

Difficult-to-Source Rocks & Minerals – Carol Edson

Thanks to the wonderful members of CARE for helping Las Positas College Geology/Oceanography acquire these wonderful and useful samples. They have already been deployed in multiple lab set ups, and will continue to be used. I hope that if you have any questions about how these beautiful samples will be employed in the future, you will feel free to come by the Geology lab at LPC, room 1828, and our workspace 1824.

By adding these samples to our collections, we gained cleaner, purer samples that were not contaminated with other things, a common problem. In Mother Nature, rocks are often mixes of things. We needed these samples to show specific ID properties so our students are rewarded for using the testing protocols successfully to identify them.



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**Fossiliferous sandstone: a typical California coastal rock with embedded shells. It is fragile, as anyone who lives in Pacifica is well aware.**



**Beautiful sample of Albite plagioclase showing twinning - the fine straight lines**

