

Point Reyes National Seashore Association Clem Miller Environmental Education Center

Shoreline Plastic Pollution Density Assessment Field Methods Training



The Clem Miller Environmental Education Center invites classes with a current reservation for Winter & Spring 2014 to join a global effort to study and reduce plastic pollution in the ocean. Marine plastic pollution is deadly to sea turtles, seabirds, and whales and poses a risk to the health and integrity of all marine food webs.

Students and teachers receive hands-on training using the established shoreline debris density assessment scientific protocol used by the U.S. National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration

(NOAA) and other researchers across the world.

Launched in 2010 by Dr. Chris Pincetich (pictured above), the Marine Debris Action Teams project engages teachers, students and scientists across the globe to increase our understanding of marine debris and plastic pollution in coastal and marine ecosystems. Through research, education, and action, individuals are making a difference in reducing plastic pollution.

Participating teachers receive educational materials explaining the serious impacts of plastic pollution on sea turtles and other marine life.

For Clem Miller groups, the closest study site is located on Limantour Beach and accessible by car or by foot. There are also study sites at Drakes, South, Kehoe and Palomarin beaches.

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