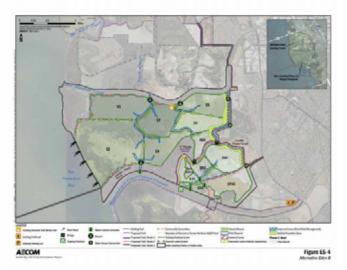
Up Your Creek!

The electronic newsletter of the Alameda Creek Alliance



Your Comments on Salt Ponds Restoration Could Help Alameda Creek Steelhead

Please take a few minutes to submit comments that could help create restored tidal marsh habitat for Alameda Creek steelhead! We've made it easy for you to submit comments.

The draft environmental review for the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project has been released. The draft Environmental Impact Statement evaluates restoration alternatives for 2,270 acres of former salt ponds at Eden Landing, adjacent to the mouth of Alameda Creek. There are many project elements beneficial to native fish that are being considered - we'd like you to help advocate for these improvements. This is the opportunity to ensure that the restoration project connects Alameda Creek to beneficial nursery habitat for young fish in the restored salt marshes, so our steelhead can grow big before leaving for the Bay and ocean.

Public comments are due by June 5.

We've provided some sample comments that address steelhead habitat here.

Submit e-mail comments to phase2comments@southbayrestoration.org or you can submit brief comments through the salt ponds restoration website:

www.southbayrestoration.org/Question Comment.html

Regular mail to: Brenda Buxton, Deputy Program Manager State Coastal Conservancy 1515 Clay Street, 10th Floor Oakland, CA 94612

The environmental review document describes and analyzes environmental impacts of alternatives for tidal marsh restoration, improvements to wildlife habitat, new public access and flood protection at Eden Landing. More information about the environmental document is on the <u>project website</u>.

There will be a public meeting to learn more and discuss the document and potential restoration plans on Tuesday, May 8, from 6-8 pm, at the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, 3rd Floor Auditorium, located at 1 Marshlands Road in Fremont.

Steelhead Are Back In Alameda Creek



After the last couple of storms brought the creek flow up, a steelhead trout was spotted jumping at the BART weir on April 1. Half a dozen steelhead were then seen at the BART weir on Saturday, April 7, including the fish photographed above by ACA member Dan Sarka.

Regional Salmon Restoration News

<u>Massive Delta Tunnels Project Took A Giant Step Forward – Here's What You Need to Know</u> Sacramento Bee - April 11, 2018

Fish Funds Could Help Revive Watershed
Half Moon Bay Review - April 4, 2018

Napa River Headed for Another Tipping Point

Napa Valley Register - April 4, 2018

What Is Killing Endangered Steelhead Trout In San Jose Creeks? Environmentalists Blame the Water District.

San Jose Mercury News - March 31, 2018

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