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Ocean Beach Follows through Adoption of Zero Waste Resolutions with Community Workshop

Ocean Beach, CA – After both the Ocean Beach Town Council and Ocean Beach Planning Board individually adopted zero waste resolutions, the first phase of implementation will occur through a free, all-day workshop at Point Loma Nazarene University on May 19, 2007. Supported by both committees and sponsored in part by the Ocean Beach People’s Organic Foods Market, the training will be conducted by the local resource management experts that form the non-profit group, Zero Waste San Diego.

Open to business owners, residents, and community leaders, the seven-hour session will teach Ocean Beach stakeholders how to cut disposal costs through source reduction and recycling, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and enhance quality of life in the region through environmental stewardship and sustainable resource management.

Featured speakers include ecological designer and author Jim Bell, Del Mar Fairgrounds Resource Conservation Coordinator Nancy Strauss, and international resource management expert Richard Anthony, among others. “Ocean Beach represents a great catalyst for encouraging zero waste programs regionwide,” said Anthony. “Job creation, stimulated economies, better quality of life... All through environmentally friendly and sustainable programs. It’s a beautiful thing.”

Although this is an open workshop, RSVP’s are required for entry, and attendees will be asked to commit to volunteering a portion of their time towards implementing zero waste programs in Ocean Beach. The workshop will begin at 9 a.m. at the Bond Academic Center, Pt. Loma Nazarene University, and run until 4 p.m. The university is located at 3900 Lomaland Dr., San Diego 92106.

To RSVP, or receive more information, contact Chelsea Klaseus at either chelseaklaseus@hotmail.com or (619) 813-4064, or visit www.zerowastesandiego.org.