## ALAMEDA CREEK ALLIANCE

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Alameda Creek Alliance is a community watershed group dedicated to protecting and restoring the natural ecosystems of the Alameda Creek watershed. Our primary mission is protecting and improving habitat for endangered, threatened, and sensitive native species.

Our initial efforts focus on restoring runs of steelhead trout and salmon attempting to ascend Alameda Creek to spawn. Our goal is to ensure self-sustaining populations of these fish. We will work to remove or modify barriers to fish migration and to supply adequate water flows for spawning, rearing and out-migration of juvenile smolts to the Bay.

We will also work to restore and enhance fish habitat, improve water quality, and prevent habitat loss and degradation caused by development, livestock grazing, or channelization of streams. We will monitor the public agencies involved in management of the creek to ensure that they comply with existing environmental laws and protect the public trust by providing for protection of fish and wildlife.

Participation or membership in the Alameda Creek Alliance is open to anyone committed to the above goals. Participation in the organization is on an individual basis, not as a representative of any agency, business, or political group. We will work with government agencies and private entities interested in supporting our goals.

We are an independent non-profit community group. Our membership meetings are publicly announced, accessible, and democratically run. We respect diversity of opinion and approaches, and will work though education, publicity, advocacy, public pressure, legal action, and volunteer work.