



## Meet the Newport Bay Trash Interceptor

### with Robert Stein, Newport Beach Ass't. City Engineer

Rainy days fill our streams and rivers with rushing water. That rushing water brings tons of trash downstream where it ends up in our bays, harbors, and ocean. Literally tons of trash – 100 to 300 tons a year flow into the upper Newport Bay alone. The City of Newport Beach is developing a new tool to significantly capture trash before it reaches the Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve and adjacent Marine-Protected Areas. The Trash Interceptor is a sustainably powered, floating trash and debris collection system currently under construction in San Diego Creek between the Jamboree Road Bridge and MacArthur Boulevard Bridge, upstream from the Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve. **Newport Beach Assistant City Engineer Robert Stein** will discuss the efforts needed to make this project a reality and describe the benefits of this innovative project which is expected to reduce trash flow into the bay by 80 percent when it starts operation later this year. Join us on **Tuesday, March 26 at 6:30 PM** for an early, insider peek at this potentially game-changing system. Perhaps you can even suggest a nickname for the Trash Interceptor.



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**SIERRA SAGE OF  
SOUTH ORANGE  
COUNTY** Invites you  
to our **March 26  
General Meeting**

**Learn about local  
efforts to protect our  
waterways**

**Share opportunities  
to get outdoors**

**Have fun with Sierra  
Club members.**

**These are a few of  
the benefits of  
membership**

**SIERRA SAGE OF SOUTH  
ORANGE COUNTY**

Tuesday, March 26, 2024  
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM  
Norman P. Murray  
Community Center,  
24932 Veterans Way,  
Mission Viejo, CA 92692  
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