

THANK YOU!!!!!!

A huge thank you to all the members and supporters who attended our 10th anniversary dinner last Friday. The fundraiser event was a huge success and a great time was had by all (about 90 of us!). Some photos from the event are posted at http://www.alamedacreek.org/Upcoming_Events/ACA%20anniversary.htm.

A special thank you to everyone who donated auction items for our silent auction or volunteered at the event.

Draft Environmental Review Documents Released for San Francisco Water Supply Projects

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's (SFPUC) has released a draft Environmental Impact Report on the \$4.3 billion Water System Improvement Program (WSIP). The 3,000+ page draft report analyzes the potential environmental impacts, potential mitigations and potential alternatives to the cumulative effects on water supplies, water quality, noise, land use and natural, visual, cultural and other resources from the WSIP's twenty-two regional projects in the San Francisco Bay Area and Central Valley. Many of the projects are within the Alameda Creek watershed and some will have a direct impact on fisheries and wildlife habitat.

You can view the EIR on line at www.sfgov.org/site/planning/mea (or by linking to this site from <http://PEIR.sfwater.org>), or at the Alameda County/City of Fremont Library: 2400 Stevenson Boulevard, Fremont. The ACA will prepare comments on the EIR and have them posted on our web site.

There is a 90-day public comment period which ends October 1st. Public hearings will be held in September in each of the counties impacted by the WSIP. One of the meetings will be held in **Fremont on Tuesday, September 18, at 6:30 pm at the Main Library, Fukaya Room, 2400 Stevenson Blvd.**

Public comments on the Draft PEIR will be accepted by the San Francisco Planning Department from through 5:00 pm on Monday, October 1, 2007. You may submit comments to the Planning Department using any of the following means:

- Provide oral or written comments at any of the five public hearings
- Mail written comments to the San Francisco Planning Department, Attention: Paul Maltzer, Environmental Review Officer, WSIP PEIR, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94103
- E-mail written comments to wsip.peir.comments@gmail.com.

The San Francisco Planning Department will prepare written responses to comments received during the public review period in a Comments and Responses document. If you have any questions about the environmental review of the WSIP, please leave a message for the Planning Department at **1-866-231-1337**.

Help the Sierra Club turn people out for the public meetings on the San Francisco Water Supply Projects

The Bay Chapter of the Sierra Club will do phone banking to get people to the S.F. and Fremont hearings. **Phone bank dates: Wednesday, August 29; Monday, September 10; and Thursday, September 13.** All phone banks are at National Sierra Club, 85 2nd Street in San

Francisco, from 6-9pm. If you are interested contact Brad Johnson, Conservation Organizer for the San Francisco Bay Chapter Sierra Club at (510) 848-0800 x316 or brad@sfbaysc.org. Information about the draft program EIR can be viewed on line at <http://PEIR.sfwater.org>.

State of the Estuary Conference October 16-18

The 8th Biennial State of the San Francisco Estuary Conference October will be held from October 16-18, 2007, at the Scottish Rite Center, 1547 Lakeside Drive, in Oakland. The State of the Estuary Conference provides a biennial assessment of the ecological health of the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary. This year's theme is: A Greener Shade of Blue.

The conference will feature a session on **October 17** on **Steelhead Restoration in the San Francisco Estuary**, including a discussion of the Alameda Creek restoration efforts. See <http://sfep.abag.ca.gov/soe/SOE2007Program.pdf> for the program and registration.

Fly Fishers Anniversary Party November 10

The Golden West Women Fly Fishers invite you to attend their 25th Anniversary Party and Fundraiser on **Saturday, November 10th 2007**, from 6pm-10pm at the Marin Rod and Gun Club, 2675 E. Francisco Blvd., in San Rafael. *Tickets: \$40 each, or \$75 for two. \$45 at the door.* Visit www.gwwf.org for more information or call: (925) 934-2461.