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The Green Olympics are Here



The environment and sports are fundamentally connected and this is clearly shown in the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) oversight of the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia, beginning this month. Three links between sports and the environment have been identified:

(1) Large sporting events like the Olympics can impact the host city's environment, causing problems such as pollution, large amounts of waste, and damage to the natural environment; (2) Athletes need a healthy environment in which to train and perform, to reach their peak performance; and (3) Many sports take place in the natural environment such as skiing, sailing, horse riding, mountain bike riding, and rowing; therefore, in order to maintain and improve sporting opportunities, it is important to conserve natural environments.

The IOC now calls the environment the "third pillar of Olympism" and Sydney was the first host city ever to formally include a comprehensive commitment to the environment as part of its bid to host the Games. Its organizing committee has produced environmental guidelines in a Report, "Turning Green into Gold: Making an Environmental Vision a Reality" and it is available for download from the official website below.

Most of the new Olympic venues constructed in Sydney were designed to maximize energy efficiency, conserve water, and preserve indoor air quality. Water will be conserved through the use of more efficient appliances and fittings, including water-flow reduction valves and shower roses, dual-flush toilets, roof-fed rainwater tanks and drip irrigation systems. To further reduce water needs, Australian native trees and shrubs have been planted and mulched—chosen not only for their aesthetic appeal but also for their drought resistant qualities. A dual water system was developed at Olympic Park, which supplies potable water for human consumption from the mains water supply through one set of pipes, and supplies recycled stormwater and sewage effluent for toilet flushing and irrigation through a parallel system of pipes. Sewage is treated in an on-site wastewater reclamation plant, then a water treatment plant before being reused. Stormwater is caught in runoffs designed to imitate the natural water cycles of creeks and wetlands, stored on-site, then treated in the water treatment plant before use. Lastly, wherever possible, existing buildings are being reused and refitted and recycled materials were used for construction.

The Official Website of the 2000 Olympics: www.olympics.com
& **the U.S. Team's Official Website:** www.usolympicteam.com.

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FIVETIPS for PLAYING GREEN

1. When you play/exercise, take drinks in a reusable container.
2. Take healthy snacks like fruits and vegetables in reusable containers, too—avoid lots of trash from packaging.
3. Reuse or donate old equipment and gear instead of throwing it away.
4. Set a good example by picking up trash and other debris on sports fields, courts, beaches, and other areas—or organize a clean-up day!
5. Walk, bike, or carpool to events instead of driving alone!

Playing Green: Creating Eco-Slopes

This summer, the National Ski Areas Association (NSAA) completed an Environmental Charter that holds 160 participating ski areas—or 70 percent of the U.S. total—to a sweeping set of voluntary principles for protection of the alpine areas in which they operate. The Charter was created with the U.S. EPA to provide guidance in engaging communities and interest groups in development planning; conserving natural resources in areas such as water, energy, waste management, fish and wildlife, forest and vegetative management, wetlands and riparian areas, air quality and visual quality; and in using the natural surroundings as a means to increase environmental awareness and to enhance relationships between resorts and other stakeholders. Ski areas endorsing the Charter will display a "Sustainable Slopes" logo for public identification. See page 7 for a listing of some local ski areas to watch! See: www.epa.gov/ispd/travtour.htm or for a copy of the Charter, see: www.nsaa.org. *Source: ENS* 6/14/00



Responding to Radon

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas produced by the breakdown of uranium, an element that is found in nearly all soils. Radon usually moves from the ground up and migrates into homes and other buildings through cracks and other holes in their foundations. The buildings trap radon inside, where it accumulates and may become a health hazard if the building is not properly ventilated. Levels of radon vary throughout the country and the concentrations entering homes can vary by home within the same neighborhood. Approximately one percent of California homes exceed the U.S. EPA's action level of 4 pico-Curies of radon per liter (pCi/l), the level above which EPA recommends that homeowners take corrective action. PicoCuries per liter is how radon in the air is measured. Breathing air containing a large amount of radon can damage your lungs and may eventually cause lung cancer. Scientists believe that radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States. The EPA reports an estimated 7,000 to 30,000 Americans die each year from radon-induced lung cancer. Only smoking causes more lung cancer deaths. Smokers exposed to radon are at higher risk than non smokers.

It is impossible to detect radon without a test because radon gas is colorless, odorless, and tasteless; however, homeowners can purchase several types of radon test kits, which usually cost less than \$20. If radon test results are high, they can be reduced in a variety of ways: from sealing cracks in floors and walls to installation of systems that use pipes and fans to draw radon out of the building. The cost of making repairs to reduce radon gas usually ranges from \$500-\$2,500. The state Department of Health Services (DHS) regulates the radon service industry through state certification and maintains a list of companies providing detection devices as well as a list of DHS-certified consultants and contractors. California's real estate disclosure law requires sellers to inform buyers of radon levels above 4 pCi/l. Call the DHS Radon Hotline at (800) 745-7236 for more info.



“Killer Algae” Reaches Southern California

A task force of federal, State, and local agencies held a press conference on the invasive *Caulerpa taxifolia* algae recently found in San Diego County's Agua Hedionda Lagoon, located on the coast approximately 20 miles north of the city. *Caulerpa taxifolia* is an invader species and an aggressive clone of it has been highly invasive in the Mediterranean Sea, where the governments of France, Spain, Monaco, and Italy are unable to control its spread. This clone, dubbed “killer algae” in the famous 1999 book of that name by species expert Alexander Meinesz, has demonstrated enormous environmental damage potential. Because of the catastrophic harm it has caused to aquatic ecosystems, tourism, commercial fishing, navigation, and recreational diving in places such as the Mediterranean and Australia, over 100 prominent scientists petitioned the federal government to ban its importation, possession, and sale in the U.S. This led to its designation in 1999 as a prohibited species under the Federal Noxious Weed Act. However, despite similar bans on its possession in France, Spain, and Australia, this dangerous organism continues to be transported and sold by the aquarium trade and its American debut was expected by many experts to be only a matter of time. Rachel Woodfield—the marine biologist who discovered the species in San Diego—says that it was likely “released into the wild from an aquarium, a practice banned under California law.” This underscores the importance of not dumping anything into storm drains (as this is the likely method by which *Caulerpa* was initially spread).

Until now, the species has not been documented on the west coast of the Americas. It is a green alga native to tropical waters that typically grows in small, isolated patches. However, in the late 1970s its cultivation became more widespread when it attracted attention as a fast-growing and decorative aquarium species, popular in the saltwater aquarium business. It is believed that an initial clone of the species which was cultured for display at the Stuttgart Aquarium in Germany and later provided to aquariums in France and Monaco, is the origin of the alga which “escaped” from the Oceanographic Museum of Monaco around 1984. Following its escape, the *Caulerpa taxifolia* rapidly spread from a patch of about one square meter to over a hectare (2.47 acres or 10,000 square meters) by 1989 and today extends many thousands of hectares. According to Woodfield, “The alga has since

spread to France and Spain and is today widespread through much of the northwestern Mediterranean...[and] all *Caulerpa taxifolia* plants in the Mediterranean are clones of the single escaped or released saltwater aquarium plant.” She cautions that, “even a tiny piece broken off can regenerate a new plant, making eradication by mechanical means nearly impossible.”

Its discovery in the coastal waters remains a great concern because it poses a significant threat to ecosystems currently thriving in our area. These include the coastal lagoons, nearshore reefs, eelgrass meadows, and giant kelp beds as well as other benthic environments that are the foundations of a food web critical to the survival



of numerous invertebrate and fish species including the commercially- and recreationally-important spiny lobster, California halibut, and sand basses. According to Woodfield, *Caulerpa*'s establishment offshore could “seriously impact commercial fisheries and navigation through quarantine restrictions that may need to be imposed in order to prevent the spread of this species...[and because of its tolerance to cold] could potentially expand even north of the Southern California Bight.” (The Bight is the 300 km of recessed coastline extending from Point Conception in Santa Barbara County to Cabo Colnett, south of Ensenada, Mexico.)

The discovery of the *Caulerpa* organism here demonstrates how easily invasive exotic species from distant places can be introduced in diverse venues worldwide. Further, it highlights the importance of better control regarding the transport of all exotic organisms, such as the countless insects, plants, reptiles, amphibians, birds, fish, and other species that humans have affected over time. In the case of *Caulerpa*, the irresponsible practices of some members of the aquarium trade are an important focus. Ultimately, detection is a critical step in managing the response to the *Caulerpa*'s spread. Please see the following for more detailed information about *Caulerpa*.

Source (picture also): Rachel Woodfield, Merkel & Associates, San Diego, CA and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Washington, DC: <http://swr.nmfs.noaa.gov/hcd/CAULERPA.htm> If you think you have seen *Caulerpa*, please call the California Department of Fish and Game at (858) 467-4201.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Program Grants—The program offers a total of \$10 million to local, State, and federal governmental agencies and nonprofit organizations for projects to mitigate environmental impacts caused by new or modified State transportation facilities which fall under three categories: highway landscape and urban forestry, resource lands, and roadside recreational. Grants will be limited to \$250K per project. Applications for the 2001-02 grant cycle must be postmarked or received by Friday, November 17, 2000. For application materials, contact the Resources Agency, 1416 Ninth Street, Room 1311, Sacramento, CA 95814 or call: (916) 653-5656.



Los Angeles River Watershed Enhancement Projects—The Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council is soliciting proposals for feasibility, design, and assessment studies for projects along the LA River and its tributaries that will enhance public access and/or resource improvement in such areas as wildlife habitat, trails, flood management, and water quality. A total of \$504,000 is available; matching is not required; and the maximum financial support level for any single study is \$200,000. Expected funding distribution is as follows: 2-3 small studies (@ \$5-\$25K); 2-3 medium-sized studies (@ \$25-75K) and 1-2 large studies (@ more than \$75K). The funds come from the California Coastal Conservancy under Proposition 204 and funded projects must meet the criteria specified in its authorizing legislation and the language of Prop. 204. A workshop to answer questions about the proposals will be held on Thursday, September 14 and the submission deadline is Friday, September 29, 2000 (at the Watershed Council office). For more information, contact Heather Trim: (213) 367-4132 or htrim@aol.com.

California ReLeaf 2001 – Tree planting grant program for community groups and volunteer city boards.
Deadline: Mid-September **Contact:** For application and guidelines contact Grant Coordinator Elisabeth Hoskins at (949) 642-0127.

GRANTS WITHOUT A DEADLINE

California Community Foundation – Support for the rehabilitation, maintenance and beautification of parks and recreation areas. Contact Sr. Program Secretary at (213) 413-4130, or visit the Web site at www.calfund.org for more info.

California State Coastal Conservancy – Proposition 204 funding specifically allocated for LA River Projects that focus on habitat restoration, construction of public access facilities and others. Projects must show linkage to the coast. Call (510) 286-4169 for more info. (Also see first entry on this page.)

Clean Water State Revolving Fund – Loan program established by the Clean Water Act to local agencies for water quality improvement projects. Call the EPA Water Division at (415) 744-1948 for more info.

Economic Development Administration Grants – The US Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration will give priority consideration to projects that help communities achieve and sustain economic growth. Visit the Web site at www.doc.gov/eda for more info.

Energy Research Grants – The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy is seeking applicants for up to \$6 million in grants to research renewable energy programs. Call the US Department of Energy at (800) 683-0751 for more info.

Jobs Through Recycling – Recycling business development program that seeks to foster recycling/reuse businesses that increase the use of recyclable or reusable materials and contribute to economic development and jobs creation. Call Julia Wolfe with the EPA Waste Management Division at (415) 744-2131 for more info.



Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund – Provides loans to ensure that drinking water remains safe and affordable. Call the EPA Drinking Water Office at (415) 744-1852 for more info.



SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EACH MONTH:

24-Hour Wildflower Hotline (818) 768-3533



Sponsored by The Theodore Payne Foundation, callers to the free Wildflower Hotline are directed to when and where to see the best blooms from over 30 locations throughout Southern California. New this year—all information will be posted to www.theodorepayne.org.

Down-by-the-River Walks

Friends of the Los Angeles River and the Sierra Club are sponsoring monthly walks along the banks of the LA River. Join them at 4:30pm. on the third Sunday of each month for an informal, leisurely, hour-long walk. Location varies each month and some walks feature brief talks highlighting natural, historical, artistic, or political aspects of the River. The walk is canceled if it's raining. For more information, visit the FoLAR Web site at www.folar.org, or contact Joe Linton at (213) 381-3570.



Habitat Restoration Days

Help restore wildflowers, trees and shrubs that were once here 200 years ago at the Madrona Marsh Preserve. Everyone is invited to help in planting, weeding and collecting and growing seeds in this rewarding work project. **Every second Saturday of the month.** Morning maintenance is done from 9am-noon **every Tuesday and Wednesday.** Call (310) 32-MARSH.



Hyperion Treatment Plant Tours

Free public tours are available each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. Contact Felice Kidd: (310) 648-5363 for information or to schedule a tour.

Japanese Garden Tours

Docent-led tours of the Japanese Gardens at the D.C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant in Van Nuys are offered during the day on Monday through Thursday and again on Saturday. Reservations are required. For more information call (818) 756-8166.



Satwiwa Sundays

From 10am to 5pm at Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa. Meet guest hosts, watch demonstrations and share the experiences of the Native American LA Community. Call (805) 370-2301 for more information.

Smart Gardening Workshops

The Los Angeles Countywide Yard Waste Program will be holding its Smart Gardening workshops throughout the County during the Spring. Topics covered are backyard and worm composting, grass recycling, and water-wise gardening. For more information, call (888) CLEAN-LA or visit www.smartgardening.com.

Community Garden and Clean-Up/Northeast Los Angeles

2nd & 4th Saturday of every month. 9am-1pm. What do birds and people have in common? They both enjoy a day at the park! Beginning now until the end of summer, the City of Los Angeles is planning to restore some of the offramp areas along the Pasadena Freeway. Join others as they install park benches, plant shrubs, and plant trees. Contact: Luis Quirarte with L.A. Works, (323) 222-2620

The EAD Web site, located at www.lacity.org/EAD, contains updated information on this month's events. To ensure your event is included in our monthly newsletter, submit information to the editor by the 10th of each month prior to publication. After the 10th, events can be entered into our Web site calendar only.

The EAD reserves the right to edit all submittals and does not necessarily endorse the events listed. All events are subject to change, so call listed event contacts to verify information.

Tyke Hike

This hike is scheduled every first Thursday of the month in the Madrona Marsh Preserve and involves looking for animal tracks, listening for singing birds, looking for ducks and their babies, observing habitat changes and wildflowers blooming. A \$5 donation per family is requested for the Natural History Center Education Programs; reservations are appreciated. For more info., call the Friends of Madrona Marsh: (310) 32MARSH.



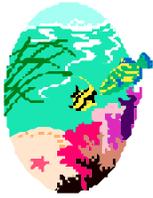
Nature-Bird Walk (Regular Fourth Weekend monthly event)

Two walks will take place—one on Saturday, and one on Sunday—both at 10 am. The walks will meander through the Madrona Marsh Preserve, starting at the Natural History Center in Torrance. For more info., call the Friends of Madrona Marsh: (310) 32MARSH.



Fall Docents

Applications will be accepted through September 11 for Cabrillo Marine Aquarium's Adult Docent Training Class. Docents guide schoolchildren on tours through the exhibit hall or on the beach, providing information and conducting various activities relating to the marine life of southern California. A desire to learn about the ocean and an interest in children are the primary qualifications. Following three months of training (on Monday mornings) beginning September 18, docents are asked to serve one morning each week for two school years. A \$50 fee covers docent manual, text book and membership privileges. Call: (310) 548-7563.



Recycling Workshops and Seminars

Many workshops and seminars are regularly provided throughout the year on source reduction, recycling and composting. They have included topics as Buying Recycled, Organics, Certified Buy Recycled Training Seminars, and Sustainable Construction. Please call the Department of Sanitation: (213) 473-8228 for information on upcoming events.

Composting and Smart Gardening Events

Composting and "Smart Gardening" workshops are held from March through November at Griffith Park. Composting bins are for sale at reduced prices at select events. Please call the Department of Sanitation: (213) 473-8228 for information on upcoming events.



THIS MONTH:

September 1

Children's Nature Institute (CNI)

Family Nature Walks

Pacific Palisades: Will Rogers, 10am and Altadena: Cobb Estate at 3:30pm (Date and place subject to change.) Call: (310) 364-3591 for reservations, or write to childnature@aol.com.

September 3

CNI Family Nature Walk

Malibu: Solstice Canyon, 10am (See Sept. 1 listing.)

September 4



Holiday!

September 8

CNI Family Nature Walk

Altadena: Millar Canyon, 10am (See Sept. 1 listing.)

September 9

California Admissions Day:



150th Anniversary of Statehood! (See page 7.)

CNI Family Nature Walk

Woodland Hills: Pierce Farms, 9am, Topanga State Park, 10:30am, and Valencia: Placerita Nature Center, 12pm (See Sept. 1 listing.)

September 13

CNI Family Nature Walk

Woodland Hills: Pierce Farms, 10am and Pacific Palisades: Temescal Canyon, 10:30am (See Sept. 1 listing.)

September 14

Re-Envisioning Los Angeles: Mayoral Candidates Debate - Which Way for the LA River and

LA's Urban Environment?

12:15-2pm, Occidental College, Keck Theater: All 5 of the candidates for the mayor of LA are invited to debate issues of the LA River and urban environment at a forum to be moderated by Warren Olney and broadcast live on a special edition of KCRW's "Which Way L.A.?" For more info., call (323) 259-2566 or email lariver@oxy.edu. Pre-registration is advised and available online with event updates and directions at: www.lariver.oxy.edu.

September 16

Coastal Cleanup Day

Join over 8,000 volunteers who will pick up trash and recyclables on the beach to celebrate the 16th Annual Coastal Cleanup Day! Every U.S. coastal state as well as 90 other countries will participate. Call **800 HEAL BAY** to be part of the California Coastal Cleanup Day in Los Angeles County. There are over 50 sites in LA County, with one near you! Special parking rates are available at most sites. All cleanup supplies will be provided.



September 16

CNI Family Nature Walk

Valencia: Placerita Nature Center, 10am (See Sept. 1 listing.)

September 23

Smart Gardening Workshop

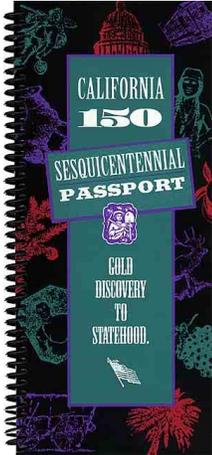
Griffith Park Compost Facility, 10-11am and **Workshop & Bin Sale:** Loyola Marymount University, 8am-4pm. Contact Citywide Recycling Division: (213) 473-8228.

September 28-30

Community Forestry At Its Best

National Conference sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation—to be held in Nebraska City, Nebraska. For more info., call: (888) 448-7337.

Celebrate Admissions Day with the Sesquicentennial Passport



In recognition of California's admission to Statehood on September 9, 1850, a new California 150 Sesquicentennial Passport is now available at participating sites which symbolize the State's history and culture. The Passport, which is stamped for visitors at each site, includes maps, directions, and historical anecdotes. These help guide visitors on a Statewide tour and aid them in exploring California's unique cultural and natural heritage by offering an opportunity for them to seek out and experience history at their own pace— seeing where it happened and recording their experiences during this important rite of passage, the State's Sesquicentennial!

The 100-page Passport was developed by California State Parks, in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service, the California State Parks Foundation, and other organizations throughout the state, and contains historical information for 150 places, including some in State Parks, National Parks, National Forests, and museums. Three sites from the City of Los Angeles are included in the Passport: **112. Autry Museum of Western Heritage**...4700 Western Heritage Way in Griffith Park across from Los Angeles Zoo, Contact: (323) 667.2000 or <http://www.autry-museum.org/>; **122. El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historic Monument**..Contact: (213) 628-3562 or <http://www.cityofla.org/ELP/index.htm>; **135. Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County**...Contact

(213) 763-DINO or <http://www.nhm.org/>. An additional eight sites from Los Angeles County are also listed in the Passport. Passports are \$5.95 each and are available at many participating state parks, as well as from the California State Parks Store, by calling, 916-653-3286. With each special stamp, the California 150 Sesquicentennial Passport becomes a special personal keepsake for the "Gold Discovery to Statehood" Sesquicentennial commemoration. The program will be in effect until December 31, 2002. For more information, contact Mary Helmich - (916) 653-3913.

Eco-Slopes (cont. from page 2) Watch these local ski areas to see if they become "Sustainable Slopes":

Bear Mountain Resort - *Big Bear Lake*

<http://www.bearmtn.com/winter/>

Mammoth Mountain - *Mammoth Lakes*

<http://www.mammoth-mtn.com/>

Mountain High Resort - *Wrightwood*

<http://www.mthigh.com/>

Mt. Baldy Ski Lifts - *Mount Baldy*

<http://www.mtbaldy.com/>

Mt. Waterman - *La Cañada Flintridge*

See: <http://www.onthesnow.com/>

Shirley Meadows Ski Resort - *Wofford Heights*

<http://www.shirleymeadows.com/>

Snow Summit Mtn. Resort- *Big Bear Lake*

<http://www.snowsummit.com/summer/>

Snow Valley Ski Area - *Running Springs*

<http://www.snow-valley.com/>

TEACHER'S CORNER

As teachers gear-up for the fall term, here are some websites addressing environmental curricula and projects for a wide variety of student age groups:

Sharing Environmental Education Curricula Online: Environmental Education Activities by Teachers for Teachers: This site has environmental education activities designed & used by 4th grade teachers in their classrooms...<http://www.rd.msu.edu/env ed/>.

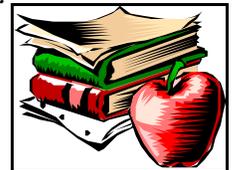
U.S. EPA Office of Environmental Education, Environmental Education Grant Program: This site lists California grant recipients from 1992-99 and describes the activities funded...
<http://www.epa.gov/enviroed/grants/california.htm>.

Green Schools: A Project of the Alliance to Save Energy, Links for Teachers...
<http://www.ase.org/greenschools/teachlinks.htm>

Environmental Curriculum Guides, California Academy of Sciences Library
<http://www.calacademy.org/research/library/biodiv/biblio/env cur.htm>

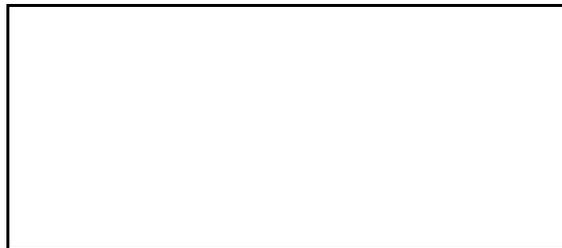
Cool Schools: <http://www.ldwp.com/coolschools/pages/home.html>

Through a unique partnership program called "Cool Schools," the LA Department of Water and Power has teamed up with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) and five non-profit groups in the largest city wide, school-based community tree planting program in LA's history.



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HOTLINE CONNECTION

The Environmental Information Center (EIC) serves as a referral source to the community. Our hotline connection offers a list of the most frequently requested numbers. If the number you need is not listed, please contact the EIC at **(213) 580-1052**, or toll-free in Los Angeles only at **(800) 439-4666**. You can also visit our Web site at www.cityofla.org/ead and click on the Environmental Information Center Link.

AIR QUALITY - *Calidad del aire*
South Coast Air Quality Management
District
(800) 288-7664

ASBESTOS - *Asbestos*
Environmental Hygiene
(213) 738-4078

BEE INFESTATIONS
Infestaciones de abejas
Vector Control
(800) 233-9279

BULKY ITEM PICK-UP
Recogida de artículos grandes
L.A. City Bureau of Sanitation
(800) 773-2489

HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL
Desembolso de materiales peligrosos
L.A. County Dept. of Public Works
(888) 253-2652
L.A. City Bureau of Sanitation
(800) 988-6942

ILLEGAL DUMPING INTO STORM DRAINS

*Depositos ilegales en los drenajes de
desagües*
Stormwater Management
(800) 974-9794

LEAD POISONING - *Veneno del
plomo*
National Lead Information Center
(800) 424-5323

LEAF BLOWERS - *Sopladores de
hojas*
Leaf Blower Complaint Line
(800) 996-2489

MOSQUITOES
Infestaciones de mosquitos
L.A. West Mosquito Abatement
(310) 915-7370

RECYCLING - *Reciclaje*
City of L.A. Public Works Dept.
(800) 773-2489