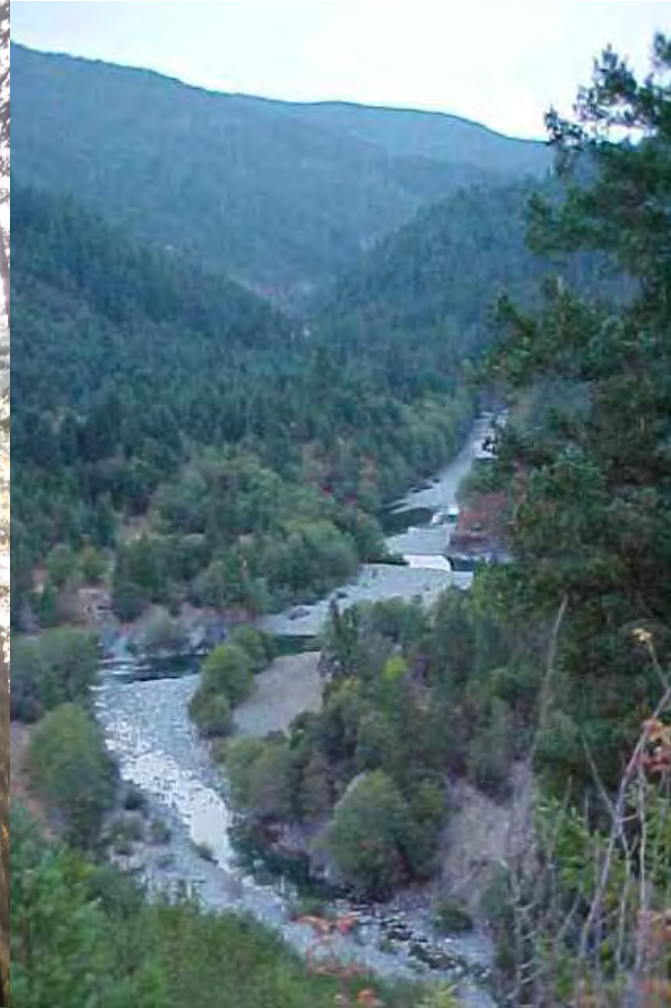


Rural Approaches to Blight, Dumping & Cleanups

02 May 2024 – 4th Annual Statewide Conference on Illegal Dumping

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Some Reasons to Visit Del Norte County



California's Northernmost Coast
w/ 2 lighthouses

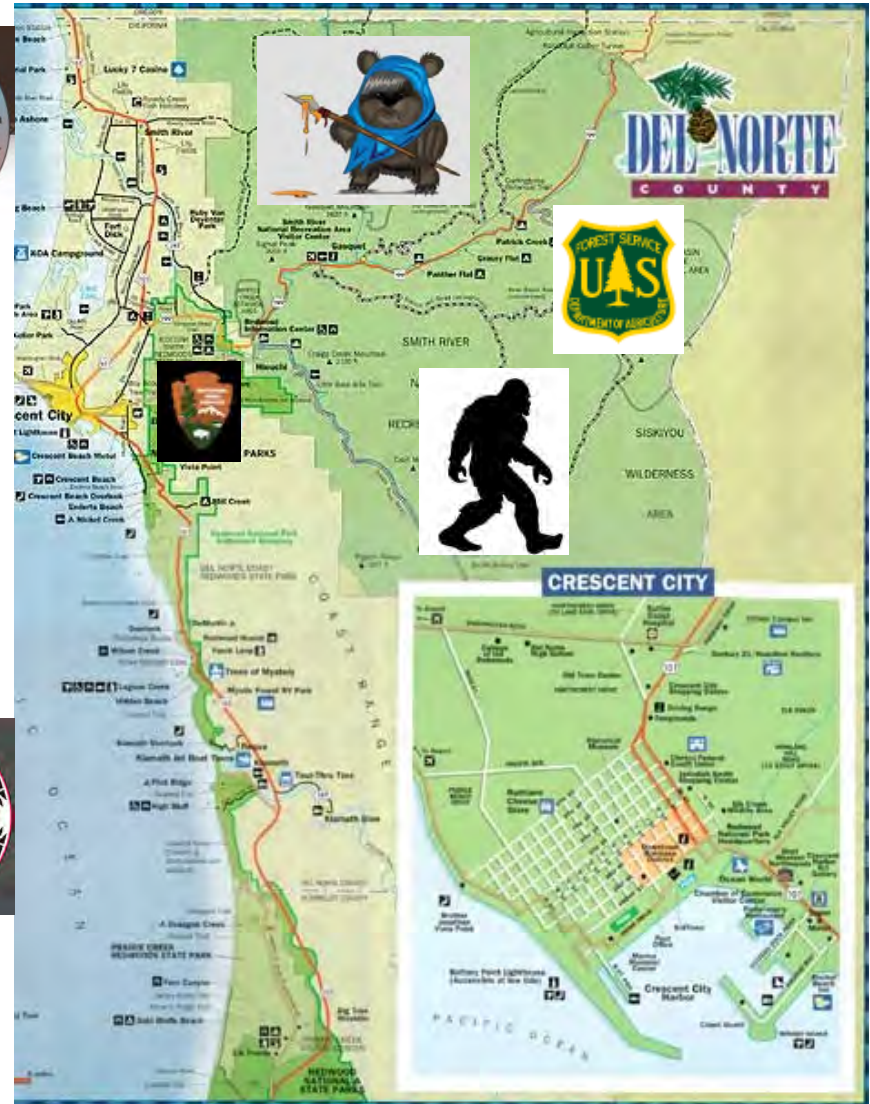
Home of the Redwoods

Smith River – Largest watershed
w/out dams in lower 48



Del Norte County

- 28,000 folks in 1,000 sq. miles
- Coastal border County
- Home to Redwood Nat'l & State Parks
- No mandatory collection
- 48% tonnage is self-haul
- Rural, >75% public land
- Low Income
- >60 inches of rain
- Yurok & Tolowa Dee-Ni tribes on ancestral lands
- Legendary home for Bigfoot & ewoks



Education, Enforcement & Eradication in Del Norte

- Code Enforcement – based on complaints, vouchers
- **Mandatory Responsibility Ordinances** – tied to properties
- Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Service Authority - RV challenges
- **Advocacy**
- **Collections Franchise:**
 - Community bins
 - Streetside containers
 - By-the-bag service
 - Franchise Bin pulls
- **Del Norte Mission Possible**
- **Cleanups:**
 - USFS Grant
 - **Community Cleanups**
 - **Yellow Sheet**
 - CalTrans Clean CA



Franchise Programs: Recology Del Norte

Community Drop-off Bins

– Unstaffed – Open 24/7:

- Ship Ashore Resort
- Smith River Post Office
- Fort Dick Fire Station

(ongoing dumping issues)

– Staffed – open when facilities are

- Del Norte County Transfer Station
- Klamath Transfer Station
- Gasquet Transfer Station

(ongoing scavenging)



Bin for Cardboard

• Streetside Paired trash & recycling

- Unstaffed – Open 24/7
- 60 locations in or near Crescent City
- Serviced 6x/week



Other Provisions:

20 Allocated bin pulls/year

By-the-bag services (\$10.77/30 gals or 40 lbs)

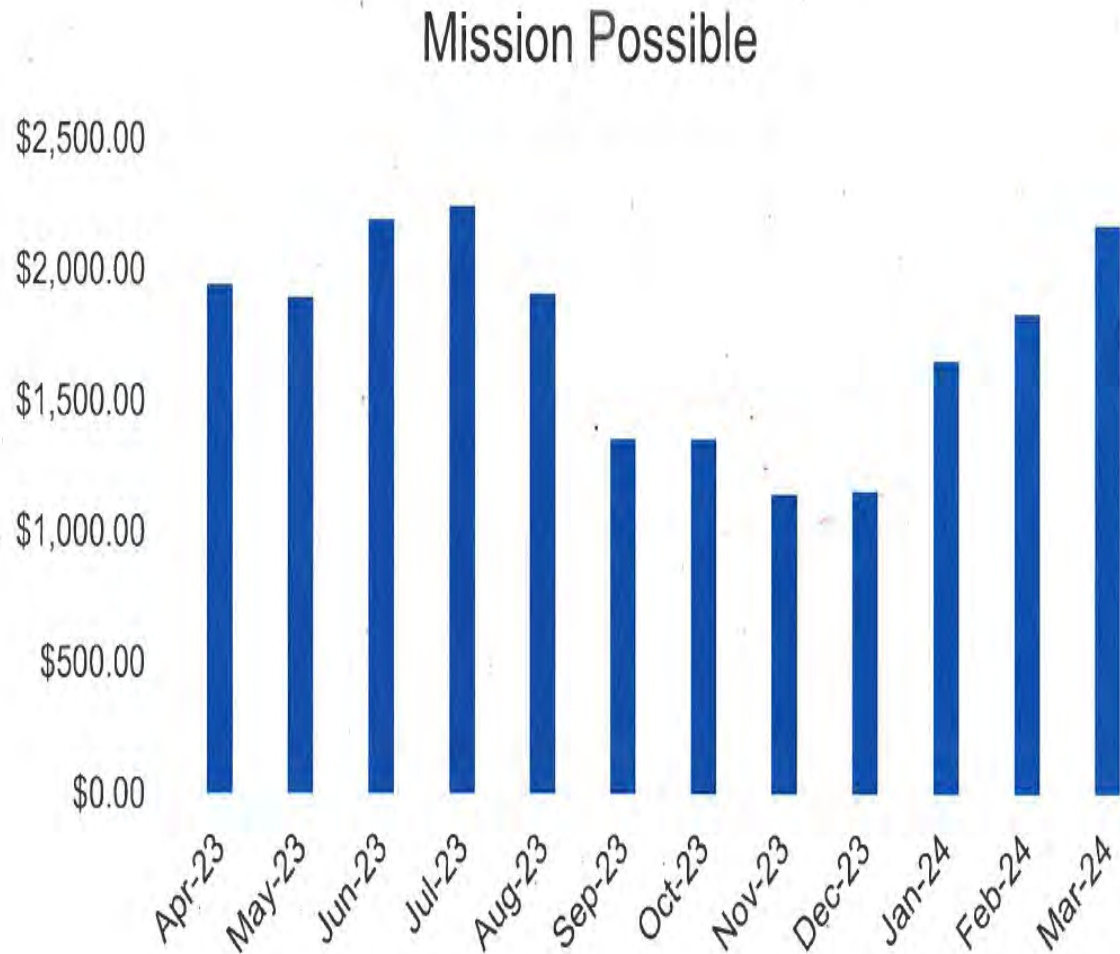


Del Norte Mission Possible

- Distributes empty bags to encampments
- MP exchanges bags full of trash for supplies and supports (tents, chargers, hand warmers, shoes, etc.)
- Regular collections, though dangerous encampments not included
- DNSWMA waives fees



Annual costs for Mission Possible



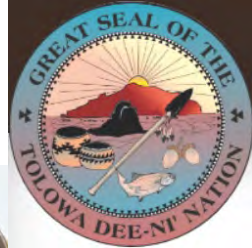
- Annual agency expense:
\$20,851
approx. 117 tons
- Monthly Averages:
~ \$1750 / mo
~ 9.75 tons / mo

Cleanups are a Community Thing

- Klamath River Cleanup
- TUPP Beach Cleanups
- River Cleanups
- Community Events
- US Forest Service Grants



The Yurok Tribe



Quiet Support for Individual Cleanups

– The Yellow Sheet at the scalehouse

- For trusted folks, generally who patrol specific areas
- Trust established by text photos before cleanup matching materials disposed
- Phone call from cleanup person, describes quantity and bulkies. Password
- Pre-approved to have fees waived (e.g. agency pays)
- Not advertised or discussed
- Gate staff know to have an 'attitude of gratitude'

Charge Authorized by:	Name	Password	Location / What Disposal OK=d	Phone number
Tedd	Kay		Wendydump - 2 Buckets, Oil - OK to be returned 8 tires	
Tedd	Dave Mason	NA	Trailer SW / Low Divide	
Tedd	Deborah & Yvonne Tribe	prajoonesh	2 bins + 4 trailers	
Tedd	Tobacco Use Prevention Program	World Smoking Free Here	Klamath Beach Cleanup IIII	
Tedd	Craig Strong	Exp Hero	Beach Cleanup - 6 loads	
Tedd	Ray Melvin	Roy	River Parc - 1 load	
			1 tire	

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Advocacy is a Community Thing Too

- Rural Counties' Environmental Services JPA
- Illegal Dumping Technical Advisory Committee
- California Product Stewardship Council
- California Resources Recovery Association
 - Global Recycling Council
- Northern California Recycling Association
- SB 54 Advisory Committee
- Statewide Commission



Thanks. Questions?

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'My life is garbage, but I'm in recovery'

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Sperm Whale Washes Ashore in Crescent City in 2008, killed by plastic



Vince Cinches

This is art made from plastic depicting this tragedy, not the actual whale that died.

Local Company Responds: Organic Essence



‘Organic Skin Care in Compostable Paper Packaging’

<https://www.organic-essence.com/>

CalTrans' Clean CA Events:

Early Engagement

Statewide Effort

Efforts to work through
'local partners'

Helpful for legacy stockpiles in
many cases

'Dump Day' events are perceived
differently in low-income areas
without mandatory collection, as
some stockpile materials waiting
for the next
'Free dump day'

Most everyone who has
organized dump days in rural
areas seek to end such programs,
not expand them.
Some politicians excepted.



The poster features a blue header with the 'CLEAN CALIFORNIA' logo. The main title 'LARGE ITEM DUMP DAY' is in large, bold, orange and blue letters. Below the title, an orange banner indicates the date and time: 'SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 | 9 AM - 1 PM'. A dark blue banner below that says 'DROP OFF 6 LARGE ITEMS FOR FREE!'. The poster lists accepted and non-accepted items, provides drop-off locations for large items and mattresses, contact information, and logos for sponsors: Caltrans, Clean California, Del Norte County, and Hambro WSG. An illustration shows a pink sofa, a mattress, and a refrigerator.

CLEAN CALIFORNIA

LARGE ITEM DUMP DAY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 | 9 AM - 1 PM

DROP OFF 6 LARGE ITEMS FOR FREE!

We are accepting:

- FURNITURE
- APPLIANCES
- TIRES (Limit 9 Per Load)
- MATTRESSES (Limit 6 Per Load)
- LARGE / BULKY HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

We **CANNOT** accept:

- HAZARDOUS WASTE
- ELECTRONICS
- HOUSEHOLD TRASH
- BUSINESS WASTE
- CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS
- YARD / LANDSCAPE DEBRIS

Bring large items to:

DEL NORTE COUNTY TRANSFER STATION
1700 STATE STREET

Bring mattresses to:

HUMBOLDT MOVING & STORAGE
1528 NORTHCREST DRIVE

Contact: D1CleanCA@dot.ca.gov
For info about Transfer Station services,
call 707-465-1100



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