



Santa Clarita Organization for Planning and the Environment

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Don't Forget!

**You're Invited to our January SCOPE Meeting
to set this year's goals. We want to hear from you!**

**Saturday, January 25th 3:00-5PM
Valencia Library Community Room
23743 Valencia Blvd, Santa Clarita**

Each year SCOPE members focus on 3 or 4 environmental or planning issues that seem to be of most concern for our community. These have included the Santa Clara River, local endangered species, water pollution, the California Environmental Quality Act, air pollution, etc. Please come and give us your input on what is important to you.

ALSO,

**Special Guest Speaker,
Rick Drew, President, Citizen's Advisory Group
(a community group set up to provide public input on the
Whittaker Bermite Clean up)**

Whittaker Bermite is a 900+ acre former munitions manufacturing facility in the middle of our City (click [here](#) for a site map). Much of this area was contaminated by chemicals used in the manufacturing process including volatile organic compounds and ammonium perchlorate. These chemicals have also seeped into the ground water and caused the closure of several water supply wells in the valley.

Among the CAG's accomplishments last year was getting the



oversite agencies to require more frequent testing of threatened water wells. Rick will give us an update on the clean up from a community perspective.

Water pollution was a focus goal for SCOPE last year, so we worked closely with the CAG to monitor and comment on these pollution issues.

Court Hearings on the Newhall Ranch Project

JANUARY 27TH AND FEBRUARY 5TH

Oral arguments of the Newhall Ranch River permit will be heard before the 2nd District Appellate Court on Feb 5th in downtown Los Angeles.

Arguments on the 1st phase of the Newhall Ranch project (Landmark) will be heard before the Superior Court in Norwalk on Jan 27th.

If you would like to attend either of these hearings, please contact exec@scope.org for further information and carpooling.

SCOPE in the News -

["Suit Challenges Purchase of Water Company to benefit Newhall Ranch"](#)

["Serious Action Needed on the Climate"](#)

["The California Environmental Quality Act](#)

[Helps Everyday Heroes Protect Their Neighborhoods"](#)

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Mom says, "You should help the environment"

"Long time SCOPE member Evelyn Carpenter helped us to help you save the Santa Clara River with her donation to SCOPE.

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