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San Diegans Flock to the San Diego River for 2 Weekends of Exploring!

Thousands explore the 52-mile San Diego River during 15th Annual Event

San Diego, CA – Thousands of residents from all over San Diego Country are expected to join the 15th Annual San Diego River Days, a two weekend celebration of the San Diego River starting Saturday, May 12 and going through Sunday, May 20.

In just two weekends, over 40 events along the San Diego River are free and open to the public. The schedule of activities includes everything from environmental education events for kids, public art workshops, hikes to exclusive locations, planting trees and more! Participants will be able to walk, hike, bike, tour and explore during San Diego River Days, one of the largest watershed events of its kind in Southern California.

“We get calls all the time from community members seeking recommendations about places to go to see the River,” says Rob Hutsel, President and CEO of The San Diego River Park Foundation. “San Diego River Days started 15 years ago as a great way to experience the River, meet like-minded people, and have fun.”

The San Diego River runs 52 miles from the mountains near Julian to Ocean Beach and offers opportunities for nature exploration, recreation, and discovery. River Days is hosted by the [San Diego River Park Foundation](#), and advances their mission to connect people with the historic San Diego River while empowering people to create a better future for the River and our region.

San Diego River Days events are free to join, thanks to lead sponsor [Think Blue San Diego](#). The San Diego River Park Foundation puts on these events in partnership with 33 different partner organizations and businesses.

We recommend the following site for media:

TITLE: Coastal Habitat Restoration

DATE: Saturday, May 12

TIME: 9 – noon

LOCATION: San Diego River Mouth and Estuary, located adjacent to Dog Beach in Ocean Beach, Staging at grassy area near the west end of Voltaire Street in Ocean Beach, near address: 5142 W. Point Loma Blvd, San Diego, CA 92107

WHAT: 50-100 Volunteers, including kids, hand-pulling invasive plants to help care for a coastal dune habitat

For a complete list of activities, partners, and project sites, please visit www.SDRiverDays.org. For further information about this story, media sites, interviews and/or photos, contact: Ally Welborn, Community Engagement Manager at The San Diego River Park Foundation at (619) 297-7380 or ally@sandiegoriver.org.

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About The San Diego River Park Foundation

The San Diego River Park Foundation’s mission is to engage people to work toward a better future for the historic San Diego River and the creation of a 52-mile river parkway from the mountains to the ocean. The River Park Foundation is a non-profit community-based organization founded in 2001. Visit www.sandiegoriver.org for more information.