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Riversiders Come Together to Focus on City Waterways and the River

Keep Riverside Clean and Beautiful, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Inland Empire Waterkeeper, and Partners invite the community to the annual Santa Ana River and Waterways Cleanup

Riverside, Calif.,-- The public is invited to volunteer for the annual Santa Ana River and Waterways Cleanup on September 24th from 8:00am - 11:30pm with a complimentary lunch provided to volunteers after the event.

Keep Riverside Clean and Beautiful, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and Waterkeeper invite the public to volunteer their time for a great local cause. The 9th annual event helps to remove trash from multiple sites along the Santa Ana River and connecting waterways in the City of Riverside. Volunteers of all ages are welcomed to participate in the Santa Ana River and City Waterways cleanup. This event is perfect for families with children of all ages and students are able to obtain community service hours through this project.

Many agencies and organizations located in and around the City of Riverside have partnered on this amazing event. Partners include the Keep Riverside Clean and Beautiful, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Santa Ana River Trust, Lowes, and additional partners.

Volunteers of the cleanup will receive an event t-shirt for coming out and helping to beautify the City of Riverside, and event participants will be treated to a free lunch sponsored by Farmers Boys.

Each year, volunteers contribute to the removal of 20 tons of litter and various bulky items as well as graffiti abatement from various underpasses around the city. The Santa Ana River and City Waterways cleanup is a great educational experience for all, especially for small children and young adults, and the

perfect opportunity to encourage environmental stewardship.

Come out Saturday, September 24th and join us to Keep Riverside Clean & Beautiful.

To sign-up to volunteer please visit www.krcb.com

For more information about volunteering, contact John Sanger at jsanger@riverside-chamber.com or (951) 683-7100 x212

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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.