

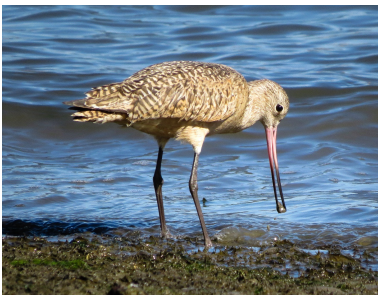


4th Tues. Conservation Lecture
Tues, October 24th - 7:30 PM
Learning Center, SJWS

“Oyster & Eelgrass Restoration in Upper Newport Bay”
by Katie Nichols & Kiarra Lyons, Orange County Coastkeeper

Katie Nichols, Marine Restoration Director for OC Coastkeeper, will provide an overview of the living shorelines oyster and eelgrass restoration project in Newport Bay. Kiarra Lyons, student from California State University at Fullerton, will discuss the bird-monitoring component.

The primary goal of the project is to assess the potential benefits of restoring Olympia oyster and eelgrass in Upper Newport Bay in Southern California. The work is designed to address pressing issues related to sea level rise and habitat loss and increase community awareness about the protection of marine ecosystems and a multitude of benefits, including: return of historically present but currently depleted species, enhanced habitat quality and connectivity for fish and wildlife, improved water quality, erosion control, and sea level rise adaptation.



Please join us. Doors open at 7:00 for snacks and social. Program starts at 7:30 PM.

Remember to access the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary from Westbound Campus Drive.