

Alameda Creek in the News

East Bay Express - March 8
[Bonnie & Clyde Spawning?](#)

Contra Costa Times - March 14
[Steelhead Trout Seen Flirting in Alameda Creek](#)

KTVU Channel 2 news ran a story on the spawning steelhead story on the 10 o'clock news on March 13 - we are working on getting copy of this broadcast and will post it to the ACA web site.



Friends of Springtown Preserve in Livermore

The new web site of the Friends of Spring Town Preserve has launched:
<http://www.springtownpreserve.org/>

The mission of the of the Friends of Spring Town Preserve is to educate and engage the community in the preservation and sound management of the unique Springtown Alkali Sink Ecosystem in Livermore. Please check the site periodically for updates and opportunities to learn more about the preserve and its watershed through field trips, guest speakers, etc. There will also be alerts for action posted.



Bonnie and Clyde

As of March 31, our radio tagged steelhead trout pair, Bonnie and Clyde, are sitting in the same hole in Stonybrook Creek in Niles Canyon. They have been there for over a month. The water flow is good and temperatures are low, so they should be okay for now. These steelhead could stay in this pool all summer long until the fall/winter runoff period. If they do stay, they will likely be very emaciated by the time they migrate back out in the fall/winter.



Carpe Diem

We have gotten quite a few reports of schools of large fish spawning in the flood control channel in lower Alameda Creek the past few weeks. Since steelhead spawning season generally ends by mid-March, we haven't had much rain in the last month, and water temperatures in the lower creek are fairly high, we suspected these fish were either native or introduced warm water fish. It is carp spawning season and these schools of fish all turned out to be non-native carp.



Statewide Salmon News:

[State and Feds Impose Emergency Salmon Fishing Closure on California and Oregon Coast](#)

[Unprecedented Collapse of Central Valley Salmon Is No Surprise](#)

Fishermen and concerned citizens fight back to save California's fish
<http://www.water4fish.org/>



Alameda Creek Watershed Sediment Forum April 23

San Francisco Estuary Institute and the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District will be hosting the first Alameda Creek Watershed Sediment Forum, on Wednesday, April 23 from 10 am to 4 pm in Hayward.

Please join us for presentations and discussion regarding current sediment and water issues affecting the Alameda Creek Watershed. Lunch will be provided. The agenda is still being finalized and will be distributed in the next 2 weeks. To register for the forum, please send an email to Linda Russio at Linda@sfei.org and please indicate your name, affiliation, and lunch preference (meat or vegetarian). For other questions, please contact Kat Ridolfi at (510) 746-7392.

Earth Day Events

ACA members - we need volunteers to help staff our table at these upcoming events:

Livermore Earth Day, Saturday, April 19, 11 am (set up starting 9 am)
Robert Livermore Community Center

Fremont Earth Day, Saturday, April 19, 10 am to 4 pm
Teen Center at Lake Elizabeth

Salmon Aid Festival

Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1 - all day
Jack London Square in Oakland

Contact Diana Brumbaugh of the ACA if you can volunteer: (510) 209-6114, e-mail alamedavolunteer@yahoo.com