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August 24, 1998

Dear Robert,

It's that time of year again. We're setting up the schedule for the INC Land Steward Training Class and I am writing to you to confirm your participation. We are again offering the class spring semester at Saddleback College. Trish has tentatively scheduled a Saturday field trip with you and Robert Fisher for **Saturday, January 30 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.** out in Limestone Canyon. Also, she has scheduled you to present an evening lecture on Monitoring Reptiles on **Wednesday, February 3 from 7 - 10 pm.**

I realize January is a long time away but the college needs our syllabus now so please make your best guess about your availability and we'll deal with unexpected emergencies later if need be. If you know for sure these dates won't work, please suggest an alternate date. The class runs January 13 - March 3. When everyone is confirmed, I will send you a class syllabus for your records.

You may telephone (714/832-7478), FAX (714/832-7968) or E-Mail (dctncirv@pacbell.net) your response.

Thanks, Robert. I hope to hear from you soon

Sincerely,

Debra Clarke

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Outreach Coordinator

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LAND STEWARD TRAINING

COURSE SYLLABUS
ENV 189 SPRING 1999

Instructor: Trish Smith, Project Director
The Nature Conservancy, Irvine Co. Open Space Reserve

CLASS #	DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC/ACTIVITY
1	13-Jan	Trish Smith, Project Manager, TNC Mike Reeder, O.C. H.B.&P. Park Ranger	Introduction to Land Stewardship: Roles and Responsibilities Natural Communities: description, threats, and land stewardship activities. Basic field skills: field pack essentials, map interpretation. Peter's Canyon Regional Park: Basic Field Skills
field trip	16-Jan	Mike Reeder, Peter's Canyon Regional Park	
2	20-Jan	Bill Tidwell, Manager, OC Public Facilities, Ted St. John, Researcher/Tree of Life Nursery	Exotic Plants: Discussion of types and available control methods. Habitat Restoration: Site recon, removal of disturbances, site closure, soils, planting methods, assessment of success. San Onofre State Park: Coastal Sage Scrub Restoration at San Onofre State Park. To include weed removal field work.
field trip	23-Jan	Trish Smith, TNC Irvine Co. Open Space Reserve	
3	27-Jan	Kevin Crooks, Mammal Research, UCSC	Monitoring Mammals: Overview of mammal species and distribution, trapping techniques, mammal tracking, scat collection and identification.
field trip	30-Jan	Kevin Crooks/Robert Fisher	
4	3-Feb	Robert Fisher, Reptile/Amphibian Research UCSC, SDSU	Limestone Canyon: Mammal and Reptile Monitoring Reptile Monitoring: Overview of reptiles and amphibians. Methods for monitoring reptiles; pitfall trapping
field trip	6-Feb	John Gannaway OC Park Ranger, Caspers RP Ron Slimm, OC Park Ranger, Whiting Ranch WP	Whiting Ranch Regional Park: Tool Safety and Trail Restoration
5	10-Feb	Trish Smith	
field trip	13-Feb	Trish Smith / Julie Green, Plant Ecologist	Vegetation Monitoring: types of vegetation monitoring, overview of methods and materials, photodocumentation
6	17-Feb	Kurt Lohheit, Trail Restoration Specialist/ Ron Slimm	Laguna Coast Wilderness Park: Vegetation Monitoring California Gnatcatcher biology Trail Enhancement and Tool Use
field trip	20-Feb	Trish Smith	
7	24-Feb	Robin Wills, Fire Ecologist, The Nature Conservancy	Location TBD: Mist Netting/Bird Banding Fire Management: Fire Ecology, role of prescribed fire, procedures and parameters for implementing a prescribed burn.
8	3-Mar	Trish Smith / Debra Clarke, Outreach Coordinator, TNC Ron Slimm, Park Ranger, Whiting Ranch WP	Volunteer Opportunities: Where and how to get involved in ongoing resource management activities.
9	10-Mar	Trish Smith	Final Exam