ocean in recognition of HTO's great success in working with the Carpinteria Sanitary District (CSD) to bring the Rincon Septic-to-Sewer project to fruition. Paying tribute from the County Board of Supervisors were Janet Wolf – 2nd District Supervisor – and Eric Friedman – speaking for 1st District Supervisor Salud Carbajal. Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson's salute was made by her aide, James Joyce. The Regional Board Commendation was read by RQWCB Board member (and HTO Co-Founder) Jeff Young.

In the audience were surfers who helped raise funds for sewer engineering studies; Rincon homeowners (Steve Halsted – who led the Rincon homeowner drive for funds to pay for legal work –spoke in praise of HTO); Penfield & Smith (now Stantec) engineers who worked on the project; CSD Manager Craig Murray with CSD board members; and HTO Board members, staff and supporters. There was a standing ovation when Hillary introduced those in the audience who helped with the project, and ended her words with appreciation and thanks to all involved. It is not lost on us that Heal the Ocean started in 1998 during a public protest at the County Administration Building and 16 years later we were now "upstairs," being feted for finishing what we told the public we would do way back then.



HTO CONTINUES CAMPAIGN FOR STRONG LOCAL REGULATIONS



Toro Canyon



Cold Spring



Sycamore Creek



Mission Canyon



Hope Ranch



Buena Vista Creek

While Heal the Ocean is being feted at State, County and Regional levels for our success in a 15-year battle to get septic systems off the beaches in South Santa Barbara County, we are still battling for stronger septic regulations in Santa Barbara County so that a 15-year war doesn't break out every time there is a movement to fix a problem area.

Throughout 2014, Heal the Ocean participated in a stakeholder process led by County Environmental Health Services to develop a Local Area Management Program (LAMP) that complies with AB 885 – a state law authored by then-State Assemblywoman Hannah-Beth Jackson and others governing septic systems. In AB 885 there is a provision (Tier 2) for individual counties to develop their own, tailored regulations according to their particular needs. This Tier 2 provision is called the Local Area Management Program (LAMP).

Heal the Ocean objected to the draft LAMP that came out of the year-long stakeholder process and we approached the Regional Water Board for intervention, testifying that the proposed regulations were weak, and ultimately unable to target areas needing repair or require upgrade where upgrade is needed.

The Regional Water Board supported our request, the draft LAMP went back to the stakeholder committee, and a revised draft was developed that sets up a regulatory path through an “Advanced Management Protection Program” to identify and address areas with existing polluting septic systems. The Regional Water Board is currently evaluating this draft and determining their preferred path forward for the Advanced Management Protection Program, conferring with HTO regarding details. The Regional Board is expected to punt its draft back to the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors by late spring or summer of 2015.

HTO continues to monitor this issue closely because it is critical that the County develop regulations that address pockets of existing septic systems – at risk of polluting adjacent groundwater or surface water bodies – without precipitating additional long and expensive fights – like at Rincon.

PROBLEMATIC POCKETS OF SEPTIC SYSTEM USE

Areas still on septic identified with a medium to high problem rating in Santa Barbara County's 2003 Questa Sanitary Survey and cited in the LAMP.

Focus Area	Problem Rating
Arroyo Paredon	Medium/High
Toro Canyon	Medium/High
Buena Vista Creek	Medium/High
Cold Spring	Medium
Sycamore Creek	Medium/High
Mission Canyon	Medium/High
Hope Ranch	Medium/High
Veronica Springs	Medium/High
Sunset/Carol	High
Vista Vallejo	Medium/High
Upper Fairview	Medium
Painted Cave Area	Medium/High
Los Olivos	High
Ballard	Medium/High
Santa Ynez Area	High
Janin Acres	High



Veronica Springs



Los Olivos



Ballard



Santa Ynez



Janin Acres



Vista Vallejo



Aerial view of the now completed Oak Park Storm Water Infiltration Project (City of Santa Barbara)

PERMEABLE PAVERS PAVE THE WAY TO GROUNDWATER RECHARGE

In February 2015 Heal the Ocean submitted two letters of support for the City of Santa Barbara's dual applications for stormwater grant funding from the State, and we were more than happy learn that the City has been awarded over \$3.4 million to construct its proposed stormwater projects.

These projects will replace asphalt with “permeable” pavers that allow rainwater to seep through to the soil – recharging groundwater and reducing the urban runoff that pollutes the City's creeks and, eventually, the ocean. The pavers will be installed in the 600 and 700 blocks of Quarantina Street, at Alice Keck Park and Memorial Gardens, the Plaza de Vera Cruz alley, and at two City parking lots at 620 Laguna Street.

At Heal the Ocean, we believe that stormwater is also a waste of water. Instead of it being needlessly



The most crucial measure stormwater prevention is to keep polluted water from going straight down the drain.



Permeable pavers at Oak Park were installed by the City to help reduce polluted runoff.

disposed of in the ocean (after picking up all the waste, oil and other pollutants in the streets), we need to use it productively as a water resource. The permeable paver does just that by converting rainwater into groundwater.

Heal the Ocean salutes the Santa Barbara City Creeks Division for its proactive pursuit of state grant funding for projects such as this.

HTO ATTACKS CONFETTI

After the Summer Solstice parade of 2015, Heal the Ocean got a call from a concerned business owner on State Street, who invited us over to look at the storm drains in the block of the Arlington Theater. These drains were stuffed full with confetti, some of which was made out of mylar and plastic products, which would look very attractive to fish if it ended up in the ocean after a rain event.



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After our dialogue with the City Creeks Division on this issue, the Creeks Division began to price out various solutions. In May 2015 HTO met with Cameron Benson, director of the Creek Division and Jim Dewey, Facilities and Energy Manager of the City Public Works Department, who reported their proposed pilot program for upcoming State Street parades.

Big Green, a Santa Barbara environmentally-savvy cleaning organization, will prep and place place “silt fencing” over all catch basins and drop inlets located along the parade routes for Solstice and Fiesta, which will then be swept by the traditional street sweepers following the festivities.

Once again, Heal the Ocean salutes the City Creeks Division for their aggressive action on a storm water issue - this one being made of confetti!

Illegal Polluting Activities

If you see illegal leaf blowing into the gutters, or washing of sidewalks into the gutters, or anything that doesn't look right to you, call the HTO office right away (805) 965-7570. We will have the appropriate City or County official out to the site immediately!

ONE LARGE LEAP FOR OCEANKIND.....TURN THE PIPES AROUND!



A sample of our vision for advanced water recycling: the Reverse Osmosis facility from Orange County's Groundwater Replenishment System. (Photo Credit: Larny Mack, Courtesy of CDM)

HTO LEADS CHARGE ON RECLAIMING WASTE(D)WATER OUR BIGGEST PROJECT YET!

When the City of Santa Barbara fired up its public process to reinstate its Desalination Plant, Heal the Ocean went before the Santa Barbara City Council and presented our plan to fund an Indirect Potable Reuse Study with RMC Water, Los Angeles, for the upgrading of both quantity and quality of the recycled water in the City's existing recycled water facility – now being rebuilt to include ultrafiltration. Working with RMC, we ultimately expanded the scope of that study to include the assessment of groundwater recharge opportunities with advanced treated recycled water across the Santa Barbara County south coast.

We have now presented the results of our scoping plan for the RMC study – the **Santa Barbara Regional Groundwater Recharge Feasibility Study** – to each of the sanitary and water district managers in the region and, as a result of these meetings, have provided an important template on which the districts

have begun to formulate their own feasibility studies for advanced water recycling. As a result of our encouragement and assistance, these districts are now working to fund these studies through the Facilities Planning Grant Program from the State Water Board in order to get in line for California Water Bond (Proposition 1) funding to construct advanced water recycling facilities (see “Water Bond Funding Opportunities” on page 9). We have made enormous progress in recent months, including:

City of Santa Barbara: The largest part of HTO's study with RMC Water is centered on working to upgrade the City's recycled water plant to produce at least 5 mgd of high-quality “gold standard” recycled water as a potential new water supply. As part of the Regional Water Quality Control Board permit requirements for its Desal Plant, the City is conducting a study with Carollo Engineers to evaluate advanced water recycling

opportunities. HTO is coordinating with the City Public Works Dept. to make sure their study includes everything we've had outlined in the RMC study to fully evaluate the feasibility of advanced water recycling supplies.

Goleta Sanitary District, Goleta West Sanitary District and Goleta Water District:

After meeting throughout April and May 2015 to present our RMC proposal for their comments, the district managers of the Goleta agencies are now putting themselves in place to apply immediately for a Facilities Upgrade Planning grant, which will include phases of water quality all the way to Direct Potable Reuse (DPR).

Carpinteria Sanitary District and Carpinteria Valley Water District:

These agencies are currently in the middle of a facilities upgrade plan, initiated on their own with the assistance of the same RMC consultant Heal the Ocean is working with.

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The district managers hope to determine if Carpinteria's groundwater basin can be utilized for recharge with highly treated recycled water.

Montecito Sanitary District and Montecito Water District:

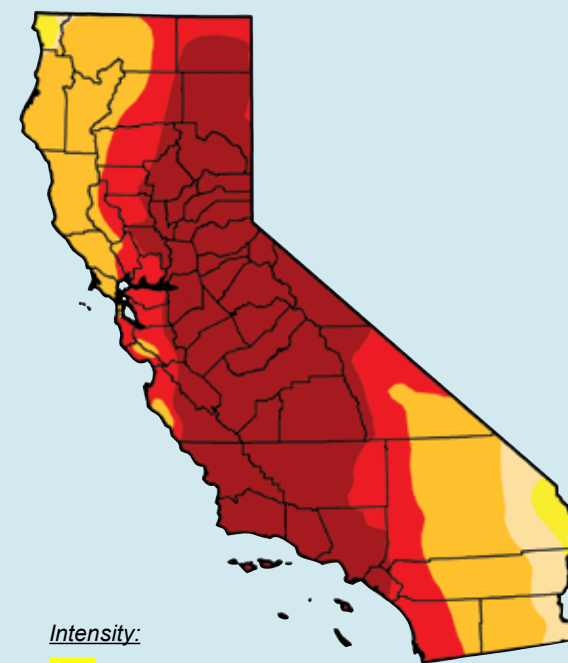
Both Montecito agencies have commissioned a study through Dudek Engineering to evaluate the condition of Montecito's groundwater basin in order to determine next steps in improving its water supply. HTO has provided a third of the funding for this study, thanks to a generous donation provided by HTO Board Member **Thomas Dabney**.

In coordination with consultants from both RMC Water and Dudek, Heal the Ocean will be also working hard to help public agencies to secure funding for wastewater plant upgrade, as well as to educate the public on the benefits of recycled water projects.



THE DROUGHT = APPRECIATION OF WATER

HTO motto:
No More Waste(d)water!



Credit: United States Drought Monitor, California Drought Conditions, May 12, 2015.

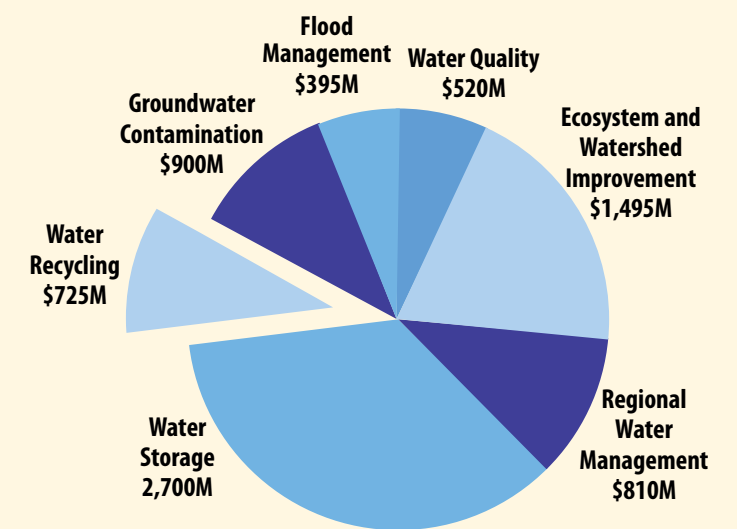
WATER BOND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Money, money, money – where to get it?

Approved by voters in November 2014, Proposition 1 (the Water Bond) authorizes a total of \$725 million for water recycling projects – a huge boon to statewide efforts to reuse a wasted resource. The State Water Board will be administering these funds and recently released draft guidelines for water recycling funding. Key details include:

- Recycled water facilities planning grants are now available for up to **75% of planning costs** for up to a total of \$75,000;
- Recycled water projects will be eligible for a maximum of 35% of eligible construction costs for **up to \$15 million**;
- The “match” of funds required by the State grant can be provided by the State with **1% low interest financing**, which reduces the financial hit to ratepayers.

HTO is offering any and all assistance to secure funding to get recycled water projects to groundbreaking, whether it be help on applications, consultant expertise, or information for Districts that pursue these projects.



HTO WHITE PAPER ON PURIFIED WATER

"Purified Water: A New Water Resource for California" is a new white paper by Heal the Ocean Policy Director **James Hawkins** that shows how advanced treated recycled water is a safe, affordable, sustainable, and proven water supply alternative. This special document will be coming your way soon!



HTO PLATFORM

The following five areas are contained in Heal The Ocean's mission statement:

- Seek funding for wastewater infrastructure upgrade
- Septic systems - remove from improper areas
- Non-Point Pollution/Storm Water
- Ocean dumping
- Leaching landfills & dumps

WASTE(D)WATER

A NEW WATER RESOURCE FOR THE SANTA BARBARA REGION - BY HEAL THE OCEAN

In the midst of the worst drought in decades, Heal the Ocean is working with water and sanitary districts to purify and recycle the millions of gallons of treated wastewater dumped into the ocean. This update to our Waste(d)water™ Infographic reflects the most recent water and wastewater data from 2014 and illustrates the enormous potential for recycled water in the Santa Barbara region.

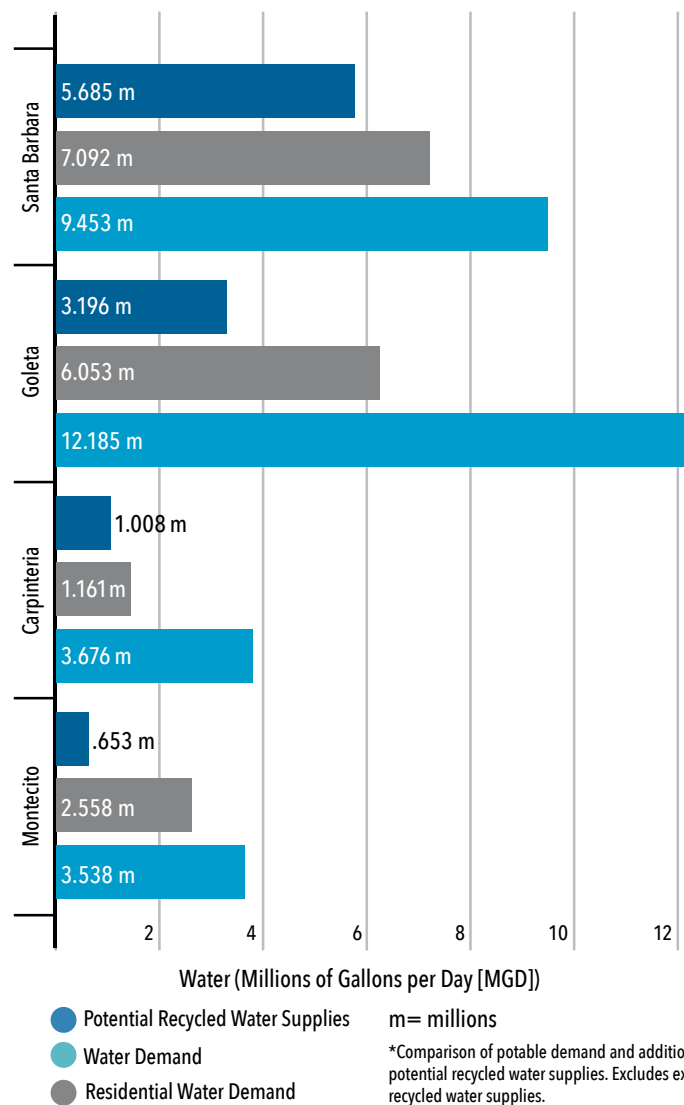
▼ **12,403,333 Gallons**

Amount of treated wastewater dumped into the ocean every DAY across the Santa Barbara County south coast.

NO MORE WASTE(D)WATER

We should turn all our wastewater into clean and reliable recycled water to irrigate our parched landscapes and recharge depleted groundwater aquifers.

POTENTIAL RECYCLED WATER SUPPLIES (MGD)*

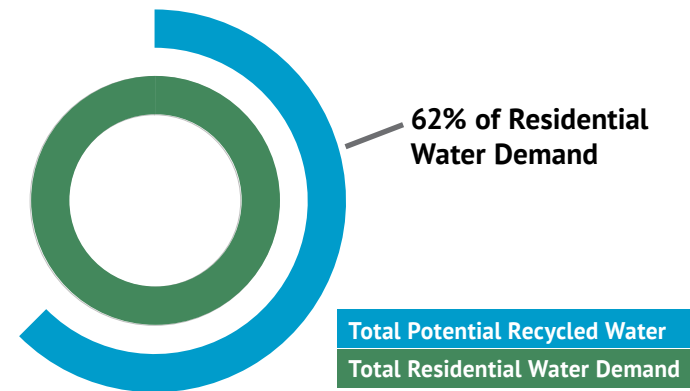


A SIGNIFICANT NEW WATER SUPPLY

Potential recycled water supplies could supply or offset over a **third of total water demand** across the south coast.

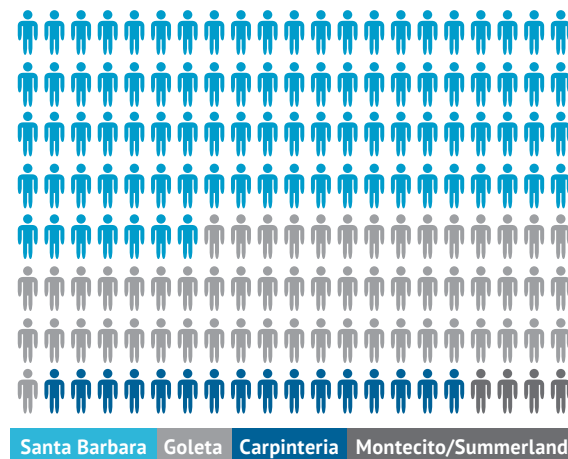
▲ **36%** Total Water Demand, including all commercial, agricultural, institutional users that could be met and/or offset by Potential Recycled Water Supplies

▲ **62%** Total Residential Water Demand that could be met by Potential Recycled Water Supplies



👤 **129,910 Residents**

Total population on the Santa Barbara County south coast that could be supplied with potential Recycled Water Supplies



JOIN US IN STOPPING WASTE(D)WATER!

Heal the Ocean is committed to converting our region's significant wastewater supplies into clean and reliable recycled water - will you join us?

To view our assumptions and data, please visit <http://bit.ly/1QYou6c> Acknowledgements: Thank you to all the district managers and employees that assisted us in securing the data necessary to produce this infographic.

OTHER ISSUES HTO IS WORKING ON...

CLIMATE ACTION PLANNING

In May 2015, HTO submitted comments to the County of Santa Barbara outlining our concerns with the County's lack of a coordinated and comprehensive adaptation planning process for climate change. We have applauded the County's efforts on sea level rise planning to date but, as this newsletter went to print, we don't feel the County's draft Energy and Climate Action Plan addresses other



critical areas of adaptation, from dwindling water resources to more intense wildfires fueled by rising temperatures and a drier climate.

BEACH BACTERIA OBJECTIVES

The State Water Resources Control Board has initiated what is expected to be a multi-year process to amend California's existing Statewide Bacteria Objectives, which govern whether beaches violate water quality standards for bacteria – a key measure of the health risks of swimming in contaminated waters. HTO submitted a comment letter in February 2015 outlining our concerns with some of the preliminary changes to the bacteria objectives proposed by State staff.



We will be continuing to monitor this as it develops and working to ensure that amendments protect the health of swimmers, surfers, and all people who go to the ocean for recreation.

STATEWIDE DESALINATION AMENDMENT

In April 2015, HTO sent a letter to the State Water Resources Control Board on its proposed regulations for desalination with our recommendations that this Amendment more aggressively address the risk that desalination poses to the full development of recycled water supplies. While State staff maintains that the regulations adequately addresses the issue, HTO remains vigilant on how the use



of wastewater for brine dilution in seawater desalination projects will hinder the development of recycled water supplies that are generally cheaper and more environmentally friendly than desalination.

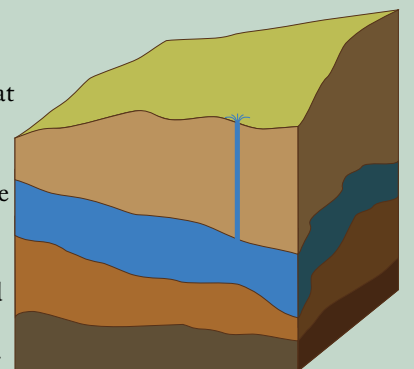
DIRECT POTABLE REUSE EXPERT PANEL



This year we supported the City of Santa Barbara's statement to the State Water Resources Control Board that the severity of the drought necessitates a more aggressive timeline for the completion of state standards for Direct Potable Reuse (DPR) – which would preclude current regulations on potable reuse that require the use of an environmental buffer and at least a 2 month retention time prior to final delivery to water customers. The SWRCB has convened an expert panel on the issue, and we don't think this panel is not moving fast enough in light of the times. Grant funding during California's drought highly prioritizes DPR, yet wastewater and water agencies don't know have standards by which to engineer wastewater plant upgrades to include DPR.

GAINING ON GROUNDWATER

Heal the Ocean has tackled contaminated groundwater sites since our inception. We have spent years identifying the particular contaminants, with our researchers pulling up data on old landfill sites as well as records of each monitoring well in the City of Santa Barbara. In 2013, we hired then-Cal Poly student Sarah Treadwell to help the Regional Water Board scan stacks of Santa Barbara County hazmat files on contaminated sites into the State's "Geotracker" database. The work by Sarah Treadwell – who was recently hired by the Regional Water Board as a full-time Engineering Geologist – has spearheaded the Regional Water Board project to produce a Priority List of contaminated sites in the City of Santa Barbara.



HTO received this Priority List at the beginning of May 2015, and we are now researching how to access funding for cleaning up the sites that have been rated High on the list. Our big thanks go to Thea Tryon, Kristina Olmos, and Sarah Treadwell at the Regional Water Quality Control Board for working with us on this project, and our gratitude goes as well to the Santa Barbara County Fire Department, which helped us get all of the hazmat information out of boxes and up to the Regional Board where it could be scanned into a computerized database.

In trying for a state Local Groundwater Assistance (LGA) grant in 2012, HTO had organized Regional Board staff (Tryon/Olmos) with former Santa Barbara County Fire Chief Michael Dyer and current County Fire Chief Eric Peterson, together with a Geosyntec consultant (Rob Almy) to initiate the project of transferring the data to the Regional Board so that all the information would be in a place where something could be done about the problem.

We didn't get the LGA grant, so we hired Sarah Treadwell to work with the Regional Board and proceeded with the work anyway. We now have our Priority List and the work goes on from here!

¡CUREMOS EL OCÉANO!



HTO'S ANNUAL PARTY AT THE EL PASEO - SOLD OUT!

What a magical evening! Just before dinner, partygoers were serenaded by guitarist **Sam Adams**, and then - behold! - a surprise performance of the **Santa Barbara Choral Society** of the "Brindisi" ("Drinking Song") of Verdi's *La Traviata*, featuring a rousing choral response to Orange County tenor **Xavier Prado** and Santa Barbara soprano **Christine Hollinger** who descended the stairs over the El Paseo stage while singing the famous "*Libiamo, libiamo ne'lieti calici*" aria. We thank the wonderful donors to our Live Auction: El Taj Condo Hotel, Playa del Carmen, Yucatan; Encanta la Vida, Costa Rica; Biltmore Santa Barbara, Ty Warner Hotels and Resorts; and a South Pacific diving cruise from **Jean-Michel Cousteau**. We then danced into the night with Hillary's favorite local beach-party band - the **FOG (Favorite Olden Goldies)** - and there was a surprise performance on accordion by the one and only **Zach Gill** from the **Animal Liberation Orchestra (ALO)**.

Thanks to **Heather Hudson & Shannon Trotta** for organizing this fun party! And thanks to **Karen Williams, Kate Rees, Dan Secord** and other members of the Choral Society. Last but not least, thank you, dear **Julia Louis-Dreyfus** for being our wonderful honorary chair, for always helping us!



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SOFAS ROJAS

Francesca Cava
Betsy Denison
Cindy & Robert Gelber
Kenny Loggins

FENÓMENO

Gay Bryant
Frank & Bonnie Burgess
Tom & Nancy Crawford
Thomas Dabney
Jed & Kat Hirsch
Jodie Ireland & Chris Baker
Victoria Pauley
Brett Matthews & Ginger Salazar
Tom & Barbara Stevens



Top row: In the balcony, the Santa Barbara Choral Society Chorus, with soprano Christine Hollinger and tenor Xavier Prado singing principal parts from the stairs (lower right); 2nd row: a Circle Dance for Hillary's 70th birthday, with Hillary & Chris Baker in the center; Hollinger & Prado in Verdi's "Brindisi" drinking song. 3rd row: Jany Brown & Eric Friedman; Zach Gill of ALO jamming with the FOG; Danny & Paula Waldman. 4th row: Tiare Barel & Damien Clenet rattling cucarachas with Graham Farrar; Kenny Loggins & Allison Clay; Nan Marr & Jean-Michel Cousteau hoofing it up with Hillary. Bottom row: Laurence & Brian Hodges; Hillary, Hiroko Benko & Mayor Helene Schneider; Bendy White, Das Williams & Jeff Young. Last row: Will Jackson & Cece Morton.

SAVE THE DATE!

Put on your
Blue Suede Shoes
and join Heal the Ocean
at the
Historic El Paseo
for

AN EVENING WITH
ELVIS!



SCOT BRUCE AS ELVIS

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 17, 2015



Rock and Roll with Heal the Ocean
at our Annual Celebration!

"The closest they can get to Elvis
in the flesh, is Scot Bruce." -CNN

DON'T MISS THE
FUNNEST PARTY OF THE YEAR



SOTHEBY'S INTERNATIONAL HELPS HTO 5TH YEAR IN A ROW!

For the fifth fabulous year in a row, **Sotheby's International Realty** chose HTO as one of the non-profits to award the proceeds of their one-year (2014) collection of a portion of its real estate commissions! We are not only in awe of the sizable donation made to us, we are proud to be honored along with four other wonderful charitable organizations in Santa Barbara County. We give deep thanks to all of the Sotheby's realtors as well as big bear hug to Greg Tice, Sotheby's Senior Vice President and Brokerage Manager, who always runs a great show at the awards ceremony at the Cabrillo Arts Center in December 2014.

Greg Tice & Hillary Hauser

JACK & KIM JOHNSON'S ALL AT ONCE PROGRAM FILLS DISPENSERS

Heal the Ocean teamed up with **Jack Johnson** on his 2014 *From Here to Now To You* Tour and All At Once, a Johnson Ohana Charitable Foundation social action network, to raise funds to contribute to the County for purchase of the Bio Bags the County stocks in its doggy bag dispensers. Only three weeks after we announced that All At Once would match all donations one for one – up to a Great Dan-sized \$2,500, we had our full amount in three weeks. At the end of 2014, All At Once matched us, and the \$5,000 from this campaign added up to a total HTO contribution of \$17,800 for 2014 – enough to fund 75% of the entire County doggy program (See "Bag History" on opposite page.)



Thank you, Jack & Kim!



THANK YOU, SANTA BARBARA SHELLFISH & DINING.COM!

For the month of May, **CentralCoastDining.com** gave half-off discounts on \$60 certificates for diners to spend on a dining experience for two at **Santa Barbara Shellfish Company**, with 10% of the proceeds from this offer benefiting Heal the Ocean. Thank you, CentralCoastDining.com, and thank you Santa Barbara Shellfish Company!



1% FOR THE PLANET

Plum Goods of Santa Barbara has given a generous donation to HTO through 1% For the Planet... along with a lovely note expressing appreciation for what we do. Owner Amy Cooper stocks her store with "upcycled gifts," which include an array of items made by Santa Barbara citizens by hand – "recycled, fair trade, organic or simply inspired." We also received another generous 1% For the Planet donation this year from **Hoyt Tarola, of Tarola Properties**, Ojai...the second year in a row for Hoyt. Please patronize Tarola Properties and Plum Goods and other 1% For the Planet businesses...this amazing program has raised over \$100 million for environmental causes.



Plum Goods

HOORAY FOR BEACH CLEANUPS!

In May 2015 a Santa Barbara City College team called the HTO office asking to form a HTO Beach Cleanup Team to clean up Leadbetter Beach, and after that, the beaches of Isla Vista. We thank this group for its initiative, and for making our coastline a little bit better for all of us!



The SBCC team first attacked Leadbetter Beach....



...and had smiles at the end:
Damian Calvillo, Brienne-cein McCurry, Owen Strassner, Kevin Vanier, Moriah Mickelbury, Nicolas Barton

Note: Heal the Ocean will give Community Hours to any student who organizes a beach cleanup of at least 2-3 people (more is better, and every team member gets Community Hours!). All you have to do is pick a beach, call Grant at the office (805) 965-7570 to request HTO t-shirts (free!), clean your chosen beach of trash, record what you've removed, take a picture of your group, and e-mail photos to Grant@healtheocean.org. Thank you!



AVS JOINS HTO DOGGY BAG DISPENSER PROGRAM

Advanced Veterinary Specialists, a 24/7 emergency veterinary hospital in Santa Barbara, has signed up for the HTO/County Doggy Bag dispenser program...and their generosity means we are now able to fill dispensers at inland parks as well as the beach! You will see their sticker with the adorable herding dog at Manning Park, Montecito, as well as Tuckers' Grove, in addition to Goleta Beach Park. AVS is an important part of our pet-loving community of Santa Barbara. Coming to AVS means you have been referred by your regular veterinarian to them, or are in a state of emergency. AVS specializes in Surgery, Oncology, Internal Medicine, Cardiology, Dentistry, and, of course, Critical Care. Thank you, AVS!



Dr. David Dawson

Dr. David Dawson continues on as HTO Doggy Hero, in renewing his annual \$6,000 commitment to provide funding for the stocking of 8 dispensers from Summerland and Montecito to Arroyo Burro (Hendry's) Beach. Dr. Dawson owns Montecito Pet Hospital, San Roque Veterinary Hospital, HydroPaws and Santa Barbara Veterinary Group, all of which are advertised on the dispensers.

Please patronize these wonderful sponsors!

HTO also thanks **Leslie von Wiesenberger** for continuing her funding of the Rincon County Park dispenser bags, in honor of her beloved dogs **Rocky and Rambo**.

HTO appreciates all the dogs who donate directly to the bag program on-line (\$60 buys 1,500 bags). Here are a few of our 2014-2015 doggy donors:



Pi from NYC, in Central Park snow

Aye'la in the Santa Barbara sunshine

Bodie Courain having fun in the fields

BAG HISTORY

In 2010, when HTO learned that Santa Barbara County, in trimming its budget, was considering dropping the \$23,000 price tag of stocking dog bag dispensers, we jumped into action with our Dog Bag Dispenser program. We started by buying the Bio Bags ourselves, with volunteers stocking the dispensers. Finally we asked County Parks if its rangers could resume their stocking of dispensers, so that HTO could focus on the fundraising. In 2014, HTO was able to raise \$17,800 for non-plastic Bio Bags to stock the dispensers of Santa Barbara South County beaches, and with the arrival of AVS to our program, we were able to report to the County Board of Supervisors in April 2015 that we are already at the \$10,000 mark for 2015.

HTO Dog Dispenser Program raised \$17,800 in 2014 to send to the County for Bags, and we are already over \$10,000 in 2015!

In 2014, our sponsors and contributors were able to fund 75% of the entire County Doggy Bag dispenser program!

This successful public-private partnership has protected the County program from a budget cut to the bags and helped clean up our beaches and trails since 2010.

ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS ON A DISPENSER!

We've nearly got the beach areas covered, and are now moving into open spaces. Dispensers highlighted in tan are available. Dispensers highlighted in yellow have been reserved.

AREA	#	AREA	#
PARKS		OPEN SPACES	
Arroyo Burro	3	Calle Barquero	1
Goleta Beach	3	Lassen	1
Tuckers Grove	4	Patterson	1
Lookout Park Summerland	1	Patterson	1
Manning Park Montecito	3	Terragona Open Space	1
Oceanview (Summerland)	3	Terragona Open Space	1
Rincon	1	Tobano bikeway	1
Toro Canyon	1	Tobano Hollow	1
BEACH ACCESS		Town & Country	1
Butterfly Beach	1	Town & Country	1
Loon Point (Padaro Lane)	1	University Circle	1
Wallace (Summerland)	1	University Circle	1
Posilipo Lane (Montecito)	1	Via Regina	1
Santa Claus Lane		Via Regina	1
Eucalyptus/Miramar	1	Rhoads Neighborhood Park	1
Eucalyptus/Hammonds	1	Rhoads Neighborhood Park	1

Call the HTO office (805) 965-7570, or e-mail info@healtheocean.org for information and prices on dispensers where you can advertise your business!

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR BAGS

We wish we didn't have to post this plea, but HTO hears about it all year long – the problem of used doggy bags, tossed by the side of the trail, into the rocks, at the beach, etc. This defeats the purpose of cleaning up after your pooch! Please take care to properly dispose of used doggy bags.

With Deep Appreciation

Heal the Ocean sends its sincere thanks to these contributors who have helped assure the success of our campaign for a clean and healthy ocean. This roster records donations made from May 1, 2014 to May 15, 2015. If your name has been omitted, we sincerely apologize and ask that you please call (805) 965-7570 so that we can correct our records.

Mystery Amount	Turpin Family Charitable Foundation	Jed & Kat Hirsch	Roberta & Stan Fishman
Marie Morrisroe	Leslie Sinclair von Wiesenberger	La Centra-Sumerlin Foundation	Mina Goena-Welch
\$15,000 - \$20,000	\$2,000 - \$2,999	Terilynn Langsev	Susan & Palmer Jackson Jr.
Brian & Laurence Hodges/ WWW Foundation	Anonymous (2)	Judy Little/ William B. Little & Judith A. Little Charitable Trust	in honor of Francoise Park
Francoise & James Park/ Geopark	Francesca Cava	Leonard & Melanie Judson	Dan & Marilyn Johnson
\$10,000 - \$14,999	Roger & Sarah Chrisman/ Schlinger Chrisman Foundation	Pat & Mike Kelley/ Mike Kelley Construction	Leonard & Melanie Judson
Anonymous	Elizabeth B. (Betsy) Denison/ Denison Family Foundation	John & Christina Lund	Pat & Mike Kelley/ Mike Kelley Construction
Roy E. Crummer Foundation	David, Theresa & Summer Dolotta/ Dolotta Family Charitable Foundation	Tim Metcalfe in memory of Paul Turpin	John & Christina Lund
Dan & Rae Emmett	Georgia & Ted Funsten	Cece Morton	John & Christina Lund
Poehler-Stremel Charitable Trust	Robert & Cindy Gelber	Janet M. Nancarrow	John & Christina Lund
Adam & Kara Rhodes/ WWW Foundation	Ken & Nancy Goldsholl/ M&M Foundation	Devon Geiger Nielsen/ B&B Foundation	John & Christina Lund
\$5,000 - \$9,999	Marilyn Magid/ Frank & Marilyn Magid Charitable Fund	Susan O'Connor in honor of Cricket Wingfield	John & Christina Lund
Anonymous	Ron & Susan Morrow/ Capital Group Companies Charitable Foundation	Mike & Ann Pless	John & Christina Lund
David & Lyn Anderson	Leanne Schlinger/ Schlinger Family Foundation	Joan Pascal & Ted Rhodes	John & Christina Lund
Sandy & Tim Armour	Keri & Charlie Starbuck/ Haskell Fund	Susan W. & Carl W. Robertson	John & Christina Lund
Brittingham Family Foundation	Olivia Erschen & Steve Starkey in honor of Luise Phelps, Peter & Nini Seaman, Victoria & Carter Hines, Bill & Dani Hahn, Jodie Ireland & Chris Baker	John & Cynthia Sanger	John & Christina Lund
Yvon & Malinda Chouinard	\$1,000 - \$1,999	Gayle Nagy /Summit Funding*	John & Christina Lund
Condo Hotels Playa del Carmen*	W. Adler	Henia Szkolnik in memory of Eric Sutherland	John & Christina Lund
Thomas Dabney/ Christopher Foundation	Maren Hansen & Steve Aizenstat/ Aizenstat Hansen Family Fund	in memory of Eric Sutherland	John & Christina Lund
David Dawson/ Montecito Pet Hospital, San Roque Pet Hospital	Cooper Allebrand/ Turpin Family Charitable Foundation	Ron Torchia/ FLIR Systems Inc.	John & Christina Lund
Julia Louis-Dreyfus & Brad Hall/ Hall Charitable Trust	Alma Rosa Winery*	TRUIST Truist Comprehensive Distribution	John & Christina Lund
Just Folk/Marcy Carsey & Susie Baerwald	Hiroko Benko/Condor Express in memory of Fred Benko	Gebb Turpin/ Turpin Family Charitable Foundation	John & Christina Lund
Jes MaHarry/Sun Horse*	Philip & Leslie Bernstein/ Bernstein Family Fund	Sander & Virginia Vanocur	John & Christina Lund
Ron & Stacy Pulice/Pulice Trust	Brittingham Family Foundation in honor of Arnette Zerbe: Butterfly Beach Caretaker 2014 Local Hero	Dianne & Daniel Vapnek/ Dianne and Daniel Vapnek Family Fund	John & Christina Lund
Sam & Sherilyn Scranton	Wendel Bruss/ Argonaut Charitable Foundation	Daniel & Paula Waldman/ Forester Communications	John & Christina Lund
Sotheby's International Realty Foundation	Gay & Ernie Bryant in memory of Cynthia Hollister Nagel	April Walstad	John & Christina Lund
Ty Warner Hotels & Resorts*	Frank & Bonnie Burgess	Jeff & Jana Young	John & Christina Lund
\$3,000 - \$4,999	Heather & Kelly Clenet	Alex & Gina Ziegler	John & Christina Lund
Anonymous	Thomas & Nancy Crawford	\$250 - \$499	John & Christina Lund
All at Once/Johnson Ohana Charitable Foundation	Dancing Tides Foundation	Ron Beardsley	John & Christina Lund
Advanced Veterinary Specialists (AVS)	Paul & Downing Denison/ Denison Family Foundation	Darlene Bierig	John & Christina Lund
AQUEOS Corporation/ Ted & Carolyn Roche and Larry & Wendy Barrels	Paul & Tiffany Dore	Joe Bourdeau	John & Christina Lund
Heather Hudson & Keith Crummer	Harry & Sharon Felder	Pat Brooks	John & Christina Lund
Chris Baker & Jodie Ireland/ LOJO Foundation	Green Star Coffee*	Steve & Chris Brown/ Clayton & Carolyn Brown Foundation in memory of Eric Brown	John & Christina Lund
Mike & Laura Lodato		Mary Bucholtz	John & Christina Lund
Kenny Loggins/Higher Vision		Melissa & Michael Costello in memory of Courtney Seeples	John & Christina Lund
MarBorg Industries		Talie Cutler	John & Christina Lund
Henry & Nanette Nevins/ Nevins Lewbel Property Mgmt.		Cornelia & Glen Davis	John & Christina Lund
Amy Cooper/1% For the Planet/ Plum Goods		Mimi deGruy	John & Christina Lund
Mary Jane & Ronald Steele/ Steele Family Foundation		William & Wendy Drewry III	John & Christina Lund
		Tisha Ford	John & Christina Lund

Hermine & Gary Gallup	Jon Wilcox in memory of Diana Estep & Danny Wilson	David & Mary Holzhauer/ Holzhauer Revocable Intervivos	Bob Saunders, D.V.M. in memory of Busted the Cat
Eliot Crowley & Debra P. Geiger/ B&B Foundation	\$100 - \$199	Frank Hood	Lee & John Scheuermann
Richard & Lois Gunther/ Jewish Community Foundation of LA	Betty L. Austin	Victoria & Lachlan Hough	Maida & Duffy Smith
William W. Hildreth	Joe & Kathy Beyers	Karen Ingram	Mrs. John Soper
George Eskin & Hannah-Beth Jackson	Norman & Rita Blau/ Norman & Rita R. Blau Family Trust	Sue Jamgochian	Ginny & Garrett Speirs
Rich & Cindy Jorgensen	Hannah Bradley	Lorinda Johnson	Jo Jo & Gary Stauffer
Pamela Petri-Humphrey	Wesley Bredall in memory of Eric Sutherland	Michael Stubbs & Glenn Jordan	Rosalind (Roz) Stubenberg
Jeanene & Kent Pierce	Ani Casillas	Craig Joujon-Roche in memory of Edward Joujon-Roche	Joann Tall
Heloise & Sandy Power	Mrs. Barbara K. Chaney	Anthony Kar	Teri Taylor
Susan M. Powers	Salvador Cisneros in memory of Eric Sutherland	Mike Kenny in honor of my sister Hillary Hauser	Pamela D. Thiene
Jack Rapke in honor of Steve Starkey & Olivia Erschen on Steve Starkey's Birthday	David, Jeannie & Roxy Clark in memory of Maxine Knight Clark	Richard & Connie Kennelly	Carol Sawyer & Robert Torian
Kathleen & Gary Rees	Al & Julia Clark	Robert Klein	Polly & George Turpin/ Turpin Family Charitable Foundation in memory of Jeanne Bradley
Angelo Salvucci	Heidi Clever	Marc & Julie Kummel/ San Marcos Foothills Coalition	Virginia Vanocur
Tony Allina, M.D. & Christiane Schlumberger	Martha Clyde	Kathryn Eisler LeMay	Michele & Jason Vedder
Dan & Mary Secord	Richard Coleman in memory of Joshua Canning	Betty Little	Gayla & Santi Visalli
Stephen Segal/ Stephen Segal Construction	Michael J. Connell	Lenore Los	Deborah & Lee Waldron/ The Waldron Family
Ed & Karen Shiffman	Kate Mead & Marty Conoley	Linda & Ernie Lugdon in memory of Frank Louda	Scott Waters
Skin Sage/Danielle McCombs*	Mary Conrad	John Lyon	William H. Wellman
Debby Trutnik in memory of Eric Sutherland	Kathryn Courain in honor of Bodie Courain	Lexi MacLane	Skip Willis
Ross & Karen Williams	Ann Crawford	Liza Jane MacNaughton	Jay Winford
Jim Winter	Bob & Alea Cunningham in honor of Aye'la	Mike & Mary Lynn Mallen	Hank Yeiser
George & Judy Writer	Will Davies	Monika McCoy D.C.	Caroline & Donald Young YourCause, LLC
Jonathan & Elise Wygant	Christine & Robert Devries in memory of Eric Sutherland	Loraine & Billy B. McIntosh	to \$99
\$200 - \$249	Barbara Dukas in memory of Courtney Seeples	Linda & Robert Meyer	Anonymous in memory of Frankie Maninno
MJ & Brad Bakove	Christine Ebert in memory of Joshua Canning	Toby & Robert Misthal & Family in memory of Eric Sutherland	Anonymous
Leslie Brice	Suzanne Edick in memory of Tyrone Swader	Mitchell Morehart	Nancy Acosta/ AT&T Employee Giving Campaign
Donald & Noelle Burg	Jack Finnegan	Tom Mosby	Terrie Adden
Cotty & Isabella Chubb	Wendy Foster	Craig & Lori Murray	Lesley Alexander
Connie & Dennis Doheny in memory of Brandon Yates, & in honor of the Brandon Doheny Family	Ronald J. & Carole A. Fox/ Jewish Community Foundation	Drs. Julie Taguchi and Robert Nagy	Susan Anderson in memory of Courtney Seeples
Robert Feldman in memory of Courtney Seeples	Daniel Frank	Brenda Nancarrow-Garrison	Anna Lucia & Max
Maribeth Hammond	Jennifer Freed in honor of The Freed Family	Bill & Sandi Nicholson	Audrey Austin
Joseph Kennedy	Bernard & Joan Fried	Old Spanish Days In Santa Barbara in memory of Eric Sutherland	George & Betty Baffa
Teresa McWilliams	Eric & Julie Friedman	Dan & Sandy O'Meara in honor of Megan O'Meara	Kevin & Toni Bailey
Deb Monroe	Mark Schildhauer & Joyce Gauvain	Gail Osherenko/Margo & Joe Osherenko Foundation	Jane Banick in honor of the marriage of Astrid DeWild & Dan Parker
Ram Muthukrishnan/ Network for Good & Your Cause, LLC	J.T. & Elizabeth Gerig	William J. Otto, D.V.M./ Bovine Bill Living Trust	Marv & Grey Bauer
Julie & Jack Nadel/ Nadel Foundation in memory of Eric Sutherland	Jessica Scheeter & Zach Gill	Lisa & Alan Parsons	Maria Belknap/Marbel Conceptz
Paul & Kathy Relis	John & Carrie Givens	Julie & Art Pizzinat in honor of Jason Pizzinat	Norrine Besser
David Rockey	Andrew & Penelope Gottlieb	Bill Poehler*	Penny Bianchi
Dr. & Mrs. Rottenberg	Charlie Graham	Keith & Fran Puccinelli	Jude Bijou
James & Ingrid Shattuck	Elizabeth Graham	Karen & Bruce Raph/ Town & Country Water Gardens	Lisa & Jon Blake in memory of Joshua Canning
Mary Staton & Michel Saint-Sulpice	Janet Graham in memory of Billy Graham	Marsha & Al Roberson	Lisa Blake/Karl Storz Imaging
Adriana Sullivan in memory of Eric Sutherland	David & Ruth Green	Marshall & Heidi Rose	Marianne Bloom
Laura Vondracek	Lauri & Michael Hamer	Scott & Karen Rowland	Travis & Debra Bower
Libe Washburn	Barbara & Roy Harthorn	Ted & Berdee Sampson in memory of Eric Sutherland	Alex & Kristin Brodie
David & Julie Wexler	Marianne & Jim Henry in memory of Darcy Aston	Santa Barbara Zoo in memory of Eric Sutherland from Rich, Elaine, Jason & your friends at the Santa Barbara Zoo	Sally Bromfield
	Beverly & Preston Holmes	Stuart & Ellen Sato in honor of Stuart Sato & Andrew Binder	Tom & Laura Brooks
			Sharon Brown
			Sven Brueggemann in honor of Sofa Concert People

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| Deborah Burns
in memory of Vincent Burns | Lee Heller | Rex & Elsa Pay |
| Peggy & Bill Callahan | Jan C. Hill | Alan Piltz |
| Laura B. Camp | David & Nancy Hill | Bill, Pam & Lily Poehler |
| Donna Campbell | Annemarie Horner | Valerie & David Powdrell |
| Congresswoman Lois Capps | Stephen & Carolyn Hubbs
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| George & Deanna Gregg | Joanna Bard Newton | Blair & Heidi Whitney
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| Renee Hamaty | Ronald & Roberta Nye | Galen Wood |
| Char Harris | Christine Ochs
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in memory of Eric Sutherland |
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| Lauren Hawksworth | William & Carol Palladini | Susan Yates
in memory of Brandon Yates |
| Eva Marie Saint & Jeffrey Hayden | Zale Parry | Ruben & Irene Ynzunza |
| | Lynne Sherman & William Paxson | Cynthia E. Ziegler |

In Memory of...

Heal the Ocean cherishes each and every one of our members, and we are sad when we lose those who are dear to us. We thank those who have sent donations in memory of loved ones who have left us. We are honored to memorialize the following people in the donation pages of this newsletter:

- Fred Benko
- Jeanne Bradley
- Ethan Brostedt
- Eric Brown
- Vincent Burns
- Joshua Canning
- Maxine Knight Clark
- Mike deGruy
- Diana Estep
- Billy Graham
- William Goodfellow
- John Harris
- Norm Hendry
- Zeuf Hesson
- Dean Jensen
- Edward Joujon-Roche
- Marlene Lentz
- Frank Louda
- Frankie Mannino
- Cynthia Hollister Nagel
- Courtney Seepie
- Eric Sutherland
- Tyrone Swader
- Paul Turpin
- Danny Wilson
- Lanny Wright
- Brandon Yates

And of course there is once again "Busted the Cat"

The memory of these wonderful people, and their pets, lives on in our hearts as we work for the ocean they loved.

*In-Kind

IN MEMORIAM

ERIC SUTHERLAND
1980 - 2015



At the end of February 2015 Heal the Ocean started receiving a number of donations in memory of Eric Sutherland, who was only 35 when he passed away on February 17. As always, we contacted the family to let them know of the donations made to us as a tribute to him, and we got to know the person who was Eric Sutherland. Born in Carpinteria, CA, Eric was an ocean man – the pictures we received of him show a happy surfer out to get another wave, and on a boat behind the wheel with fishing rods behind. He attended Santa Barbary City College and worked as an HVAC installer, but as his notice in the *Santa Barbara News-Press* states, Eric “loved and respected the beach and the ocean, and he was surfing, forever searching, for the perfect wave.”

Donations made to HTO in loving memory of Eric Sutherland

- Wesley Bredall, Santa Barbara, CA;
- Salvador Cisneros, Carpinteria, CA;
- Christine & Robert Devries, Carpinteria, CA;
- Pete & Pat Miller, Santa Barbara, CA;
- Toby & Robert Misthal, Jericho, NY;
- Julie & Jack Nadel, Montecito, CA;
- Old Spanish Days in Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara CA;
- Rich, Elaine, Jason and “your friends at the Santa Barbara Zoo,” Santa Barbara, CA;
- Ted & Berdee Sampson, Carpinteria, CA;
- Adriana Sullivan, Santa Paula, CA;
- Fred Szkolnik, Tarzana, CA;
- Henia Szkolnik, Los Angeles, CA;
- Debby Trutnik, Los Angeles, CA;
- Alan Weiss, Carpinteria, CA;
- Kara Woods, Santa Barbara, CA.

COURTNEY LODGE SEEPLE
1949 - 2015



The family of Courtney Lodge Seepie, “husband, father, brother, grandfather, amigo,” also directed that contributions be made to Heal the Ocean in his memory. He passed away in February 2015 at the age of 66, beloved by his wife of 40 years, Alix, his son Justin and daughter Devon, sister Kim and four grandchildren. “He loved walking the beach, getting high on life, traveling, hiking, swimming, fishing, enjoying fine wine and was a passionate fan of music,” his notice reads.

Donations made to HTO in loving memory of Courtney Seepie:

- Susan Anderson, Danville, CA;
- Melissa & Michael Costello, Piedmont, CA;
- Barbara Dukas, Piedmont, CA;
- Robert Feldman, Falls Church, VA;
- Sandra Moore, Alamo, CA.

Heal the Ocean would also like to make special note of the passing of **Louis Villanueva**, who, with his wife Shelley, contacted Heal the Ocean immediately upon our forming in 1998, because their beloved son, **Erik Villanueva**, had succumbed to heart failure after contracting a coxsackie virus when surfing at a Malibu storm drain outfall during a winter storm.



Darcy Aston

Also, **Darcy Aston**, a major player in Santa Barbara County's Project Clean Water program during its early years, passed away in September 2014, at the too-young age of 55. She was a beautiful person, and we will always remember her.



Back Cover Art by Marie Morrisroe:

Our back cover is from a work of photographic art by Marie Morrisroe, called “Sunrise at Hammonds.” Marie is an ocean lover who takes photographs all over the world as well as Santa Barbara, where she lives.


Call for Email Addresses

If you would like to receive electronic notices from HTO about upcoming events, please email your email address to: info@healtheocean.org. In particular, please let us know if you are interested in receiving our monthly E-letters.

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