

To the Alameda Creek Alliance e-mail list:

Storm Brings Flows Suitable for Steelhead Migration

Last night's storm raised flows in Alameda Creek in the flood control channel today to 650 cubic feet per second (cfs), enough to bring adult steelhead upstream from the Bay. More rain is predicted through this weekend. If you live near the creek watch for steelhead trout in the flood control channel or at the BART weir today, tomorrow and through the weekend and next week as flows peak and taper off.

Please see our web page on [what to do if you see salmon or steelhead in Alameda Creek](#).

Welcome New Members

For those of you new to this e-mail list, I send out e-mail updates about Alameda Creek restoration news and alerts about conservation issues, generally about 2-3 times each month. There are 1,030 of you on this list. If you know of any friends, family or co-workers who would like to receive these updates, please let me know. You can unsubscribe at any time.

You can find all past updates back to 2003 on the Alameda Creek Alliance web page under [ACA updates](#).

If you have not yet joined the Alameda Creek Alliance, please download a [membership form](#) and become a member. Your support allows us to remain an effective voice for creek restoration and protection of native species and their habitats in the Alameda Creek watershed. It also helps us to have more members when we meet with agencies or comment on projects. The Alameda Creek Alliance currently has 1,330 members.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, February 27: ACWD Fish Screen Meeting – Fremont

On February 27 the Alameda County Water District (ACWD) will hold a public information meeting on the installation of fish screens in the Alameda Creek Flood Control Channel. The meeting will be held at Niles Elementary School, 37141 Second Street in Fremont.

The fish screens will be installed this summer just downstream of the Mission Blvd. overpass, to eliminate the potential for out-migrating steelhead trout from being trapped or entrained in the ACWD diversion pipelines or groundwater recharge ponds.

[Click here](#) for more information.

Monday, March 5: Tule Elk Talk – Oakland

[Close to Home](#) presents a talk and slide presentation on Tule elk in the East Bay: *Biggest Wild Animals in the East Bay?* Learn about the small hidden herds of Tule elk with Mike Moran, East

Bay Regional Park District Naturalist at Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve. **Monday, March 5 at 7:30pm** at Montclair Presbyterian Church in Oakland. Donation: \$5 (K-12 Free)

Montclair Presbyterian Church is located at 5701 Thornhill Rd. in the Montclair area of Oakland. Take the Thornhill exit on Highway 13 and go east 1/4 mile. Parking available in lot ½ block west and on street.

The last Close to Home presentation of the season will be a talk on May 7 by Steve Edwards (EBRPD) on paleofauna – the animals that lived in the East Bay before humans. For more information: Cindy Spring (510) 655-6658, spring5@mindspring.com

Saturday, March 24: FOSC 10th Anniversary Celebration - Oakland

Everyone is invited to the [Friends of Sausal Creek](#) 10th Anniversary Celebration on March 24, from 4-7pm, at the Joaquin Miller Community Center in Oakland. Highlights of the event will include emcee Wendy Tokuda (KRON), speaker Malcolm Margolin, wine, beer, and hors d'oeuvres, music, an auction, and an awards ceremony.

[Click here](#) for more information. For tickets contact FOSC Executive Director Sara Marcellino at (510) 501-3672 or coordinator@sausalcreek.org.

June 2-10: National River Cleanup Week

[National River Cleanup Week](#) is June 2-10. The Alameda Creek Alliance will organize a cleanup of Alameda Creek in Niles Canyon. Stay tuned for more details

Water for Fish Campaign to Restore San Francisco Bay Delta and Klamath River

A coalition of California sport, commercial and tribal fishing organizations fighting government efforts to destroy our fish populations has launched a Water for Fish petition campaign to restore the San Francisco Bay Delta and the Klamath River.

Participants include The American Sportfishing Association, Coastside Fishing Club, The Allied Fishing Group, The California Striped Bass Association, The Fish Sniffer, The California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, The Karuk Tribe, Boat and Fishing Tackle Retailers and many others. The Alameda Creek Alliance has signed on to the petition.

Check out the [Water for Fish](#) web site.

Livermore Airport Expansion Alert

The FAA recently approved a "Minimum Standards" plan for creating a Jetport at the Livermore Airport. The Livermore Airport is currently zoned "Educational and Recreational", but this will change if the plan is adopted by the Livermore City Council. Other airports in the area with zoning similar to what is being requested host 200-500 jets. The Alameda Creek Alliance is concerned

what impact airport expansion will have on the small population of [western burrowing owls](#) at the airport, a rare species that is rapidly vanishing from the Easy Bay.

The [Livermore Airport Citizen's Group](#) is against this expansion and has information about how to get involved.

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Fremont, Newark & Union City Residents - Endorse the Citizens' Climate Policy

If you are a resident of Fremont, Newark or Union City or represent an organization in the Tri-City area, please sign the petition to endorse the Citizens' Climate Policy. This endorsement list will be used to get the Cities of Fremont, Newark and Union City to adopt the global warming statement of principles. Endorsing organizations so far include the Tri-City Ecology Center, Fremont-Newark-Union City League of Women Voters, and the Alameda Creek Alliance.

For the petition and more information contact Susan Gearhart at Grasslandladyvrn@aol.com