Up Your Creek!

The electronic newsletter of the Alameda Creek Alliance

Alameda Creek Restoration Feb 28 in Niles

The Alameda Creek Alliance will host a creek workday on Saturday February 28, from 10 am to 1 pm, to continue our efforts removing ivy and other invasive plants along Alameda Creek in Niles. We'll continue clearing ivy from the crowns and bases of trees and we'll pick up any trash we find along the creek. We'll also take time for a short walk along the creek to observe and discuss the local ecology.

We've had great turnouts recently, including formidable efforts by Irvington and American High students who have come to learn about and help with our stewardship efforts. Thanks to all those who have helped! We've recently seen some native Marah and elderberry sprouting in the areas we've cleared of ivy.

Meet at the Niles Staging Area parking lot along Old Canyon Road at Canyon Oaks Court, in the Niles area of Fremont. Work clothes are recommended, including long pants and sturdy, closed-toe shoes that can get dirty (sneakers or boots). A long-sleeve shirt and hat are recommended. Be prepared for cool weather in the morning when we begin, with dew possible on the ground. We'll provide gloves, waste bags, litter grabbers, water, and a snack. Please bring your own re-usable water bottle to fill. Heavy rain cancels.

RSVP to Ralph Boniello, Ralph@alamedacreek.org

Environmental Review Out for Sunol Watershed Center, Corporation Yard

The San Francisco Planning Department has released the draft environmental review document for the SFPUC's Sunol Long Term Improvements Project. The project includes improvements to the existing Sunol Corporation Yard and the development of the Alameda Creek Watershed Center, a new interpretive center near the Sunol Water Temple.

The preliminary Mitigated Negative Declaration document contains information about the possible environmental effects of the proposed project. You can locate and download the document here: http://www.sf-planning.org/puccases. Comments on the project and review document are due by March 20.

Regional Salmon Restoration News

<u>Delta's Health Should Take Priority over Pumping</u> San Jose Mercury News editorial – February 24, 2015

2014 Sacramento and Klamath Salmon Return Numbers ReleasedDaily Kos – February 23, 2015

<u>Young Salmon Readied for Release into San Joaquin River</u> Fresno Bee – February 20, 2015

State Water Chief Admits Mistakes in Management

Stockton Record - February 19, 2015

American River Steelhead Run Is Worst on Record

Indy Media - February 19, 2015

Wildlife Officials Take Steps to Restore Largest Salmon Run in California

Capitol Public Radio - February 18, 2015

Fishermen, Delta Leaders Protest Move to "Destroy Salmon"

Indy Media – February 17, 2015

Meet the Biggest Threats to California's Environment: The Winners of the Annual Cold, Dead Fish Awards

East Bay Express – February 16, 2015

Will Drought Relief Money Be Used To Support Overpumping Delta Water?

Daily Kos – February 11, 2015

<u>Court Orders Stanford to Take Steps Toward Removal of Lagunita Diversion Dam</u> Stanford Daily – February 4, 2015

Stanford Takes Steps to Take Down the Controversial Lagunita Diversion Dam

San Jose Mercury News – February 3, 2015

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