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Watershed Diorama Featured at Riverside Art Museum

*Inland Empire Waterkeeper's Handmade Diorama of Santa River Watershed
Displayed throughout Spring*

Riverside, Calif.,-- Inland Empire Waterkeeper's Crest to Coast diorama of the Santa Ana River Watershed was unveiled at the Riverside Art Museum's atrium for the Art of Water Protection's Earth Day festivities and will remain available for public viewing until June 19th.

The Crest to Coast diorama was beautifully handmade by local, Riverside artist Adam Maron who spent countless hours crafting pieces that reflect the true nature and biodiversity of the Santa Ana River and its watershed. The diorama includes species that are native to the river—like the federally endangered Santa Ana Sucker fish—as well as invasive species, like the arundo plant.

This work of art was created to serve as an educational tool to teach children about their river and how their everyday choices can impact their environment, community, and their world. It serves as a visual of how pollution, at the crest of the San Bernardino Mountains, will travel downstream with the Santa Ana River and will later affect the coast at Huntington Beach—degrading waterways along the way.

To view Waterkeeper's Crest to Coast diorama of the Santa Ana River Watershed, visit the Riverside Art Museum at 3425 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501. For more information, visit www.riversideartmuseum.org.

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Established in 2005, Inland Empire Waterkeeper is a non-profit environmental organization whose mission is to protect and enhance the water quality of the Upper Santa Ana River Watershed through programs of advocacy, education, research, restoration and enforcement. As the only non-profit in the Inland Empire dedicated to addressing water quality issues in the Santa Ana Watershed, Waterkeeper focuses on grassroots, community-oriented projects including water sampling, habitat restoration, community clean-ups and robust educational programs, to protect waterways throughout Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Waterkeeper uses a regional, collaborative approach to watershed management working with local, state, and federal government agencies to ensure proactive water policy while promoting compliance with the Federal Clean Water Act and other environmental laws for swimmable, drinkable, fishable waters. For more information, visit www.iewaterkeeper.org.