



## **New Volunteers on the Coast**

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While walking to a favorite ocean view spot near Roosevelt beach on Thursday, I passed three large tour buses parked at Dunes beach. I didn't think too much about it until a large number of people, mostly in their 20's and 30's, crested a nearby dune and walked toward me. They set about removing non-native vegetation with considerable energy. Many wore identical t-shirts. Later, in the parking lot I learned they were part of a group of 130 Google employees. This week there is a large Google volunteer effort facilitated by Hands on Bay Area. Beth Crites, the coordinator, said that some 1,800 employees are contributed time at 27 project sites around the Bay Area. This work was coordinated with the local state parks unit.