



# CityScene

March 2016

Thank you for signing-up and staying updated on the latest events and happenings in the City of Thousand Oaks.



*March's Featured Photo:*

*"Thousand Oaks Boulevard in 1966"*

## THOUSAND OAKS BOULEVARD UTILITY UNDERGROUNDING PROJECT

Construction work for the Thousand Oaks Boulevard Utility Undergrounding Project will begin this month. The project is a part of a long-planned effort to modernize and improve the Boulevard by removing 48 electrical poles and all associated overhead communication and cable lines along a 1.5-mile portion of Thousand Oaks Boulevard between Duesenberg Drive and Via Merida. There will be periodic lane closures in order to install the new facilities.

Please visit [www.toaks.org/UndergroundTOB](http://www.toaks.org/UndergroundTOB) for more information about the project, and to sign up for weekly construction and traffic updates.



## DOG LICENSE CANVASSING

Representatives from the City's animal control agency, Los Angeles County Animal Care and Control, will be canvassing City neighborhoods checking for unlicensed dogs during the first few weeks of March. The Thousand Oaks Municipal Code requires that all dogs four months of age and older be up to date on rabies vaccinations and dog licenses.

Dog licenses cost \$20 for spayed or neutered dogs and \$60 for non-spayed or neutered. Additionally, there is a \$30 late fee for not renewing a dog license prior to its expiration, and a \$40 field enforcement fee if an animal is found unlicensed during canvassing. The field enforcement fee can be avoided by obtaining a license for your dog through Los Angeles County Animal Care and Control.

For information on licensing contact the Animal Licensing Division at [\(562\) 345-0400](tel:5623450400), or visit the Agoura Animal Care Center located at 29525 Agoura Road, Agoura Hills.

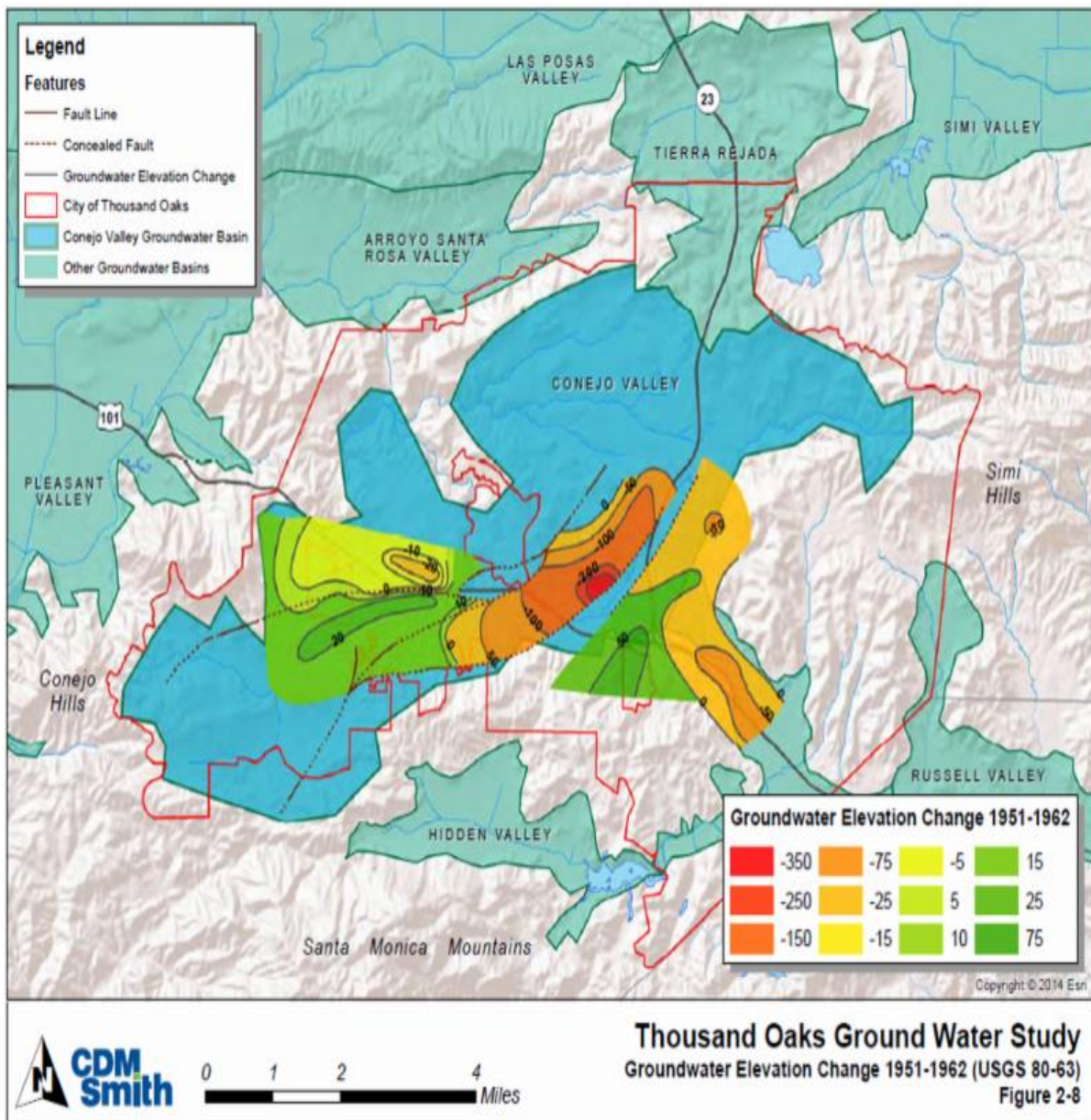
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## **CITY COUNCIL APPROVES GROUNDWATER STUDY**

As part of an effort to seek additional sources of water for Thousand Oaks, at its February 23, 2016 meeting, City Council approved a Groundwater Study. The study, concluded that groundwater can be developed to replace up to 10 percent of the imported water the City receives from Calleguas Municipal Water District, the County's water wholesale agency.

Securing an additional resource will help the City reduce dependency on imported water. Project details, including a copy of the study can be viewed at [www.toaks.org/groundwater](http://www.toaks.org/groundwater).





**BE A PART OF THIS YEAR'S ARBOR/EARTH DAY!**

Environmental exhibitors are needed for the 19th Annual Arbor/Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April 16, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Thousand Oaks Community Park at 2525 Moorpark Road.

If you are a nonprofit organization or business with environmental information or products to share, be a part of this fun family event! You can find information, an application for booth space and a waiver form at [www.toaks.org/GoGreen](http://www.toaks.org/GoGreen).

Application deadline is Thursday, March 31, 2016.

19th Annual City of Thousand Oaks

FREE FAMILY EVENT!

# Arbor/Earth Day *celebration*

## Saturday, April 16, 2016



Wild Animal Shows  
Biochar & Compost Workshops  
Bike Rodeo/ Bike Valet  
Chumash Blessing Ceremony  
Environmental Exhibitors  
Entertainment: Urban Dread,  
The Coveralls, Earthcapades

**NEW TIME!  
NEW PLACE!**

**10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**  
**Thousand Oaks Community Park**  
2525 N. Moorpark Rd. (next to Thousand Oaks High School)



Connect & Share     

**GoGreen**  
Environmental Programs

**A zero-waste event**  
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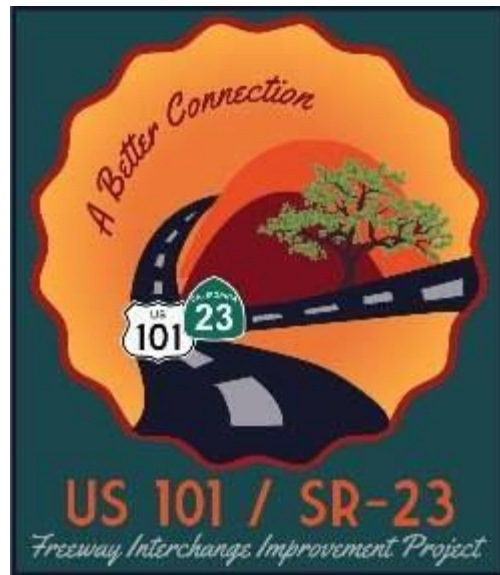
 **Conejo**  
Recreation & Park District

For more information or to volunteer:  
[www.toaks.org/GoGreen](http://www.toaks.org/GoGreen)

## 101/23 FREEWAY INTERCHANGE UPDATE

Crews will continue reducing lanes along northbound and southbound US 101 throughout the project area, nightly Sunday through Thursday between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m., for the next two to three weeks. These lane closures are needed as crews work on improvements to the center median. At least one lane along northbound and southbound US 101 will remain open at all times; more information about these closures can be found on the project [Google map](#).

As crews continue their efforts in the center median barrier of US 101, the center median divider will also be realigned to accommodate the freeway widening. Crews will be performing roadway excavation activity and grinding asphalt in the median at night.



For more information, please visit [www.toaks.org/10123](http://www.toaks.org/10123)

## **2016 AMGEN TOUR OF CALIFORNIA TEAMS ANNOUNCED!**

The 2016 Amgen Tour of California will enter its second decade as America's most prestigious annual cycling event! The eight-stage men's and four-stage women's race event will feature 18 of the world's most decorated and esteemed teams competing for one of the sport's most coveted titles.

The 18 professional men's teams confirmed this year include: ten UCI WorldTour teams, three UCI Professional Continental Teams and five UCI Continental Teams. The women's teams empowered with SRAM total 18 teams, with seven of the top ten UCI-ranked teams in contention.

This year's race will begin May 15th and end on May 22nd. The Amgen Tour of California will be coming through Thousand Oaks on May 17th during Stage 3 of the course.

For more information please visit: [www.amgentourofcalifornia.com](http://www.amgentourofcalifornia.com)

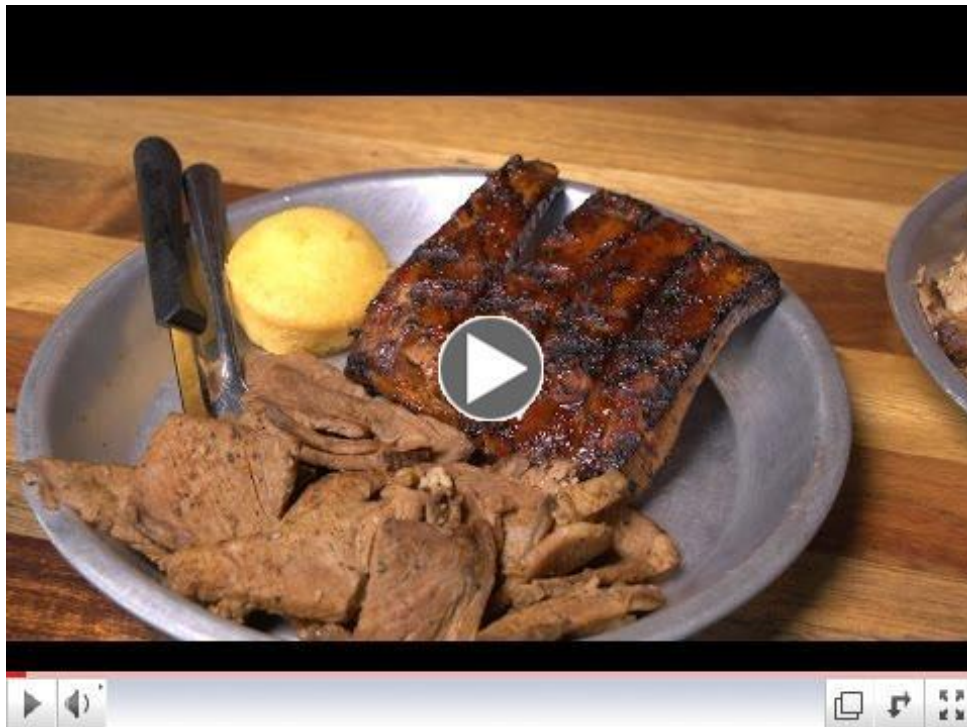




## TASTE OF T.O.

"Taste of T.O.", produced by TOTV, highlights various local businesses in Thousand Oaks. The latest episode features Billy D's Backyard BBQ, a Newbury Park family-owned-business specializing in delicious barbecue and homemade sauces.

If you would like to see a business featured on "Taste of T.O.", please contact [\(805\) 449-2112](tel:8054492112).



"Taste of T.O." - Billy D's Backyard BBQ

Make sure to subscribe to our

[YouTube Channel](#) to stay updated on TOTV programming.

## **REGISTER FOR THOUSAND OAKS CERT SPRING CLASSES**

The Thousand Oaks Community Emergency Response Team Program (CERT) is a coordinated effort between the Ventura County Fire Department and the City of Thousand Oaks. Classes are scheduled for six consecutive Wednesdays in the Oak Room at Thousand Oaks City Hall and one Saturday at the Ventura County Fire Department Headquarters in Camarillo.

The next series of classes are scheduled for April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25 and June 1 (6:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.) with the final drill on Saturday, June 4 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

2016 Spring class registration will close on April 19, 2016.

[Learn More](#)



*Thousand Oaks CERT Safety Demonstration*

**ARE YOU READY FOR EL NIÑO?**



Thousand Oaks is joining other agencies countywide in efforts to prepare for El Niño this winter. With storms estimated to be their strongest in years, we want to help you prepare and stay safe. Please visit our resource page at [www.toaks.org/elnino](http://www.toaks.org/elnino) to find tips and information on how you can be ready!

According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Weather Service, early March is looking more favorable for precipitation in Southwest California. Rain is expected to return to southwest California starting Saturday, March 5th. Active storm patterns are possible Wednesday, March 9th through Monday, March 14th. With this rain in the near future, make sure you are adequately prepared.



## COUNCIL, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS CORNER

*Stay updated on this month's meetings and current openings!*

**Meeting Schedule:**



DATE	TIME	MEETING	LOCATION
03/07	6:00 p.m.	Social Services Ad Hoc Committee Meeting	Oak Room, TO Civic Arts Plaza
03/08	8:00 a.m.	Business Roundtable Meeting	Oak Room, TO Civic Arts Plaza
03/16	10:30 a.m.	Council on Aging Meeting	Grant R. Brimhall Library
03/16	6:00 p.m.	Youth Commission Meeting	Grant R. Brimhall Library
03/16	6:30 p.m.	Traffic & Transportation Advisory Commission Meeting	Board Room, TO Civic Arts Plaza
03/21	6:30 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting	Scherr Forum Theatre, TO Civic Arts Plaza
03/22	6:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting	Scherr Forum Theatre, TO Civic Arts Plaza
03/30	3:00 p.m.	Disabled Access Appeals & Advisory Board Meeting	Board Room, TO Civic Arts Plaza

*Interested in serving on one of our Committees, Commissions or Boards and giving back to the community? Apply now!*

**Current Openings:**

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION/BOARD	APPLICATION DEADLINE
Business Roundtable	March 9, 2016*

\*Extended Deadline

The Business Roundtable is a City Council appointed committee that serves as an advisory body to the City Council on local business issues within the community.

**For more information or to apply, please visit:**  
<http://www.toaks.org/government/committees/default.asp>



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