



Supporters of reducing single-use shopping bags in the Central Coast of California.

Dear Business Owner,

If you care about the health of our Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, will you please consider joining the groups listed below by becoming a member of **The Central Coast Sanctuary Alliance?**

This Alliance is comprised of businesses and non-profits that support a ban on plastic bags along our Central Coast. We hope that you will simply add your business name to our growing list.

The Alliance has been formed with the **goal** that:

The public who live in areas along the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, and its many visitors, will enjoy beaches and a local environment that will no longer be littered with plastic bags

The local government jurisdictions will spend less money on cleaning up plastic bag litter

The local businesses will save money by not having to provide single-use bags

The hundreds of species of marine animals that call this Sanctuary their home will no longer be threatened with suffocation or strangulation from plastic bags.

The **objectives** this Alliance will employ to achieve these goals are for the non-profit members to meet with key city officials in all local jurisdictions surrounding the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary to present our data on plastic bag litter and encourage them to put forth a single-use bag ban modeled after the successful ban adopted by the County of Santa Cruz.

Member Organizations:

Save Our Shores, Laura Kasa

Surfrider, Monterey County Chapter, Ximena Waissbluth

Salinas Action Group for Our Environment, Lee Colin

Sustainable Pacific Grove, Vicki Pearse

The Offset Project, Kristin Cushman

Plastic Pollution Coalition, Daniella Russo

Surfer's Environmental Alliance, Jim Littlefield

Clean Beaches Coalition, Emily Glanville

Surfrider, Santa Cruz Chapter, Jim Littlefield

Monterey Green Action, Megan Tolbert

Ecology Action, Kirsten Liske

Sustainable Carmel Valley, Mibs McCarthy

Coastal Watershed Council, Greg Pepping

Ocean Revolution, J Nichols

The Clean Oceans Project, Nick Drobac

Return of the Natives, Laura Lee Leink

Citizens For Sustainable Marina, Luana Conley

Sustainable Seaside, Kay Cline

Big Sur Advocates for a Green Environment, Lynda Sayre

Defenders of Wildlife, Jim Curland

Sea Studios, Mark Shelley

Buckminster Fuller Institute, Will Elkins

Monterey Coast Keeper, Steve Shimek

The Otter Project, Steve Shimek

Oceana, Geoff Shester, Ph.D.

Sealife Conservation, Dave Robinson

Monterey Peninsula Plastic Pollution Initiative

Pacific Grove Middle School Ocean Guardians

Sustainable Carmel

Ventana Wildlife Society

Big Sur Land Trust

Ventana Wilderness Alliance

Supporting Businesses:

Maiden Publick House

EcoCarmel

Pacific Motor Service

Aromas Auto Repair

EMC Planning Group

Mustang Beginnings

Acme Coffee

Happy Girl Kitchen



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Central Coast Sanctuary Alliance Business Members

I, _____, owner/manager of _____
(Printed Name) (Business Name)

agree to add our business to the Central Coast Sanctuary Alliance.

(Signature)

(Date)