

**BATIQUITOS LAGOON FOUNDATION**  
*Preserve, Protect, Enhance*

**2008 Volunteer Training Program Syllabus**

Classes begin at 9:00 am and end at 12:00 noon

**SESSION ONE: February 23, 2008**

**Introduction to Batiquitos Lagoon and the San Marcos/Encinitas Creek Sub-watershed**

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| • Welcome and Introduction to BLF, including plans for the future and volunteer opportunities | Fred Sandquist | (15 minutes) |
| • Course Overview, logistics, and introductions   | Don Rideout    | (25 minutes) |
| • What is a Wetland, Lagoon, Marsh, Estuary?  | Seth Schulberg | } 2 hrs.     |
| • Break; Refreshments   |                |              |
| • Natural and Human History of Batiquitos Lagoon  | Seth Schulberg |              |
| • Introduction Walk of the North Shore Trail  | Seth Schulberg |              |
| • Session Wrap-up and Homework  |                | 15 minutes   |

**SESSION TWO: March 1, 2008**

**The Land and the People**

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| • Native American history of the region   | Dennis Gallegos          | (55 minutes) |
| • Break; Refreshments   |                          | (15 minutes) |
| • Native American Culture and Story-telling   | Cathleen Wallace         | (55 minutes) |
| • Walk & talk focusing on how Native Americans lived and used the Batiquitos Lagoon habitat | Kathy Dickey and Friends | (40 minutes) |
| • Session Wrap-up and Homework  |                          | (15 minutes) |

**SESSION THREE: March 8, 2008**

**Wetland Habitats, Aquatic Life and Local Landforms**

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| • Introduction to lagoon aquatic life                            | Dr. Anne Spacie | (55 minutes) |
| • Break; Refreshments  |                 | (15 minutes) |
| • Batiquitos Lagoon landforms & local geology                    | Joan Lubowe     | (55 minutes) |
| • Walk & talk focusing on trailside geology and aquatic features | Joan and Anne   | (40 minutes) |
| • Session Wrap-up and Homework                                   |                 | (15 minutes) |

**SESSION FOUR: March 15, 2008**

**Plants and Insects of the Lagoon**

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| • Common Native & invasive plants of the region  | Carolyn Martus   | (55 minutes) |
| • Break; Refreshments  |                  | (15 minutes) |
| • Common Insects and spiders of the lagoon area  | Dave Dyer        | (55 minutes) |
| • Walk & talk focusing on trailside plant and insect identification (and maybe a few reptiles) | Carolyn and Dave | (40 minutes) |
| • Session Wrap-up and Homework   |                  | (15 minutes) |

**SESSION FIVE: March 22, 2008**

**The Migratory Flyway**

- Common local birds, migration patterns, categories, and identification tips Sharon Anthony (60 minutes)
- Break; Refreshments (15 minutes)
- Beak, Feet and Feathers Cecile Wadley (30 minutes)
- Bird watching walk Sharon and Friends (60 minutes)
- Session Wrap-up and Homework (15 minutes)

**SESSION SIX: March 29, 2008**

**Bats/Leading Public Walks**

- Common bats of the region and the role they play in our ecosystem Dick Wilkins (90 minutes)
- Break; Refreshments (15 minutes)
- Walk & talk led by the docents, focusing on how to lead group walks for children and adults Docents (60 minutes)
- Session Wrap-up and Homework (15 minutes)

**SESSION SEVEN: April 5, 2008**

**The Human Factor/Beach Walk**

**NOTE: Meet at Ponto Beach Parking Lot – See map in Section 7**

- Pressure and challenges of an urban lagoon Tim Dillingham (60 minutes)
- Break; Refreshments (15 minutes)
- Plants & animals of the shore Cecile Wadley (30 minutes)
- Walk along Ponto Beach Cecile and Friends (60 minutes)
- Session Wrap-up and Homework (15 minutes)

**SESSION EIGHT: March 24, 2007**

**Lagoon Ecosystem Maintenance/Graduation**

- Past and future monitoring of the lagoon Rachel Woodfield (60 minutes)
- Break; Refreshments (15 minutes)
- Course Wrap-up (60 minutes)
- Graduation and presentation of certificates. CONGRATULATIONS! (50 minutes)