

The New Law

- ◆ Bans the use of all tobacco products (cigarettes, chew, cigars, etc.) in parks, beaches, and trails except at Cachuma Lake & Jalama Beach
- ◆ Violators may pay a fine from \$100 to \$500
- ◆ The County Health Officer, park rangers, and/or law enforcement officers are responsible for enforcement



1. National Cancer Institute
<http://cancer.gov/newscenter/tip-sheet-secondhand-smoke>
2. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
www.Surgeongeneral.gov/library/secondhandsmoke/report/chapter1.pdf
3. Surfrider Foundation, San Diego Chapter, *Hold on to Your Butts!*
www.surfrider.org/hotyb.php

For More Information

PLEASE CONTACT:

Santa Barbara County Parks Dept.
(805) 681-5650 or (805) 934-6123

Email:

sbparks@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

Website:

<http://www.countyofsb.org/parks>

OR

Santa Barbara County Public Health Dept.
Tobacco Prevention Settlement Program
(805) 681-5407 or (805) 346-7275

Email:

tobacco@sbcphd.org

Website:

<http://www.countyofsb.org/tobacco>

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Tobacco-Free Parks Beaches & Trails

Information about the
new tobacco-free law



Did You Know?

As of May 2010, it is illegal to smoke or use any form of tobacco at Santa Barbara County's parks, beaches, and trails.

This new law was passed to protect people's health and the environment.

- ◆ Secondhand smoke causes an estimated 38,000 deaths among non smokers each year in the United States.¹
- ◆ The US Surgeon General has stated there is no risk-free level of exposure to second-hand smoke.²



- ◆ Cigarette butts are a major source of litter
 - * Almost two billion cigarette butts are littered every day worldwide
 - * Americans toss more than 175 million pounds of cigarette butts every year.³



For a complete list of county parks, beaches, & trails, visit:

<http://www.countyofsb.org/parks>



How Can I Help?

We are all responsible for following the law and signs are posted to remind people of the new law. If you witness someone smoking or using tobacco you may:

- ◆ Politely remind them of the law and ask them to stop smoking, or
- ◆ Notify a park ranger or law enforcement officer
- ◆ Contact the Parks or Public Health Department (See back for details)

Please do your part to keep our parks, beaches, and trails clean and free of tobacco smoke and litter for the enjoyment of all visitors.



California
Smokers'
Helpline

For free help with quitting smoking or tobacco use, please call the California Smoker's Helpline at 1-800-662-8887