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At today’s October 25 Orange County Board of Supervisors meeting, OC Public Works received the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) 2016 Challenge Award for its innovative Adopt A Channel program. These unique awards honor innovation and best practices in county government.

The community stewardship-based program improves the physical appearance of Orange County’s flood control channels, enhances the environment through trash and graffiti removal, and helps keep your community clean while keeping you safe from floods.

Since the approval of the countywide Adopt A Channel Program in December 2014, over 17 miles of channel have been adopted by local businesses, agencies and organizations. As of July 2016, over 11,040 pounds of trash and debris and 45,115 square feet of graffiti have been removed from Orange County flood channels.

OC Public Works thanks the following organizations who have generously volunteered to be channel adopters as part of this program:

- Bolsa Chica Conservancy
- Disneyland Resort
- Orange County Conservation Corps
- Regent Association Services
- The Sharp Family
- Tetra Tech
- The Ranch at Laguna Beach
- Yorba Linda Rotary
- Orange County Water District (Pending)
- Orange County Coastkeeper (Pending)
- Ryan Holmes (Pending)
- Wyland Worldwide (Pending)

More information about the Adopt-A-Channel
https://ocpw.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapJournal/index.html?appid=108d282930e64aabba864239bd20bc78