Up Your Creek! The electronic newsletter of the Alameda Creek Alliance

Coastal Cleanup Day September 21

Join the Alameda Creek Alliance and Alameda County Resource Conservation District for Coastal Cleanup Day along lower Alameda Creek on Saturday, September 21, from 9 am to noon. Come and help improve the health of your local creek and protect wildlife habitat.

Meet at the Union City Civic Center; enter from Royal Ann Drive and meet near the skatepark. We'll pick up trash along the creekside trail to Alameda Creek, and around the pond in the park. We'll tally the types of trash we find and report the information as part of California Coastal Cleanup Day. We'll learn about the impact of trash on water quality in the creek and on the wild life that lives there.

Wear work clothes and sturdy shoes that can get dirty, and bring gloves if you have them. We'll provide trash bags and litter grabbers, and a snack after the clean up. Please bring your own re-fillable water bottle.

Please notify the Alameda Creek Alliance if you plan to attend: email Ralph Boniello at <u>ralph@alamedacreek.org</u>. You can also sign up online at <u>www.handsonconservation.org</u>

Download a flyer for the event

Sunol Planning Gathering for Sinbad Creek September 29

The Alameda Creek Alliance is seeking input from Sunol residents and civic groups to help develop a community-led restoration plan for Sinbad Creek. Bring your ideas and questions about preservation and enhancement of Sinbad Creek. Learn about opportunities for restoring steelhead trout habitat in Sunol.

Come to a picnic and community forum on Sinbad Creek on Sunday, September 29 at Sunol Community Park, from 3 to 5 pm. Free refreshments and wood-fired oven pizza!

Please RSVP to Ralph Boniello of the Alameda Creek Alliance at Ralph@alamedacreek.org

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Sunol Harvest Festival October 6

Come enjoy the beautiful Sunol Valley and celebrate the harvest season at the Sunol AgPark Harvest Festival on Sunday, October 6 from 10 am to 4 pm.

This family event is an opportunity for the local community to enjoy an outing to the Sunol Water Temple AgPark, a partnership between the SFPUC and SAGE (Sustainable Agriculture Education). The Sunol AgPark fosters sustainable farming and public education programs while protecting natural resources in the Alameda Creek watershed. The AgPark is home to seven small-scale organic farming enterprises that produce delicious, fresh food for diverse Bay Area communities. The AgPark also provides hands-on environmental education for over 2,000 school children each year (almost all from under-served schools), service learning and job training for youth, and volunteer and natural resource stewardship opportunities for community members.

Learn more about SAGE

Help Protect California's Largest Salmon Runs

Please take action through the convenient alerts below to stop excessive water diversion from the Sacramento and Klamath rivers.

<u>Stop the Destructive Delta Tunnels</u> Center for Biological Diversity action alert

<u>Take Action: Klamath Salmon Need More Water</u> EPIC action alert: Severe Drought Leaves Klamath Salmon Thirsty for More Water

Regional Salmon News

<u>'Clean' Version of the Delta Plan Isn't Fooling Anybody</u> Indy Media – August 29, 2013

Judge Lifts Order Blocking Increased Trinity River Releases Fish Sniffer – August 22, 2013

<u>Marin Supervisors Mull Interim Rules Limiting Land Use Near Creeks</u> Marin Independent-Journal – August 20, 2013

<u>USBR, USFWS Gives Away 451,000+ Acre Feet of Fish Water to San Joaquin Valley</u> <u>Farmers</u> CSPA press release – August 20, 2013

<u>Humboldt County Supervisors to Fresno Judge: Release Our Water: Board Warns Of</u> <u>Repeated Fish Kill</u> Eureka Times-Standard – August 18, 2013

<u>Why Exactly Is Muir Beach Closed to Parking Until the End of the Year?</u> Bay Nature Magazine – August 15, 2013

Hundreds Of Salmon Stranded In Farm Ditches Sacramento Bee – August 11, 2013

<u>Creek Project Will Help Endangered Fish Run Free</u> Palo Alto Online – August 9, 2013

Westlands Files Lawsuit Against Trinity Water Release Daily Kos – August 8, 2013

<u>Shocking Water Mismanagement Is Wiping Out Western Chinook Salmon</u> Red Green & Blue – July 30, 2013

Salmon Apocalypse Looming in California Daily Kos – July 25, 2013

<u>Alternatives to the Tunnels for Governor Brown's Legacy?</u> Indy Media – July 24, 2013

Public Shows Overwhelming Opposition to Shasta Dam Raise Plan

FishSniffer – July 24, 2013

Federal Reports Confirm Delta Tunnel Plan Not Based On Sound Science FishSniffer – July 20, 2013

<u>Members of Congress Say Bay Delta Plan Not Based On Sound Science</u> Central Valley Business Times – July 19, 2013

Garamendi Says Tunnel Plan Is 'Destructive' Appeal-Democrat - July 19, 2013

Federal Officials Criticize Delta Tunnel Plans Sacramento Business Journal - July 19, 2013

Monitoring Steelhead: Counting the Fish After They've Hatched Bay Nature Magazine – June 30, 2013

<u>Regulators In Calif. Loosen Water Rules For Salmon</u> San Jose Mercury News – June 27, 2013

<u>Historic Dam Removal Begins Near Carmel, Opening Miles of New Habitat</u> San Francisco Chronicle – June 21, 2013

<u>Avalanche Of Lawsuits Challenges Delta Plan</u> Indy Media – June 20, 2013

Tunnel Vision Part Two: Rivers in Peril East Bay Express – June 19, 2013

Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Plan Slammed With Lawsuits Sacramento Bee – June 18, 2013

<u>Groups Bombard Calif. Agency With Lawsuits Over Tunnel Plan</u> E&E News – June 18, 2013

Does Marin's Plan To Curb Development Do Enough To Protect Salmon? Bay Nature Magazine – June 17, 2013

<u>Supervisor Kinsey: Ease Creekside Plan</u> Marin Independent Journal – June 15, 2013

<u>The Delta Tunnels: The Worst Threat To Northern California Rivers In History</u> FOR – June 14, 2013

<u>Tunnel Vision Part One: Delta in Peril</u> East Bay Express – June 12, 2013

Bay Delta Conservation Plan's Actual Cost: \$54.1 Billion Daily Kos – June 5, 2013

Could California's Salmon Make A Comeback? Salon – June 2, 2013

<u>Climate Change Study: 82 Percent Of Calif. Native Fish Species Risk Extinction</u> Sacramento Bee – May 31, 2013 Lawsuit Filed to Protect Wild Coho Salmon in the Trinity River from Harmful Fish Hatchery Operations EPIC – May 30, 2013

<u>Experts Call Marin's Creekside Development Proposal Too Weak</u> Marin Independent Journal – May 28, 2013

<u>Costa's Move to Gut the ESA Will Destroy the Delta</u> CWIN editorial in Oakland Tribune – May 25, 2013

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