

US StuCo Environmental Citizenship News

Week of October 19

Need some good news?

California Governor Gavin Newsom recently signed several measures into law that will help the state to further curb its greenhouse gas emissions: phasing out the sale of [fossil-fuel powered cars](#) by 2035, [conserving 30 percent of land and coastal water](#) to promote biodiversity and slow species loss, and creating a new statewide [Climate Action Corps](#) to generate new volunteer opportunities specifically for tackling climate change.

Upcoming Dates & Events ...

- 11/1: World Vegan Day
- 11/7: Rethink Waste [workshop](#)
- 11/10: World Science Day for Peace & Development
- 11/14: Rethink Waste [workshop](#)
- 11/15: U.S. Recycles Day

Good to know ...

- Do you like octopus? Check out nature filmmaker Craig Foster's [interview](#) on NPR's Fresh Air about his dives near Cape Town, South Africa where he studies the lives of these amazingly intelligent, curious and protective creatures.

Things you can do ...

- Join the new **Climate Action Initiative** [Count Us In](#), which encourages people like you and me to take a step towards protecting the climate and the things they love.
- The San Mateo County Office of Education is now accepting [applications](#) for its **Youth Climate Ambassadors 2021**. Apply by November 29, 11:59pm.
- The County of San Mateo, Youth Climate Ambassadors, and Heirs to Our Oceans want to get your feedback on the **Community Climate Action Plan**. Check for workshops [here](#).

Photo of the Week

Meet the quokka, a relative of the wallaby and known as the World's happiest animal. Indeed, they seem pretty happy ... Here's a short [video](#) on these jackrabbit-sized marsupials. Got your own amazing shot of nature, wildlife or the urban jungle? Send it to us at envirocitizenship@nuevaschool.org



Source: Adult quokka with offspring, Rottnest Island. [ExperiencePerth.com](https://www.experienceperth.com)