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COSCO BUSAN OIL SPILL: SAN MATEO COUNTY UPDATE #1
Second Volunteer Training Scheduled for Thursday in Half Moon Bay

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. – A second volunteer training has been scheduled for Thursday November 15 at the I.D.E.S. Hall at 735 Main Street in Half Moon Bay from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Registration is not required; however, the San Mateo County Office of Emergency Services is asking all interested volunteers to register at www.smcalert.info and select the Coastside and/or Bayside CERT Groups. For more information on the Half Moon Bay class, call (650) 726-8288. San Mateo County has opened an oil spill volunteer hotline with a recorded message announcing upcoming training opportunities. The hotline number is (650) 363-4099.

Approximately 71 volunteers were trained today in Pacifica. These volunteers are on standby and will be contacted as needed for beach cleanup. Contractors for Cosco Busan will be back in Pacifica tomorrow at 1 p.m. to continue removing oil from Esplanade Beach, where the oil has been discovered. The City of Pacifica has closed and posted all the city's beaches. The following beaches will remain closed until further notice: Esplanade, Linda Mar, Rockaway and Sharp Park.

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For Oil Spill Reporting Please call these numbers:

Oiled Wildlife Reporting Hotline: 877-823-6926
Oil Sighting and claims: 866-442-9650
Public Info Hotline & Media Inquiries: 415-399-7305

San Mateo County (www.co.sanmateo.ca.us)

Volunteer Registration
www.smcalert.info (select the Coastside and/or Bayside CERT Groups)

Oil Spill Volunteer Hotline (announcements of upcoming training)
(650) 363-4099