



# The Roadrunner

Friends of the Northern San Jacinto Valley

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## FUNDRAISING FOR THE VILLAGES OF LAKEVIEW SPECIFIC PLAN 342 LAWSUIT

By Sue Nash

As you may have read in our February edition of The Roadrunner, the Friends and the San Gorgonio Chapter of the Sierra Club filed a lawsuit in April 2010 to vacate all of the Specific Plan and General Plan approvals for the Villages of Lakeview Specific Plan 342. This project is the core of Riverside County's plans to locate a new city of over 100,000 people adjacent to the southern boundary of the San Jacinto Wildlife Area. The Center for Biological Diversity and the San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society also filed a coordinated lawsuit in April. If the approvals for this project are vacated, the residents of Riverside County can work with the Riverside County Board of Supervisors to come up with a plan for sustainable development in the northern San Jacinto Valley; development which will have minimal negative impacts on the environment for people and wildlife, which will follow good land use and transportation planning methodology (which the county has in place through its Riverside County Integrated Plan, <http://www.rcip.org/>), which will ease the tax burden Lakeview/Nuevo residents, conserve water, protect vital agricultural lands, which will help reduce global warming and will improve the quality of life for us and for future generations.

The San Jacinto Wildlife Area is operated by the California Department of Fish and Game. As a state-owned wildlife area, on-site hunting is allowed. Members of the hunting community have been long-time strong supporters of the SJWA. A number of hunting clubs adjacent to the wildlife area have conservation easements with the department and these easements provide habitat and protection of plants and animals.

Also, the SJWA is a core reserve in the Western Riverside County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) reserve system. It protects more than 140 species of plants and animals some which are rare and endangered and not found anywhere else in the world.

Urban encroachment from the Villages of Lakeview project together with expanding urban encroachment from the cities of San Jacinto, Moreno Valley, Perris, and the 'future' new city of Lakeview will literally destroy the San Jacinto Wildlife Area. Habitat will be compromised and hunting will be reduced if not eliminated. The SJWA will become nothing more than an urban park or slated for future development.

In addition to attorney fees, we are responsible for other costs and costs related to the administrative record. Because of the immense size of the project (over 11,000 housing units and associated businesses) this lawsuit is the only way to prevent the entire San Jacinto Valley from becoming an urban city.

The Friends have taken on this task because we believe that the San Jacinto Wildlife Area is the jewel of the valley, a place where all southern California residents should be able to enjoy its beauties, far-ranging vistas and quiet moments of peace.

*We have enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope with our newsletter. We encourage all of you to take a minute and donate to the Friends. No matter what the amount (large or small), your donation matters. If you have made a recent donation or cannot afford to donate, please consider donating your time to our efforts.*

*We sincerely appreciate your dedicated support over the past 19 years.*

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### **SAN JACINTO WILDLIFE AREA—A Significant Natural**

**Area:** The 19,000 acre San Jacinto Wildlife Area is a state Department of Fish and Game facility; its lands are partial mitigation for the State Water Project, the project that brings water from northern California to southern California so that we can live and work here. It is a Stephens' Kangaroo Rat reserve for the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency (RCHCA); it is a cornerstone reserve in the Riverside County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP), the reserve system which, in theory, is supposed to protect and preserve the county's endangered animals and plants. Tens of thousands of waterfowl and shorebirds winter in the northern San Jacinto Valley. It is a known resting point and/or wintering site for migrating birds traveling the Pacific Flyway. The SJWA is known for the large number of wintering birds of prey (peregrine falcon, bald eagle ferruginous hawk, prairie falcon). The SJWA is considered one of the premier hunting areas in southern California. The northern San Jacinto Valley is considered a **Significant Natural Area** by the California Department of Fish and Game. The northern San Jacinto Valley and Mystic Lake are considered **Important Bird Areas** by the National Audubon Society. The San Jacinto Wildlife Area represents an \$80 million investment of the taxpayers' money. The state of California is the largest land owner in the San Jacinto Valley: San Jacinto Wildlife Area (19,000 acres which include 2,000 acres of Mystic Lake plus the 9,000 acres Potrero Creek Conservation Unit). In addition the Lake Perris State Recreation Area is comprised of 8,000 acres. The total acreage owned by the state in the San Jacinto Valley is 27,000 acres.

### **FRIENDS OF THE NORTHERN SAN JACINTO VALLEY V. DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME** by Sue Nash:

The Friends are back in the Court of Appeal on this case and fully expect to prevail once again. As Friends read the Court of Appeal decision, the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) was ordered to prepare a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document before completing the San Jacinto Wildlife Area Wetlands Restoration Project. The trial court agreed with the DFG, that the Court of Appeal did not really mean what they said. The Friends filed an appeal and will be briefing this issue this fall. The Friends will continue to try and work with the Department of Fish and Game for the benefit of the SJWA in ways that do not involve litigation.

### **350 PARTS PER MILLION AND AB 32 V. PROPOSITION**

**23 by Sue Nash:** AB 32, the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, was enacted because global warming poses a serious threat to the economic well-being, public health, natural resources and the environment of California. The goal of AB 32 is to reduce California green house gas emissions levels to 1990 levels by the year 2010. 350 ppm of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) is the number that James Hansen and other scientists have determined is the level to which atmospheric carbon must be reduced (from its current 385 ppm) in order to sustain human civilization as we now know it. Please look carefully at Proposition 23 before you vote! Prop 23, which is on the November 2010 ballot, will suspend California's air pollution control laws which require major polluters to report and reduce greenhouse gas emissions that cause global warming until state unemployment levels drop to 5.5 percent or less for a full year. Please check out [www.350.org](http://www.350.org) for more information and local events on October 10, 2010.

### **STATE LEGISLATURE FAILS TO DO THE MATH** by Tom

**Paulek:** On Wednesday September 1, 2010, over 200 dove

hunters participated in the opening day of dove season at the San Jacinto Wildlife Area (SJWA). We suspect that not all of the hunters chose to use lead shot shotgun shells because no doubt some hunters have made the switch to nontoxic alternative ammunition. Nevertheless, let us suppose each of the 200 dove hunters discharged their shotguns 10 times (the mourning dove daily bag limit is 10 birds). That amounts to 2,000 shotgun discharges on the opening day of dove season. The typical upland game shotgun shell contains 1.12 ounces of lead shot composed of 350 lead pellets. Cumulatively, this would add up to 140 pounds of lead or 700,000 lead pellets discharged on to the floodplain and wildlife conservation lands of the SJWA. Keep in mind, September 1 only marks the opening day of the upland game hunting season that typically runs to the end of January and also includes the shotgun hunting of California quail, ring-necked pheasant, snipe, and rabbits. If a midnight dumper was caught dumping that amount of toxic lead adjacent to the San Jacinto River, they would summarily be carted off to jail.

Authored by Assemblyman Pedro Nava, AB 2223 would have banned hunters from using lead shot on state wildlife areas. The assembly bill was rejected in the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee. This effectively killed the legislation for this year. The bill was opposed by the California Outdoor Heritage Alliance whose lobbyists argued it should be the California Fish and Game Commission, not lawmakers, making decisions on whether spent lead shot was actually hurting animals on our state wildlife areas. That question was resolved years ago when the federal government banned the use of lead shot for nationwide waterfowl hunting and on all of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife refuges.

More recently, The Wildlife Society reports that from a public health perspective lead can potentially lead to human health problems, including neurological effects and stunted growth, particularly in children. Recent research indicates that consumption of game taken with lead ammunition may increase blood-lead levels in humans although the extent of this exposure is still unclear. When lead-embedded-game meat is exposed to acid in the human stomach, lead may be absorbed into the body's system. Even if a lead pellet completely passes through a game animal, a small amount of lead may be left in the tissue and may be absorbed by a person consuming the meat.

Assemblyman Nava is leaving office this year, forced out by term limits, so the bill will need a new author if it is to be reintroduced in the next legislative session. Reintroduction of this legislation needs to occur. Also, recognizing the tremendous contribution that the hunting community has made to wildlife conservation nationwide and at the SJWA, we are hopeful our conservation friends at the California Outdoor Heritage Alliance will reexamine their position on this legislation. Given what is known, continuing to discharge lead on our state wildlife conservation lands cannot be good for either wildlife or hunters. Next year the legislature needs to at least do the math and consider the public health implications of this issue.

### **TURN YOUR BACK AND THEY WILL BE GONE** by Tom

**Paulek:** The conservation news for the Southern California Tricolored Blackbird population remains discouraging. Jonathan Feenstra, the coordinator of the Southern California (south of the Tehachapis) tricolor census for the last two years, reports the 2010 total came to **3,873** birds down from **5,500** the previous two years (2009 and 2008 statewide Audubon survey). Rose Cook, a Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) monitoring biologist, presented: *Recent History and Current*

*Status of the Tricolored Blackbird in Southern California.* This new report notes that between 1997 and 2005, the largest proportion of the Southern California tricolor population was found in western Riverside County, particularly in the San Jacinto Valley area. The report recalls that Hamilton observed one of the 10 largest nesting colonies in the 2000 state-wide tricolor survey in the San Jacinto Valley (20,000 birds at the Hemet Wastewater Treatment Plant). The report concludes that there is a strong negative trend in recent tricolor abundance in Southern California as a whole and in Riverside County in particular. The Cook report can be viewed at the U.C. Davis Tricolor Portal at: <http://tricolor.ice.ucdavis.edu/>

The long awaited UCLA genetic study has come out: *Population structure of the Tricolored Blackbird in California: are northern and southern populations genetically distinct?* This genetic analysis reveals no evidence of significant population structuring (differentiation) between the Southern California and Central Valley populations suggesting either that there is considerable movement between sites and few if any isolated populations, or isolation is very recent and is not yet reflected in the population genetic signature. The study indicates the Southern California population has gone through a significant population size decline over the last 50 to 100 generations. The study also notes that despite the current much smaller Southern California population size, a higher allelic diversity compared to the Central Valley population suggests the Southern California population is an important reservoir of genetic diversity for the species overall. The UCLA tricolor genetic study in its entirety can be viewed at the Department of Fish and Game document library: <http://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/documents/> (Nongame Wildlife Program 2010-05)

#### **RIVERSIDE COUNTY GENERAL PLAN UPDATE**

**CONTINUES** by Ann McKibben & George Hague: In our February 2010 newsletter we had a lengthy article regarding the Riverside County General Plan (GPU) update process. The estimated release date for the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the GPU is August 2011. The next General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC) meetings may take place from between March 2011 to June 2011. Apparently, the county is not doing a Climate Action Plan (CAP) as part of the general plan update process, but instead they plan on doing some interim measures related to Air Quality/Green House Gases and will hopefully adopt a CAP within a couple of years. We are concerned that they did not require the 11,350 unit Villages of Lakeview Specific Plan 342 (VOL) to be part of the General Plan Update, but instead decided to approve the VOL project before the general plan update was completed. There are many ways the General Plan Update's environmental impact report (EIR) could have an impact on the San Jacinto Wildlife Area and all of Riverside County. Complicating the issue, the county Planning Department has a new director; departments are being merged as a cost savings effort; and the county has laid off two-thirds of its planning staff. Planner: Mitra Mehta-Cooper, (951) 955-8514.

#### **PROPOSED MOTTE LAKEVIEW RANCH SP366:**

by Ann McKibben: Developers of the Motte Lakeview Ranch Specific Plan (SP366) plan to locate 2,000 dwelling units on land adjacent to the San Jacinto Wildlife Area. The project site is northeast of the Villages of Lakeview, north of the Ramona Expressway. The project site is adjacent to the San Jacinto River flood plain; there are serious geotechnical issues ranging from large ground cracks, soil compaction and

close proximity to the Casa Loma Fault (part of the San Jacinto Fault zone, one of the most active in geotechnical areas in southern California. According to Riverside County Planning Department, the draft Environmental Impact Report will probably be release in the summer of 2011. Project planner is Matt Straite, (951) 955-8631.

#### **SAN JACINTO RIVER LEVEE STAGE 4 PROJECT**

by Ann McKibben: The notice of preparation of a draft environmental impact report for the San Jacinto River Levee Stage 4 Project has been reissued. Comments were due in mid-August. Originally, the draft environmental impact report was going to be released this summer. The original NOP was released in 2007, but the lead agencies for the project have changed. The city of San Jacinto is now the only lead agency. Also the alignment of the project has changed and length of the levee has been extended. The \$25 to \$30 million project proposes to fill 1,900 acres of flood plain along the San Jacinto River so it can be developed by the city of San Jacinto. It also purports to protect roads and dairy lands from flooding. There are concerns that the project will eliminate San Bernardino kangaroo rat, burrowing owl and least Bell's vireo habitat. There are also concerns about the downstream effects on the San Jacinto Wildlife Area and south to Canyon Lake and Lake Elsinore. For more information on the project, call Tim Hults, City Manager, city of San Jacinto at (951) 487-7330.

#### **HIGHLAND FAIRVIEW CORPORATE PARK—Moreno**

**Valley:** Construction continues on the Highland Fairview Corporate Park in eastern Moreno Valley. The project is a 1.8 million square foot warehouse which will house the Skechers USA Inc. distribution center for the Western United States. The project will add approximately 2,200 daily diesel truck trips to Highway 60. As part of the settlement for the Sierra Club lawsuit against this project, Highland Fairview has to use certified equipment and monitor the air quality emissions. Highland Fairview owner, Iddo Benzeevi, owns approximately 80% of the undeveloped land in the city of Moreno Valley. He has previously made comments that he intends to develop 36 million square feet of warehousing and logistic centers for his corporate park in eastern Moreno Valley on lands north of the San Jacinto Wildlife Area.

#### **OTHER MORENO VALLEY WAREHOUSES:**

**Westridge Commerce Center:** The proposed Westridge Commerce Center is a 943,000 square foot industrial warehouse on 54.66 acres south of Highway 60 near the Redlands Boulevard exit & west of the Highland Fairview Corporate Park project.

**Prologis Park:** Is a 2 million square foot warehouse project between Moreno Beach Drive and the Quincy Channel along Highway 60 in eastern Moreno Valley (east of the Moreno Valley Auto Mall); access for the project would be via Moreno Beach Drive to Eucalyptus Avenue through the Auto Mall.

According to the Economic Development Summary found on the city of Moreno Valley web site ([http://www.moreno-valley.ca.us/do\\_biz/pdfs/newdevsum-0910.pdf](http://www.moreno-valley.ca.us/do_biz/pdfs/newdevsum-0910.pdf)), the city has more than 15 million square feet of industrial buildings under development. Some are undergoing approval on a negative declaration (no environmental review, no traffic analysis, and no air quality analysis). A number of the projects are being challenged by local community groups. Apparently the city's philosophy is, if we can't build houses, we'll fill our community with warehouses. According to a September 23, 2010 Press Enterprise article ([http://www.pe.com/business/local/stories/PE\\_Biz\\_D\\_stewart](http://www.pe.com/business/local/stories/PE_Biz_D_stewart)

[24.200bf53.html](#)), approximately 700,000 people leave the Inland Empire every day to drive to better paying jobs in San Diego, Orange and Los Angeles counties.

**PERRIS DAM REMEDIATION PROJECT:** The California Department of Water Resources may release the Final Environmental Impact Report on the repair of Perris Dam by December 2010.

**LINKS:**

*Friends of the Northern San Jacinto Valley:*

[www.northfriends.org](http://www.northfriends.org)

*San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society:* [www.sbvvas.org](http://www.sbvvas.org)

*Rare Bird Alert:*

<http://listserv.arizona.edu/archives/birdwest.html>

(Southeastern California RBA) or

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/inlandcountybirds/>

## **NATURE WALKS AND FIELDS TRIPS AT THE SAN JACINTO WILDLIFE AREA:**

### **October 24, 2010, Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon ARCHEOLOGY WALK**

Fall is a terrific time of the year to explore a fascinating aspect of Native American cultural heritage—rock art. Please join us for an extended stroll back through time to appreciate selected remnants of Native American life-ways and connections within the greater San Jacinto Wildlife Area. Participants on the walk will be introduced to some of the stories, ceremonies and practices of the early people who called this region home. A special emphasis will be placed on making our visits low-impact and respectful. Leaders: Steve Freers & Sue Nash.

### **November 14, 2010, Sunday, 7:00 a.m. NORTHERN SAN JACINTO VALLEY FIELD TRIP—San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society**

Check [www.sbvvas.org](http://www.sbvvas.org) for current information. SBVAS's birding field trip in the northern San Jacinto Valley will cover parts of the valley and the SJWA. On good days 100+ species can be found—wintering birds of prey, waterfowl and shorebirds. Leaders: Tony Metcalf (951) 242-7038 and Dave Goodward, (909) 783-2417. Meet at the parking lot by the gates of the SJWA. Access to the SJWA is from Davis Road off of the Ramona Expressway. It is a dirt road; do not drive on Davis Road if there have been recent rains. You can call or e-mail Tony Metcalf ([aemetcalf@gmail.com](mailto:aemetcalf@gmail.com)) or the San Jacinto Wildlife Area headquarters at (951) 928-0580 for updated road information.

### **December 2010 CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT at the SJWA—San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society**

Check [www.sbvvas.org](http://www.sbvvas.org) for information on the CBC in the northern San Jacinto Valley. All are welcome to join SBVAS and Friends on the bird count whatever your birding experience is.

### **January 2, 2011, Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. BEGINNING BIRD WALK—San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society**

Check [www.sbvvas.org](http://www.sbvvas.org) for current information. A slow-paced walk to introduce participants to basic birding techniques and identification skills so you will feel comfortable birding on your own or joining Audubon's longer birding trips. Winter is a great time to see waterfowl, shorebirds and birds of prey. Leader: Doug Karalun, (909) 425-5355.

### **February 6, 2011, Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon SJWA Nature Walk**

Join us for a morning of exploration at the SJWA. Wetlands, coastal sage scrub, upland grasslands provide a wide range of habitat for birds and other critters. Our leader is Tom Paulek who spent 15 years as the manager of the SJWA. His extensive knowledge of the history and wildlife at the SJWA will make this a true learning experience.

Just a reminder that there is all day waterfowl hunting on **all Wednesday and Saturdays** from **October 23, 2010 through February 5, 2011** at the wildlife area. There will be pheasant hunting on **Sunday, November 14 & Sunday, December 19**. Because of hunting activities we have to schedule our nature walks on Sundays during the fall & winter months. We plan on having Saturday walks (when possible) this spring.

Please take time to verify all walks at the Friends web page: [www.northfriends.org](http://www.northfriends.org) OR call us at (951) 924-8150 or (909) 228-6710 if you have any questions. Last winter three events had to be cancelled due to rain and muddy roads. Good to have the rain, but disappointing to cancel events.

**BEGINNING BIRD WALKS:** San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society organizes and sponsors Beginning Bird Walks (BBW) at locations in Riverside and San Bernardino counties. We are fortunate that a number of the walks are held at the San Jacinto Wildlife Area. Please note that the BBWs start at 8:00 a.m. Please check their web site at: [www.sbvvas.org](http://www.sbvvas.org) to verify all information on dates, time and locations for all of their Beginning Bird Walks. Or call Cathy Tobin at (951) 684-9613. **Thank you SBVAS!**

**FOR INFORMATION** on the Friends walks, call Ann McKibben at (951) 924-8150 or Sue Nash at (909) 228-6710. Our walks are free and open to all. Children are welcome and you do not need to be a member of the Friends to join us on any of our walks.

**WHERE TO MEET:** All nature walks meet at the appointed time in the parking lot of the San Jacinto Wildlife Area headquarters at 17050 Davis Road, Lakeview. There are picnic tables and restrooms available if you want to spend the day.

**FOR ALL WALKS:** Bring binoculars, camera (if you are interested), non-toxic insect repellent, sturdy walking shoes, hat, sunscreen, plenty of water, lunch, snacks, and wear appropriate clothing for the weather.

**WAIVER FORM:** All walk participants need to sign waiver of liability form. Please be aware that minors (under the age 18) cannot sign the waiver. The signator must be a parent or other responsible adult. If you will not be with or are dropping off a minor at one of the Friends' nature walks, please call Sue Nash at (909) 228-6710 or e-mail her at: [snash22@earthlink.net](mailto:snash22@earthlink.net)

### **TO VISIT THE SAN JACINTO WILDLIFE AREA:**

**Hours:** The wildlife area is open seven days a week from Dawn to Dusk. You are welcome to visit on your own at any time. There is an Information Kiosk on the east side of Davis Road adjacent to the parking lot.

**FALL HUNTING HOURS:** The San Jacinto Wildlife Area is owned by the state of California and managed by the Department of Fish and Game. Hunting is allowed at all

state-owned wildlife areas. Hunting fees which are collected at facilities throughout the state are used to manage wildlife habitat throughout the state.

**Waterfowl Hunting: October 23, 2010 through February 5, 2011; There will be ALL DAY waterfowl hunting on all Wednesdays and Saturdays. The Wetland Areas at the San Jacinto Wildlife Area will be closed ALL DAY ON WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAYS** for non-hunting public use during the waterfowl season.

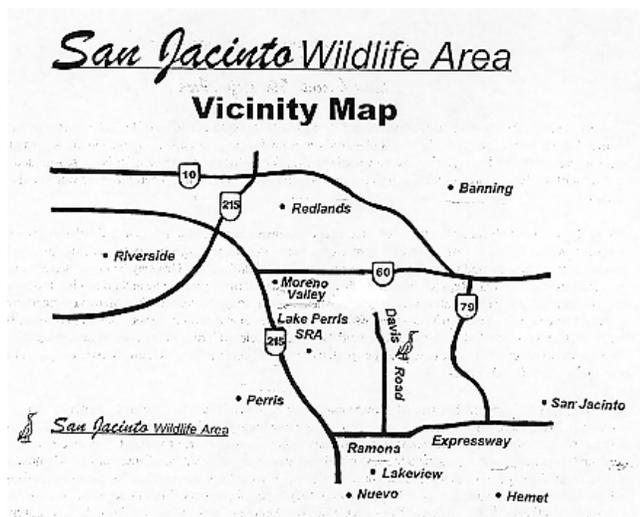
**Pheasant Hunting: November 14 (Sunday) and December 19 (Sunday).**

Please keep these dates in mind when you schedule your visits to the wildlife area and call the area staff at (951) 928-0580 during regular office hours (6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.) if you have any questions regarding the closed areas.

**DIRECTIONS TO THE SAN JACINTO WILDLIFE AREA:**

San Jacinto Wildlife Area, 17050 Davis Road, Lakeview. Telephone: (951) 928-0580. **DAVIS ROAD IS CLOSED FROM MORENO VALLEY.** Please use one of these alternate routes to visit the San Jacinto Wildlife Area. *From Moreno Valley:* go south on Perris Boulevard to the Ramona Expressway; go east on the Ramona Expressway to Davis Road in Lakeview; go north on Davis Road 2.3 miles to the headquarters. *From Hemet/San Jacinto Area:* take the Ramona Expressway west to Davis Road in Lakeview; go north on Davis Road 2.3 miles to the headquarters. *From Highway 215:* take the Ramona Expressway east to Davis Road in Lakeview (traffic signal); go north on Davis Road 2.3 miles to the area headquarters.

**PLEASE USE CAUTION WHILE DRIVING ON DAVIS ROAD IF THERE HAVE BEEN RECENT RAINS. Do not drive on Davis Road if it is muddy or it is raining. During the rainy season, please call the wildlife area headquarters, (951) 928-0580, during regular office hours (6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.) to ask about road conditions.** Please allow adequate time for the SJWA staff to return your call if you leave a message.



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS:** The Friends realize that we are fortunate to have supporters who continue to make donations to our organization year after year. Thank you for making it possible for the Friends to go forward with their work!

**THANK YOU** to Margie Breitkreuz and Ann McKibben for folding, labeling, and sealing our spring newsletter.

**SELF-GUIDED AUTO TOUR:** a self-guided auto tour is available for visitors to use at the San Jacinto Wildlife Area. These reusable guides follow a series of signs and explain what can be seen at each of the seven stops. You can pick them up from a box which is adjacent to the entrance kiosk. You will find a "return" box for the guides sitting on the other side of the road as you leave the wildlife area.

**TIRED OF OUR NEWSLETTER?:** The Friends would be happy to remove your name from our mailing list if you no longer want to receive our newsletter. Send your name and address to: Friends of the Northern San Jacinto Valley, P.O. Box 9097, Moreno Valley, CA 92552-9097; e-mail: [northfriends@northfriends.org](mailto:northfriends@northfriends.org) or call Ann McKibben at (951) 924-8150 to have your name deleted. Our current newsletter is posted on the Friends' web page at: [www.northfriends.org](http://www.northfriends.org)

**UP-COMING EVENTS:**  
**OCTOBER 23 (Noon to 4:00 p.m.) & 24 (9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.), 2010 – FALL PLANT SALE,** UCR Botanic Gardens. Information: (951) 784-6962. [www.gardens.ucr.edu](http://www.gardens.ucr.edu)  
**NOVEMBER 20 & 21, 2010 – WILDLIFE ART FESTIVAL,** San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. Information: (909) 307-2669.  
**MAY 7, 2011 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) – DUCK DAZE,** Hidden Valley Nature Center, 11401 Arlington Avenue, Riverside. Information: (951) 785-7452.

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