## **Up Your Creek!**

The electronic newsletter of the Alameda Creek Alliance

## May Habitat Stewardship in Niles: Cancelled Due to Rain

We're cancelling our final stewardship days of the season with the unusual May storms approaching. There will be no habitat restoration activities this weekend. While unfortunate, these late spring rains will hydrate many of our recent native plantings.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who came out this season to pick up trash, remove invasive plants, and re-plant native plants in their place. Your efforts are continuing to transform our adopted area along Alameda Creek back into a vibrant, native riparian ecosystem. The areas we've cleared of cape ivy and poison hemlock are being re-colonized by blue elderberry (<u>Sambucus nigra ssp. caerulea</u>) and manroot/wild cucumber (<u>Marah fabacea</u>)- two natives with high habitat value for insects and wildlife.

Check out these recent photos of our restoration site.

Join us again in the fall when we'll continue our stewardship activities.

## **Ecologist Corner: Riparian Forests and the Food Web in Alameda Creek**

Riparian forests occur along rivers and creeks where there is fertile soil and an ample water supply. These forests appear as a green belt along water courses, and are one of the most striking features of California's landscape. Read more here.

## **Regional Salmon Restoration News**

<u>Attorney General Becerra Sues Westlands Water District to Block Unlawful Shasta Dam Project</u>
Maven's Notebook - May 14, 2019

<u>CA Rescinds Delta Tunnels Bond Resolutions, Feds Withdraw Permit</u> IndyMedia – May 12, 2019

<u>Restoration Activates Channels and Floodplains in Lagunitas Creek this Winter</u> TIRN press release - May 9, 2019

<u>Four Years after California's Largest Dam Removal Project, How Are the Fish Doing?</u>
San Jose Mercury News - May 8, 2019

The Delta Tunnels are Dead. Now What?

Bay Nature Magazine - Spring 2019

<u>Gavin Newsom Officially Kills Twin Delta Tunnels, Eyes Downsized CA Water Project</u> Sacramento Bee - May 2, 2019

Feds Eye Protection for Northern California Trout

Courthouse News Service - April 19, 2019

<u>Hoopa Tribe Wins Federal Lawsuit Paving Way for Klamath Dam Removal</u> Active NorCal - April 11, 2019

<u>Chemical Spillage in Codornices Creek Leaves Dozens of Trout Dead</u>
Daily Californian - April 10, 2019

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