

NEWS ALERT

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The 6th Annual River Days Kick Off Event at Dog Beach May 9, 2009

Background: San Diego River Days is the largest watershed event of its kind. River Days consists of over 30 events attended by thousands of green minded families and individuals over the course of two weekends. These events are hosted by the San Diego River Park Foundation and member organizations of the San Diego River Coalition. The Coalition is comprised of 70 different environmental organizations and neighborhood groups all working toward a clean and healthy San Diego River and watershed. Events include bike rides along the river, volunteer river cleanup events, nature walks and hikes, Museum tours, community garden open house events and more. For more details on River Days and River Days events go to: www.sdriverdays.org

What: Join the San Diego River Park Foundation as we enjoy the morning at Dog Beach where the **kick-off celebration begins for the 6th Annual River Days**. A 12-mile bike ride starts here and there will be a beach clean up!

When: Saturday May 9th, 2009 at 8:00AM until 9AM. This marks the kick off of River Days, which spans four days over two weekends along the entire San Diego River.

Where: Ocean Beach, Dog Beach at the end of Voltaire St. San Diego, 92107.

Why: River Days serves to bring awareness about preserving the San Diego River to the community and allow people to see and experience all it has to offer. Learn about the past of the river and its place in our history. Also learn of the wonderful future in store with the completion of the San Diego River Park System.

###About The San Diego River Park Foundation

The San Diego River Park Foundation is the only non-profit organization working to restore and enhance the entire San Diego River, from the mountains to the ocean. Working with a broad-based coalition of over 50 community, civic, and public interest groups, as well as public agencies, elected officials, and civic leaders, the Foundation believes a River Park is a special project that has tremendous potential to benefit not only the current generation but future generations as well. www.sandiegoriver.org