

May & June 2024

# San Pasqual Reservation Environmental Newsletter

THE SAN PASQUAL ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER DEPARTMENTS STRIVE DAILY TO IMPROVE AND PRESERVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OF THE SAN PASQUAL RESERVATION, THIS INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO SURFACE AND GROUND WATER QUALITY TESTING MANAGING SOLID WASTE, NATIVE PLANT RESTORATION, EROSION CONTROL, RENEWABLE ENERGY, ILLEGAL DUMP CLEAN UP, SITE RESTORATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND OUTREACH.

## Office Hours

MONDAY - FRIDAY  
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

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### TRANSFER STATION HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY  
7:30 AM - 2:30 PM

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ALL FACILITIES CLOSED FOR LUNCH  
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

CLOSED MOST WEEKENDS & HOLIDAYS  
SEE PAGE 3 FOR SUMMER SCHEDULE

*MUST SIGN IN BEFORE DROP OFFS,  
WASTE MUST HAVE ORIGINATED FROM TRIBAL  
ASSIGNMENTS*

*ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: DEBRIS, METAL, TIRES,  
APPLIANCES, ELECTRONICS,  
FURNITURE, CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS,  
RECYCLABLES, GREEN WASTE  
NOT ACCEPTABLE: HOUSEHOLD WASTE*

FOR QUESTIONS YOU MAY CONTACT JOHN FLORES,  
ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTOR  
AT 760.651.5141 OR AT  
JOHNF@SANPASQUALTRIBE.ORG

## Elder Pick Ups

WEDNESDAY PICK UPS SLOTS ARE RESERVED FOR SAN PASQUAL ELDERS AND DISABLED INDIVIDUALS.

PICK UPS MUST BE SCHEDULED IN ADVANCE, TO ENSURE STAFF HAS ADEQUATE TIME AND EQUIPMENT TO PICK UP AND DISCARD OF WASTE.

TO SCHEDULE AN ELDER PICK-UP PLEASE CONTACT  
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# San Pasqual Earth Day 2024

The 2024 Earth Day brought together over 200 San Pasqual tribal community members, tribal youth and environmental professionals from agencies all over San Diego for a day of fun and education. The day consisted of environmental education which highlighted the importance of pollinators, planting and restoration of the education center creek bed, youth activities, food and music.

Environmental professionals provided youth with fun activities such as coloring and activity books, life size board games, seed balls, acorn necklaces, environmental crafts, solar cars, crafts and much more as a fun Friday activity at the San Pasqual Education Center. The San Pasqual Education Center teamed up with Mr. Crouch a retired teacher from the Valley Center School District to provide oak seedlings to attendees in efforts to restore oak trees. The San Pasqual Environmental Department handed out the Environmental Awareness Ambassadors "EWA" Activity Book which was created in collaboration with local artist Marti Daglio to highlight the EWA youth group activities for 2023.

And in attendance were organizations such as SDZWA, USFWS, USFS, GRID Alternatives, Catching H2O, San Diego Living Discovery Center, La Jolla EPO, SDG&E, Escondido Creek Conservancy, Climate Science Alliance and many more that provided important resources and education. All in all it was a great day of learning for the San Pasqual tribal community.

For more information on Earth Day or environmental outreach events contact [melissam@sanpasqualtribe.org](mailto:melissam@sanpasqualtribe.org)





# ATTENTION PLEASE

To fit the needs of the working community and to prevent illegal dumping on the reservation the Environmental Department will be extending the Transfer Station hours throughout the summer. Extended hours have been put in place in efforts to reduce dumping that creates hazards for the community and the land. Illegal dumping is prohibited on all lands within the exterior boundaries of the reservation including at the transfer station during non-business hours. Please see the following schedule for open dump Saturday's.

July 6th 7:00am - 1:30pm

July 20th 7:00am - 1:30pm

August 3rd 7:00am - 1:30pm

August 17th 7:00am - 1:30pm

August 31st 7:00am - 1:30pm

September 7th 7:00am - 1:30pm

September 14th 7:00am - 1:30pm

For questions regarding the extended hours or to report illegal dumping please contact John Flores at 760-651-5141 or [johnflores@sanpaqualtribe.org](mailto:johnflores@sanpaqualtribe.org)

# Upcoming EVENTS

TO RECEIVE TEXT BLAST FROM THE SAN PASQUAL TRIBE TO KEEP UP WITH THE LATEST COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS TEXT "SPTRIBE" TO 484848



Scan this nametag on Instagram to follow [sptribal\\_environmental](https://www.instagram.com/sptribal_environmental).

## EWA Summer Activities

The San Pasqual Environmental Department will be hosting the Environmental Wellness Ambassadors Youth Summer Activities starting July 8th - July 18th. The San Pasqual Environmental Wellness Ambassadors is a tribal youth group geared towards environmental protection & the healing of tribal land. It is our goal to create awareness, inspire and empower tribal youth to be effective leaders for environmental and climate justice. This group combines traditional ecological knowledge, Kumeyaay culture (past/present) and environmental science to create a relationship between the youth and our land. Summer Activities will consist of classroom style lessons and field trips focused on Environmental Health and Culture.

To attend youth must be register your youth for the Environmental Wellness Ambassadors Summer Activities contact [melissam@sanpasqualtribe.org](mailto:melissam@sanpasqualtribe.org)

- Youth must be between 8-18 years of age to attend meetings and field trips without a parent/guardian present.
- Youth 7 years of age or younger must have a parent/guardian present to attend meetings and field trips.
- Youth 7 years of age or younger may not be eligible for all field trips.



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SDG&E APPLICATIONS\*\*

INDIAN HEALTH SANITATION  
SERVICE APPLICATIONS\*\*

SOLAR RESOURCES\*\*

NPS INSPECTIONS

ELDER PICK UPS\*\*  
- SOLID WASTE  
- GREEN WASTE

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY,  
TRIBAL ENERGY PROGRAM GRANT

EPA GRANT MANAGEMENT  
- GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
- CLEAN WATER ACT 106  
- CWA NON-POINT SOURCE 319

BOR GRANT MANAGEMENT

IHS PROJECT MANAGEMENT

BIA GRANT MANAGEMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL OUTREACH

EWA YOUTH GROUP

NEPA CLEARANCE

TRIBAL HISTORIC  
PRESERVATION  
MONITORING

