



## Celebrate World Wetlands Day



Wetlands play a crucial role in wildlife habitat and water quality.

Celebrate World Wetlands Day with the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee (LVWCC) on **Thursday, Jan. 31**, from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** and learn how "Wetlands Take Care of Water."

In recognition of World Wetlands Day, the LVWCC is inviting local organizations, schools, and environmentally active citizens to come and explore the wetlands of the Wetlands Park and learn about their function and value.

Guided nature walks will be offered along the trails of the Wetlands Park to identify wildlife, habitat zones and the role that wetlands play in water management. Displays and booths representing many of the LVWCC member agencies also will be available, offering a multitude of information.

Held within the Clark County Wetlands Park, the third annual event will take place at the nearly complete Nature Center, near Tropicana Ave. and Broadbent Blvd.

For more information on World Wetlands Day, visit [lwash.org](http://lwash.org).

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## Las Vegas Wash Removed from Impaired Waters List

Helped by the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee's (LVWCC) erosion control and stabilization efforts, the Las Vegas Wash has officially been removed from the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's (NDEP) List of Impaired Waters.

Required by the Clean Water Act, the NDEP regularly conducts a comprehensive analysis of water quality data for all of Nevada's surface waters to determine whether state water quality standards are being met. When water bodies fall short, they are listed on the state's Section 303(d) List of Impaired Waters.

Over the past 10 years, the Las Vegas Wash was on the List of Impaired Waters for high levels of iron, total suspended solids, molybdenum and selenium. With the completion of construction and revegetation on 15 of 22 proposed weirs, data has shown significant improvements in several water quality parameters, especially total suspended solids.

NDEP's delisting of the Las Vegas Wash is just one of many achievements accomplished by the LVWCC as it continues to implement the Comprehensive Adaptive Management Plan.

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## Meeting Location Change

All of the listed January 2013 meetings will be held in the nearly completed Nature Center at the Clark County Wetlands Park, located at 7050 Wetlands Park Lane. For more information or directions, please call **(702) 455-7522**.

### Upcoming Meetings

#### Las Vegas Valley Watershed Advisory Committee

Jan. 8, 2013  
2 p.m.

#### Administrative Study Team

Jan. 9, 2013  
8:30 a.m.

#### Operations Study Team

Jan. 9, 2013  
10:30 a.m.

#### Research and Environmental Monitoring Study Team

Jan. 9, 2013  
1:30 p.m.

#### Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee

Jan. 29, 2013  
8:30 a.m.  
(tentative)