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The **Center for Ocean Sciences Education Excellence-West** invites you, your colleagues and students, family and friends to a "journey through time" of our watersheds!
Admission is FREE.

"Visioning Southern California Watersheds Through Time: How Did We Get Here? Where Are We Now? And What Does the Future Hold?"

Speaker: Dr. Eric Stein

Southern California Coastal Water Research Project

at the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project Office

3535 Harbor Blvd., Suite 110, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Wednesday, December 2, 2009

6:30 - 7:30 pm: Public lecture and Q&A

7:30 - 8:30pm: Educators' Session

Eric will discuss the transformation of southern California watershed from a state of natural wildlands to an urban and suburban landscape. Eric will reveal how the degradation to our streams and the filling in of our wetlands has affected their "natural condition" by presenting an historical perspective of these systems. We will learn about a renewed appreciation of the ecological and social value of healthy natural resources and a vision for what we want our watersheds to be in the future. Eric will discuss how contemporary decisions of land use practices on our streams and wetlands have an effect on the potential recovery of the watersheds in which we live.

Eric Stein is a principal scientist at the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP), where he is head of the Watershed Dept. He oversees a variety of projects related to in-stream and coastal water quality, storm runoff, watershed modeling and assessment of wetlands. His current research focuses on effects of human activities on the condition of aquatic ecosystems, and on developing tools to better assess and manage those effects.

Prior to joining SCCWRP, Eric spent six years as a Senior Project Manager with the Regulatory Branch of the Los Angeles District Corps of Engineers, and four years with a private consulting firm. Eric received his Bachelors degree in Biology, Masters degree in Science Education, and Doctorate degree in Environmental Science and Engineering, all from UCLA.

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