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November 2015 Highlights

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Save the Dates

Monday, November 2nd: NY Port Ambrose Final Public Hearing at the Long Beach Hotel from 6 - 10pm

Tuesday, November 3rd: NY Port Ambrose Final Public Hearing at the Long Beach Hotel from 6 - 10pm

Wednesday, November 4th: NJ Port Ambrose Final Public Hearing at the Sheraton in Eatontown from 6 - 10pm

Thursday, November 5th: NJ Port Ambrose Final Public Hearing at the Sheraton in Eatontown from 6 - 10pm

Wednesday, November 11th: Debris Free Seas: Finding solutions through science and citizen action at Brookdale Community College. Beach Captains, teachers, and students are FREE. \$10 fee for other registrants. Register online at www.CleanOeanAction.org

For more information on these events and how to register please visit our website.

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The Final Battle against LNG has begun!

Last chance to speak out against this dangerous project!

After seven years, the final battle against Port Ambrose liquefied natural gas facility is now underway! All hands on deck are needed to sink this dangerous proposal, once and for all! The final public hearings have been scheduled for New York and New Jersey, and this is your final opportunity to raise your concerns about this unnecessary and detrimental project.

There are double the hearings in each state so we will need double the turn out! Please show your support for keeping our ocean wild and industry free! RSVP for the public hearings below at www.cleanoceanaction.org and spread the word.

NEW YORK
Monday, November 2nd
Tuesday, November 3rd
Long Beach Hotel in Long Beach
405 East Broadway, Long Beach, NY
Hearing: 6pm to 10pm
RSVP at www.CleanOceanAction.org or
call 732-872-0111

NEW JERSEY
Wednesday, November 4th
Thursday, November 5th
Sheraton Eatontown Hotel
6 Industrial Way, Eatontown, NJ
Press Conference & Rally: November
4th, 5pm, Monmouth Ocean Room
Hearing: 6pm to 10pm
RSVP at www.CleanOceanAction.org or
call 732-872-0111



For information about the concerns and issues facing the shore, public safety, and fossil fuels go to the COA website at www.CleanOceanAction.org.

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Urge the Governors to Veto Port Ambrose

After the final hearings on November 5th, both Governor Christie and Governor Cuomo will have 45 days to veto Port Ambrose. The national and regional safety issues, and environmental and economic concerns that prompted Governor Christie's first veto remain: this project would destroy important environmental resources, undermine our clean ocean economies, threaten our national and regional security, limit access to fishing areas, and accelerate climate change. Governor Christie and Governor Cuomo can and must put an end to this project once and for all. The Deepwater Port Act gives Governors the power to say "no".

Call the Governors today and urge them to veto Port Ambrose:

Call Governor Christie: 609-292-6000 Urge him to Veto Port Ambrose as He Vowed in 2010.

Sample Phone Message:

"Hi, my name is ______. I am a voter/student/resident from _____ and I am calling to urge Governor Christie to veto the Port Ambrose liquefied natural gas project.

In 2010 Governor Christie promised as long as he is Governor he would veto any LNG application off our coast. I urge Governor Christie to keep his word and veto Port Ambrose.



Volunteer Lynn Schambach

This project is bad for New Jersey, harmful to

the marine environment and threatens our economy and safety. All these damaging results are needless. We do not need imported natural gas; the U.S. has an ample domestic supply. Governor Christie must put an end to this project once and for all by vetoing Port Ambrose. Thank you."

Governor Cuomo: 1-800-566-5020 Urge him to Veto Dangerous & Dirty Fossil Fuel!

Sample Phone Message:

"Hi, my name is ______. I am a voter/student/resident from ____ and I am calling to urge Governor Cuomo to veto the Port Ambrose Deepwater project.

Liquefied natural gas pollutes methane, a potent greenhouse gas, and NY cannot reduce climate pollution 80% by 2050 with the build-out of natural gas infrastructure.

New York needs to produce 50% of our energy from renewable sources by 2025 & Port Ambrose directly competes for space with offshore wind projects.

We do not need imported natural gas; the U.S. has an ample domestic supply.

That is why I urge Governor Cuomo to veto Port Ambrose. Thank you."



NJ Legislators Lead Fight in Trenton to Block Port Ambrose

Earlier this month Clean Ocean Action along with elected officials, environmental leaders, and concerned citizens launched the final battle against Port Ambrose. Senator Beck and Assemblywoman Casagrande, both of whom are leading the legislative charge in Trenton against Port Ambrose, spoke strongly against Port Ambrose and the dangers it poses to



our coast. Senator Beck and
Assemblywoman Casagrande
are sponsors of resolution SR21/
AR202 (respectively) opposing
Port Ambrose and urging
Governor Christie to veto the
project. Their resolutions raise
the many concerns about the
proposed facility, including the

environmental and safety impacts. The resolutions have bi-partisan support and are continuing to gain traction in the Statehouse. Currently, there are 8 Senators co-sponsoring the resolution, including Senators Connors, Bateman, Singer, Greenstein, Barnes, Weinberg, Kean, and Whelan.

Also at the press event, COA released the video of Governor Chris Christie vowing to veto any LNG project off the Jersey Shore. The video is of the Governor on Earth Day, April 22nd 2010, stating "as long as I am Governor I will oppose any application for any type of liquefied natural gas project." You can view this video on the main page of our website: www.CleanOceanAction.org.

Education

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30th Annual Fall Beach Sweeps

On Saturday, October 24th, close to 3,000 volunteers hit the beaches to participate in Clean Ocean Action's 30th Annual Fall Beach Sweeps at over 65 sites from Essex County to Cape May County. Volunteers removed and catalogued each piece of debris, helping to document ongoing pollution issues. Robust crowds were reported up and down the coast. Many volunteers came as teams from local businesses, corporate and grassroots organizations, school and church groups,



ch groups,
and families,
all with personal ties to the Shore and some

with decades of Sweeps participation.

Special thanks to the Beach Captains who helped make this event so successful. Beach Captains, lead volunteers who direct the entire group of participants at each Beach Sweeps location, are essential to the program's success. They are the heart and soul of Beach Sweeps. These dedicated volun-

teers coordinate and manage all of the vol-

unteers on the day of the event, answer questions from the volunteers about ocean pollution and serve as COA representatives.

On Sandy Hook alone, Beach Sweep volunteers picked up: 5,846 plastic pieces, 5,324 food/candy wrappers, 4,785 caps/lids, 2,206 straws/stirrers, 1,879 cigarette filters, and 1,047 plastic beverage/soda bottles.

The next Beach Sweeps will be on Saturday, April 30th. In the meantime, join us at the Debris Free Sea Conference on November 11, 2015.

Events

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Tails Wagged for Clean Beaches

Over 65 dogs participated from Boston to Baltimore in the first annual Sandy Paws, a beach dog walk and clean up, this past October 10th! The main event in New Jersey was held at the dog-friendly Asbury Park boardwalk and beach.

The morning kicked off with a successful beach cleanup which was debris-ridden due to previous storms. Some participants opted to purchase a litter grabber for their walk which was provided by Litter Hounds, a local business that donates the proceeds to COA and MSCPA. The dogs loved stopping by the PAWsome

vendors where they enjoyed free treats, new doggie bags,

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travel water bowls, and more! Dog related prizes were given to the most creative and funniest costume, and the top dog, Pax, who raised additional funds to protect his favorite beach! The event concluded with puppy playtime and a "Tail"-gate Yappy Hour at the famous Wonderbar.

Special thanks to inaugural sponsors Bayshore Recycling, Whole Earth Center,

and World Subaru and Jeep. This new event was a great success and helped to create awareness for clean beaches for pets and people. We hope you and your FURiends will join us next year! To check out photos from this fun event, visit www.facebook.com/COASandyPaws.

Making Waves on the Navesink!

Whitecaps on the water, 20 mph headwinds, and chilly temperatures didn't stop the paddlers at COA's recent Shore Paddle event on the Navesink River! Over 100 participants joined us at Marine Park in Red Bank for the 2015 Shore Paddle, a Stand Up Paddleboard (SUP) Race and Fun Paddle.



While the water providing challenging conditions, the top paddlers in the 6.5 Mile Race finished in just under an hour and a half!

In the park, bystanders who wanted to get their feet wet could demo boards from various vendors, such as Jersey Paddler, Boardworks, Rhizotomy, and Navesink River Paddler, and enjoyed free lessons by Aqua Vida SUP. In the

cove, SUP yoga was taught by Ohanala SUP. Children made cheer cards for their favorite paddlers, had their faces painted, and paddled in the half-mile kids paddle!

Upcycled awards from BY & LG and Salt Life sunglasses were presented to the top finishers in WPA SUP Race categories at the after-party at Jamian's Food & Drink. All participants enjoyed great food and an outdoor party atmosphere with complimentary drinks from Sponsors Finlandia Vodka and Shore Point Distributors. Give-away bags were presented with items from sponsors, such as Two River Community Bank, and local businesses. Waves of thanks to all the paddlers, sponsors, volunteers, and safety boats at the 2015 Shore Paddle! To view photos, more information, and the 2016 date of this SUPer event, visit www.facebook.com/ShorePaddle.

