



FRIENDS OF THE LA RIVER

Bette Davis Picnic Area & Bull Creek Saturday June 12, 2021

For our second week of CleanUp, FoLAR hosted sites at Bette Davis Picnic Area and Bull Creek (in Sepulveda Basin) while our self-guided volunteers cleaned their neighborhood and parks. Take a look inside to see our cumulative impact. Special thanks to TWO council offices this week: Councilmember Nithya Raman (CD4) stopped by Bette Davis, while Council President Nury Martinez (CD6) and Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council supported our site at Bull Creek. Also shout out to Anheuser-Busch who faithfully bring a team every year to CleanUp - this year they participated in our self-guided opportunities throughout the watershed. Every week we're doing our part together to keep the LA River clean.





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Volunteer in the wooded shade of Bull Creek (L), the Anheuser-Busch team conducts a self-guided cleanup (R)

BY THE NUMBERS

- 213 total volunteers, (350 vols over two weeks)
- 526 bags of trash, (860 total over two weeks)
- Weird items: ink cartridge, dumbbell, decorative tiles
- Wildlife on-site: Song sparrow, Yellow Warbler, Black Phoebe, Black-necked stilts, Black Phoebe, red-winged blackbirds and common yellow throats.
- +6500 lbs of trash removed from the LA River (cumulative)

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Media Mentions

Thanks to in-kind support from Lamar, we placed 50 billboards to advertise the return of CleanUp in 2021! Contact our team to sponsor FoLAR and be included in next year's announcement!

Special Thanks to Simple Human

Simple Human is supporting our CleanUp by providing the crucial ingredient of trash bags and hand sanitizer to our volunteers. Thank you, we couldn't do this without your support.





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CleanUp powers FoLAR's work year round!
With sponsor support we work to:

- Restore 110 acres of river wildlife preserve with invasive species removal.
- Protect urban riparian habitat for 1,200 species of wildlife.
- Generate 600 public comments to public agencies on impactful environmental policy.
- Advocate for 51 miles of river that serves our need for climate resiliency.
- Connect 3000 Title I students a year to nature in an outdoor or virtual classroom experience on the banks of the LA River.



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