

December 1, 2006

Alameda Watershed Habitat Conservation Plan Meeting Monday, December 4

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) will hold a public informational meeting about the proposed Alameda Watershed Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) next **Monday, December 4** at the Dublin Public Library, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The library is at 200 Civic Plaza (off Dublin Boulevard).

The HCP will be a 30 year conservation plan for land use and biological planning on SFPUC lands in the Alameda Creek watershed. The HCP will result in federal and state permits allowing the SFPUC to legally "take" or harm endangered species, in exchange for conservation measures intended to protect the species and their habitats.

This meeting will review the HCP development process, update the proposed lists of covered activities and covered species discussed at previous public meetings, and focus on the estimated likely impacts activities covered in the HCP may have on species and habitat.

For more information visit the ACA web page on the HCP at <http://www.alamedacreek.org/Alerts/SFPUC%20HCP/SFPUC%20HCP.htm> or the SFPUC's web page about the HCP at <http://alamedahcp.sfwater.org>. If you have any questions, contact info@alamedahcp.sfwater.org

Alameda County Watershed Forum Meeting Moved to February 6

The Alameda County Watershed Forum meeting planned for December 5 has been rescheduled for **Tuesday, February 6**, from 7 to 9 pm at Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley's office, 20993 Redwood Court in Castro Valley. The Watershed Forum is an informal gathering of Alameda County creek activists. The February 6th meeting will feature a presentation about the Contra Costa County Watershed Forum citizen monitoring program and overview of the CC Forum's history, activities, and lessons learned in their 6 years of successful community outreach; updates on the Berkeley Creek Ordinance and Alameda Creeks Task Force; and planning for an Alameda County creeks conference.

Salmon Spawning Tours in Marin

Join the Salmon Protection And Watershed Network (SPAWN) for naturalist-led creek walk tours of the Lagunitas Creek Watershed in west Marin to see and learn about spawning coho salmon. Learn about salmon ecology, local stream ecosystems and what you can do to help protect endangered salmon. There are two tours daily on Saturdays and Sundays at 10 am and 1 pm, through January 14th (and special trips Mon-Fri Dec. 25th-29th and New Year's Day). Reservations are required! Go to <http://www.spawnusa.org/> for more information. To reserve your space, call (415) 488-0370 x107, or e-mail Creekwalk@SpawnUSA.org.