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**Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy to Host over 100 Volunteers on
Sept. 25th for the local National Public Lands Day event
sponsored by Toyota and REI**

On Saturday, September 25th, 170,000 volunteers from across the nation, including over 100 at Alta Vicente Reserve in Rancho Palos Verdes, will visit their favorite parks, beaches, wildlife preserves, or forests to help improve these treasured places. They will be taking part in the 17th National Public Lands Day (NPLD), the largest, single-day volunteer event for public lands in our country.

The Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy and sponsors Toyota and REI will host volunteers of all ages at a local event, working to restore habitat and helping with trail work on one of the Conservancy-managed reserves. The Conservancy, Toyota and REI share a long history of environmental stewardship, and have created a strong partnership that gives volunteers the opportunity to learn and teach others about the importance of conservation. REI is the sponsor of the Conservancy's Outdoor Volunteer Workday Program. Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. of Torrance, California recently donated a Tundra truck to assist in the habitat restoration and trail maintenance work on the Preserves and employees of Toyota volunteer for this and other workdays throughout the year.

The volunteer day on Saturday, September 25th from 9am-12pm will offer opportunities to help remove invasive plant species, bird watching, mild guided hikes, volunteer t-shirts, and refreshments. The event will take place at the Alta Vicente Reserve located adjacent to the Rancho Palos Verdes City Hall (30940 Hawthorne Blvd., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275). Please RSVP to (310) 541-7613 or info@pvplc.org. Volunteers can also sign up through the National Public Lands Day website at www.publiclandsday.org.

The National Environmental Education Foundation coordinates National Public Lands Day, and nine federal agencies will participate, along with over 250 state, county, and city partners and nonprofit groups, including Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of USA, Student Conservation Association, and The Corps Network.

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The Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy is a nonprofit community-based organization dedicated to preserving land and restoring habitat for the enjoyment and education of all. The Conservancy owns or manages the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve, the Linden H. Chandler and George F Canyon Preserves in Rolling Hills Estates the White Point Nature Preserve, a facility of the LA City Department of Recreation and Parks, and habitat restoration on the Defense Fuel Supply Point in San Pedro.