

## **Channel 5 News Story on Alameda Creek Steelhead**

CBS Channel 5 TV ran a story last night about the historic spawning and hatching of steelhead trout in Stonybrook Creek. You can view the video here: [Steelhead Trout Makes Comeback In East Bay Creek](#) or it is posted at the top of the Alameda Creek Alliance [media page](#).

For the first time in almost half a century, steelhead trout have successfully spawned and steelhead fry have successfully hatched in the Alameda Creek watershed. We are almost certain now that these fry are offspring of Bonnie and Clyde, the steelhead trout pair that was moved upstream in late February and that was observed exhibiting spawning behavior in early March. Based on the location, numbers, and timing of emergence, we think these fry are steelhead. Bonnie and Clyde are doing fine and we will continue to monitor them and the fry throughout the year.

One of the errors in the story is the labeling of Alameda Creek as "Stonybrook Creek" in the map displayed. An important element of the story not mentioned is that these trout fry may be the first generation to return to the creek (in 2-4 years) and be able to swim upstream unimpeded to spawn.

We are still working to get adequate stream flows released from dams in the watershed to support a restored steelhead population. Please visit our [web page on the Calaveras Dam project](#) and write an e-mail to the SFPUC Commissioners and SF Board of Supervisors (scroll down to the bottom of the page).

Congratulations to all of us on a historic milestone in the restoration of Alameda Creek.