

# encinitas

yesterday...today...tomorrow

## GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

# Join Us!

### UPCOMING KEY DATES:

October 9, 2011

Informational Booth at the  
Leucadia Farmers' Market  
10 am to 2 pm at  
Paul Ecke Central Elementary

October 17, 2011

Informational Open House  
4 to 8 pm  
Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Dr.

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for more information on  
future outreach or General  
Plan related events.

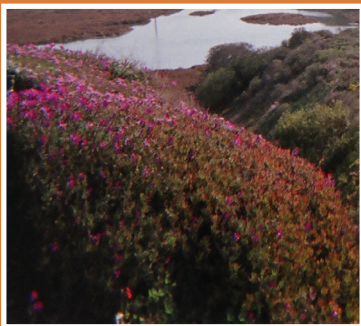


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2010 Picture Your Place Project  
Trish d'Entremont's 4th grade class  
at Ada Harris Elementary

## Weekly Newsletter October 3, 2011

The City's General Plan is one of the most important documents - it lays out a systematic set of long-term goals policies that will be utilized to guide city decision-making for the next 20+ years. On September 1, 2011 the City released the draft General Plan for public review. There are a lot of new issues addressed in the draft General Plan, as articulated through the public participation process. This newsletter will be updated weekly to highlight some of the new goals and policies that will ultimately help shape our future. The fifth General Plan Update Newsletter highlights some of the new policies related to [protecting Encinitas' natural ecosystem and preserving the long-term viability of wildlife habitats.](#)

### Resource Management Element:

7.1 Natural Communities Preservation. Promote and require the conservation and preservation of natural communities and features of the area in their natural, undeveloped state and avoid the creation of a totally urbanized landscape.

7.5 Open Space Management Plan. Develop and implement a citywide Open Space Management Plan (OSMP) and/or pursue other reasonable alternatives, consistent with the MHCP to the extent feasible, which identifies:

- Encinitas' biological resources and conservation goals;
- Management and monitoring needs, objectives and priorities specific to natural open space land in Encinitas; and
- A process and structure for implementation, including costs and funding sources associated with the management and monitoring program.

7.6 Invasive Plant Management Strategies. Develop proactive prevention and early detection response strategies for newly invading populations in open space areas and prioritize management of existing populations. Selected management strategies for invasive plant populations may include early detection, control (eradication, suppression, containment) and restoration.

### Land Use Element:

6.5 Compatibility and Buffer Zones. Ensure that development respects surrounding undeveloped, natural open space areas that include sensitive habitats or are otherwise constrained due to topography, flooding or other factors. Locate development with buffer zones sufficient to protect habitat and resource values in accordance with the habitat and ecosystem management policies of the Resource Management Element. Agencies having permit jurisdiction over the subject area shall be consulted in such buffer determinations.

*To understand the context of these environmental policies and/or to read more draft policies, please visit [www.encinitas2035.info](http://www.encinitas2035.info).*