

October 12, 2005 update

1) Thank you to those of you who attended last night's meeting for the San Francisco water supply projects in Fremont.

The S.F. Planning Department and the SFPUC got the message loud and clear that Bay Area residents want adequate flows in rivers and creeks affected by SF's water system and that the SFPUC should focus on water conservation and recycling to meet future water demand rather than withdrawing more water from the Tuolumne River, Alameda Creek, or the Delta.

Check out the article on the hearing in today's Oakland Tribune:

http://www.insidebayarea.com/oaklandtribune/localnews/ci_3108559

Residents: Keep water in river

Plan to retrofit Hetch Hetchy system draws fire for including upgrades to meet demands

You can also read this article and other articles about Alameda Creek in the ACA on-line media archive: http://www.alamedacreek.org/Media_Articles/Media%20articles.htm

The ACA's scoping comments on the SFPUC water supply plan are posted on the web site at:

<http://www.alamedacreek.org/Alerts/ACA%20scoping%20comments%2010-05.pdf>

The SFPUC will hold scoping hearings and take public comments on the Calaveras Dam Replacement Project and the Niles/Sunol Dam Removal Project in November.

2) Thank you new and renewing members!

Many thanks to our new and renewing members for your donations supporting the work of the Alameda Creek Alliance. The ACA now has over 700 members! We are a growing voice for protection and restoration of wildlife habitat in the watershed. I apologize to those of you who may have been solicited twice this year – from now on we will send one annual membership appeal each fall.

If you did not receive a membership request in the mail and would like to join the ACA, go to:

<http://www.alamedacreek.org/Join%20-%20Volunteer/Join%20-%20Volunteer.htm>.

3) Fundraising volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to help organize two fundraising events for the Alameda Creek Alliance next year:

We are going to revive the *Alameda Creek Spawning Run*, a 10K race and 5K fun run/walk along lower Alameda Creek next May. Please contact me if you can help organize or publicize this benefit run.

We are looking for a fundraiser event (such as an auction, wine tasting, or concert) and venue for spring or summer of 2006. Please contact me if you have ideas or can help organize a fundraiser event for the ACA.