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EPA recognizes groups for Palos Verdes shelf efforts

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The Environmental Protection Agency has recognized a collection of local groups and government agencies for its efforts to educate people, including non-English speaking anglers, about the contaminated Palos Verdes shelf.

The ocean floor off White Point contains sediment contaminated with DDT and PCB, chemicals the EPA years ago traced to area industries, including the former Montrose Chemical Corp. factory in Harbor Gateway.

The Palos Verdes Shelf Fish Contamination Education Collaborative - which includes Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, Heal the Bay and the county Department of Health Services, among others - was honored in Washington, D.C., with a National Citizen Excellence in Community Involvement Award, the EPA said.

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