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## Board Agenda Item

TO: Air Pollution Control District Board

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SUBJECT: Santa Barbara County Education Office Education Celebration Event

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file information about the Santa Barbara County Education Office (SBCEO) Education Celebration event on May 25, 2017 to recognize teachers selected for Care for Our Earth grants.

### DISCUSSION:

The District has partnered with SBCEO for more than 13 years, supporting Santa Barbara County teachers' environmental and science projects. At the March 2014 meeting, your Board presented the Education Office with a Resolution of Appreciation for its partnership in these programs.

Along with the District, the County Water Agency and utility companies fund the \$300 mini-grants. These grants support the District's mission and have helped thousands of students understand scientific concepts related to the environment, energy, and alternative transportation. The projects have benefitted schools through savings on energy and water bills and reduced traffic.

In 2017, Care for Our Earth grants will be awarded for 23 projects at 21 schools throughout the county. The District's contribution of \$4,300 to the program covers approximately 12 grants and the costs to SBCEO for administering the program. The list of grant recipients is attached.

Grant recipients will be honored at an Education Celebration on May 25, at approximately 5:00 p.m. at the Santa Ynez Valley Marriott in Buellton. One Board member is invited to attend to represent the District, and all Board members are invited to attend to congratulate award recipients.

### ATTACHMENT:

Grant Recipients for 2016-2017

## Care for Our Earth Grants 2016-2017

Grants are awarded by the Santa Barbara County Education Office, and funded by: Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District; the Santa Barbara County Water Agency; and utility providers. Teachers receiving grants for the 2016-2017 school year are listed below.



Lela Alcocer  
Oakley School  
Santa Maria-Bonita School District  
“Every Drop Helps”

Tim Barker  
Hope School  
Hope School District  
“Hydroponic Garden Towers”

Michelle Brunkhurst, Lovennea Marchetti, and Terri O’Donnell  
Roosevelt Elementary School  
Santa Barbara Unified School District  
“2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Deep Root Watering”

Stephen Criley  
Cleveland Elementary School  
Santa Barbara Unified School District  
“Save the Sea from Marine Debris”

LoriLee Collins  
Carpinteria Family School  
Carpinteria Unified School District  
“Carp Kids Community Bike Club”

Barbara Courain  
Vandenberg Middle School  
Lompoc Unified School District  
“Vandenberg Middle Goes Green — Everyone Recycles”

Kelly Davis  
Pioneer Valley High School  
Santa Maria Joint Union High School District  
“Sharing Space, Saving Energy”

Care For Our Earth Grants 2016-2017 (continued)

Christine Edwards  
Oak Valley School  
Buellton Union School District  
"Garden Based Learning — From Small Acorns Great Oaks Grow"

Ty Fredriks  
Orcutt Academy High School  
Orcutt Union School District  
"Understanding Electricity Conservation"

Sonia Galvez  
Delta High School  
Santa Maria Joint Union High School District  
"Water-Saving Shower Routine"

Rob Goettler  
San Marcos High School  
Santa Barbara Unified School District  
"Just Dew It: Collecting Morning Roof Runoff to Support Pollinators"

Chad Hartford  
Fesler Junior High School  
Santa Maria-Bonita School District  
"Solar Cars"

Sarah Hebert  
El Camino Junior High School  
Santa Maria-Bonita School District  
"Agents of Positive Change: Making the World a Better Place"

Terri Ingram  
Dos Pueblos High School  
Santa Barbara Unified School District  
"Tube to Table/Hydroponics Happening from Tube to Table Keeping it Local, Very Local from Start to Finish"

Brian Malcheski  
Open Alternative School  
Santa Barbara Unified School District  
"Water World"

Linda Mayer  
Santa Ynez Charter School  
College School District  
"Pedal Power"

Care For Our Earth Grants 2016-2017 (continued)

Kelly McDonald  
Solvang School  
Solvang School District  
“Drought Tolerant Garden”

Juan Sanchez  
Delta High School  
Santa Maria Joint Union High School District  
“Drought Tolerant Plants”

Keri Santos  
Vista de las Cruces School  
Vista Del Mar School District  
“Reduce & Reuse”

Jan Silk  
Carpinteria Family School  
Carpinteria Unified School District  
“Walking & Riding Our Way to a Healthier Community”

Carol Stein and Judy Cosio  
Monroe Elementary School  
Santa Barbara Unified School District  
“Importance of Water Awareness/Domestic Water Conservation”

Ronnie Tow  
Santa Ynez School  
College School District  
“Killing the Kilowatt Hours!”

Markie Wordley  
Lompoc High School  
Lompoc Unified School District  
“Water Conservation, Reclamation, and You!”