



Ecologistics Mission:

Our mission is to create a resilient and healthy community for the residents of the California Central Coast that is environmentally and economically sustainable. Ecologistics develops, conducts, and sponsors programs intended to provide information, encourage collaboration, generate conversation, inspire action, and engage the community. Ecologistics is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization run by an all-volunteer Board.

The Return of Central Coast Bioneers



After the pandemic hiatus in 2021, we were delighted to bring back the annual Central Coast Bioneers Conference on February 26. An in-person event was held at the SLO Guild Hall, but attendees also had the option of Zooming in to see our lineup of speakers. National Bioneers speakers included Deanna Van Buren, Julian Brave NoiseCat, Bill McKibben, Manuel Pastor, Suzanne Simard and Nalleli Cobo. We were thrilled to have noted author Mary Ellen Hannibal as our keynote speaker on the topic Telling Tales: Your Global Change Superpower. Afternoon panels included a discussion on the Future of Diablo Canyon, Beavers and Why They Matter, Offshore Wind is Coming, Run on Climate and Community Collaborative. Drummer Francesca Bolognini performed a closing ceremony and drumming lesson.

Carrizo Colloquium



After a 4-year, pandemic-imposed pause, Ecologistics held its 5th Carrizo Colloquium at the Atascadero Library on May 6. Speakers addressed numerous topics affecting the health and wellbeing of the Carrizo Plain, including status reports on San Joaquin kit fox, giant kangaroo rats, San Joaquin antelope squirrel and the pronghorn herds. Also discussed were the proposed expansion of the Carrizo Plain National Monument and management strategies and outcomes on the solar mitigation lands. New this year for the Colloquium was what turned out to be a very popular photography contest, with prize funds sponsored by Coastal Awakening. Photographer Chuck Graham was the closing speaker and signed copies of his book on the *Carrizo Plain: Where the Mountains Meet the Grasslands*.

California Corps Fellows Arrive



Ecologistics and its sponsored organizations were invited to participate in a new, ambitious California Corps Fellows Program. Students from Cal Poly, Cuesta College and Hancock College were assigned to various local nonprofits working in one of three areas – climate change, food insecurity and K-12. Ecologistics received 12 Fellows to work with SLO Climate Coalition, SLO County Food System Coalition, SLO Beaver Brigade and Homefront Environmental Justice Morro Bay, helping those organizations with their programs and projects. The Fellows will be with us until June 2023, and are proving invaluable.

Fiscal Sponsorship



Once again, Ecologistics' fiscal sponsorship program grew by leaps and bounds. It is clear there is a huge unmet need for this service. New in 2022 were Asian American and Pacific Islanders of San Luis Obispo, Bank Climate Advocates, Bright Ice Initiative, Climate Words, Our Roots-Our Routes, Floracycle, Nipomo Action Committee, SLO Review, Open Eyes Fund for Ukraine, Sustainable Law Group, The Cambriaca, Western Hills Garden, and Illinois Food Scrap and Composting Coalition. Ecologistics was excited to adopt our second international organization, Wi Yone Plastik, headquartered in Sierra Leone. This brings the total at the end of 2022 to 45 organizations under the Ecologistics umbrella.