

North Torrey Pines Road community tree planting Saturday, May 17

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MEDIA ADVISORY

EVENT: North Torrey Pines Road Community Tree Planting--Staff and volunteers from UCSD and the City of San Diego will plant 50 new trees along North Torrey Pines Road.

TIME/DATE: Saturday, May 17 from 8 a.m. to noon

Instructions for volunteers at 8 a.m. Planting of the first tree at approximately 8:30 a.m. by San Diego City Councilman Harry Mathis and University of California, San Diego Chancellor Robert Dynes.

LOCATION: Median areas on North Torrey Pines Road between Salk Institute Road and Expedition Way. Volunteers will gather at Parking Lot #305 at Salk Institute Road. There will be free parking and free refreshments.

WHO: Staff and volunteers from the City of San Diego and UCSD. Approximately 25 student volunteers from UCSD Earth Day, with additional volunteers from UCSD student groups, fraternities and sororities. Community youth and service groups are welcome, as are community members and neighbors.

WHY: Approximately 50 Eucalyptus trees were removed from the North Torrey Pines Road median in recent years due to tree death resulting from drought, disease and environmental conditions. A cooperative project of the City of San Diego and UCSD will replace and enhance the median landscaping with a new irrigation system, transplanted mature trees from Solana Beach, 50 new Torrey Pine and Eucalyptus trees and mulch. The city and UCSD will provide maintenance of the area.

The large trees have been transplanted and the irrigation system is being installed. Campus and community volunteers are needed to plant the new trees.

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