

ALAMEDA CREEK STEELHEAD DOCUMENTATION (updated 12-10-12)

Date	Location	# of fish	Sources
1800s	Alameda Creek	“Ran year round with steelhead trout, salmon”	Amador-Livermore Valley Hist. Society Newsletter, October 1989
1869-1877	Arroyo Hondo/Isabel Creek	“Stringer of steelhead”	Lick observatory reportedly has pictures of President Grant holding a stringer of steelhead from the Arroyo/Isabel creeks
4.9.1910	Arroyo Valle headwaters/Valpe Cr.	“Full of fish”, 30", 7 ½ lb. “trout” caught	Livermore Herald article 4/9/10
1930	Alameda Creek	“Accommodated a steelhead run of fair quality”	Skinner 1962
circa 1935	Calaveras Creek	steelhead harvested by workmen on spawning grounds during dam construction	Historical photo
1938	Sunol Dam, Niles Canyon	steelhead seen jumping at dam	5.19.38 DFG Supplement Sheet
5.18.38	Roney Ranch below “Green Bridge” (Alameda Creek at Pirate Cr.)	20 steelhead caught, all ~12" long	5.19.38 DFG Supplement Sheet
1940s	Sinbad Creek, Kilkare	5 steelhead caught by “Thurm”	Historical photo
1942	Alameda Cr. at “Green Bridge”	“plentiful steelhead run”	7.8.42 DFG File Letter
winter 1952-53	Dresser Bridge, confluence w/Stonybrook, Farwell Bridge	3 steelhead ~24", 5 lb.	Ken Brunskill

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spring 1953	Sinbad Creek	2 steelhead caught	Historical photo
7.3.53	Arroyo del Valle	22" steelhead	7/3/53 photo, article Liv. Herald
7.28.53	Indian Creek, tributary to San Antonio Creek	“Large numbers of stranded steelhead”, “3,000 4-5 inch fish”	8.5.53 DFG memo
1954	San Antonio Creek	“light steelhead run” reported to occur each year	Sept. 30, 1954 DFG Field Note
12.10.54	Niles Canyon	small steelhead caught	photo from Hal Janssen in possession of ACA
1956	Alameda Creek at 1 st Street in Niles	adult steelhead caught	photo from Hal Janssen
Jan. 1959	Alameda Creek at 2 nd Street in Niles	10 lb. steelhead caught	photo from Hal Janssen
1959	Stonybrook Creek	dam which blocks steelhead migrants	July 15, 1959 DFG Memorandum
Late 1950s	Alameda Creek at Mission Blvd.	hundreds of steelhead at “The Spot”	Hal Janssen, (707) 523-4083
1960s	Alameda Creek	(reported as steelhead “runs”)	ACWD EIR for Fabridam #2 March 1974, p. 31
1960s	Arroyo Mocho	fished steelhead in Mocho	Bill Snider, former CDFG employee
1961	Alameda Creek	“steelhead trout ascend Alameda Creek normally each year”	4.26.61 DFG letter to Pat Marshall

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1961	Alameda Creek at Mission Bridge	12 lb. steelhead caught	photo from Hal Janssen
1962	Arroyo Mocho	“Has a small annual run of steelhead”	Skinner 1962
1963	Alameda Creek at 880 freeway	steelhead caught	Photos from Stuart Maestas, ACA
late 1960's	Arroyo del Valle	“great fishing,” caught 4-5 lb. steelhead	Steve Hagan, ACA member
1973	lower creek channel	(reported as steelhead “runs”)	ACWD 1974 EIR for Fabridam, p. 31
Feb. 1974	lower creek channel by WPRR	“several” steelhead caught	ACWD 1974 EIR for Fabridam #2, p. 30
3.1.74	ACFCD drop structure	~11 steelhead seen	ACWD 1974 EIR for Fabridam #2, p. 30
7.8.74	below ACWD fabridam #1	2 (identified as RT/SH)	July 20, 1974 DFG Memorandum
1974	lower creek channel	60-180 (reported as 3 runs of 20-60 steelhead)	ACWD 1974 EIR for Fabridam #2, p. 31
1981	lower creek channel	SH moved over inflatable dam	Jon Walton, pers. comm; 3.27.89 Fremont Argus article, 9.13.89 Oakland Tribune article
1.3.84	lower creek channel	steelhead rescued	Photos from ACWD files

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Feb. 1986	BART weir and ACWD Dam #1	several reports of adult steelhead caught by anglers	7.11.86 EBRPD memo from Ken Burger
pre-1989	below ACFCO drop structure	“a few” steelhead observed annually by EBRPD & DFG personnel	1989 Technical Report, p. 3
pre-1989	ACFCO drop structure ?	#s of steelhead - “recent photos in possession of DFG”	1989 Technical Report, p. 28
1995 or 1996	lower creek channel	1 dead steelhead seen	Sheree Foster, DFG Warden, pers. comm.; 3.11.98 written statement of Jeff Miller
12.11.97	DeCoto Road	1 adult recovered (fin clip taken)	Written statements of Mike Forney & Robin Benavidez (12.12.97); observed by Pete Alexander (EBRPD) & Jeff Miller; photos & video in possession of ACA
3.2.98 & 3.3.98	Ward Creek (tributary of Old Alameda Creek)	2 adults (fin clips taken)	Written statements of Richard Wetzig (ACFCO) (3.2.98) and Jeff Miller (3.4.98); observed by Pete Alexander & numerous ACFCO employees; ACA has photos, video
3.4.98	ACFCO drop structure	1 adult seen	Dave Martinez (EBRPD), pers. comm.; written statement of Jeff Miller

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3.11.98	ACFCD drop structure	6-12 adults seen	Written statement of Jeff Miller; observed by Pete Alexander, George Heise (DFG), Jon Mann & Ian Gilroy (NMFS), Bob Lepsic (ACFCD), numerous ACA members; ACA has photo & video
3.14.98	ACFCD drop structure	4 adults (2 dead, 2 moved)	Written statements of Ron Engle & Jeff Miller
3.15.98	ACFCD drop structure	4 adults captured, fin clips taken	Written statement of Jeff Miller; observed by Pete Alexander, ACFCD employees, ACA members & fisheries biologists; photos & video in possession of ACA
3.17.98	ACFCD drop structure	9 adults (4 captured, 2 dead, 3 others seen; 6 fin clips taken)	Written statement of Jeff Miller; observed by Pete Alexander, numerous ACFCD employees, ACA members, & fisheries biologists; ACA has photos & video
3.19.98	ACFCD drop structure	1 adult seen	Written statement of Jeff Miller; observed by Pete Alexander, numerous ACFCD employees, ACA members; ACA has photos & video
3.19.98	below ACWD fabridam #2	1 adult seen	Written statement of Jeff Miller; observed by Pete Alexander, numerous ACFCD employees, ACA members; photos & video in possession of ACA.

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3.22.98	ACFCD drop structure	at least 4 adults seen	Mike Forney, pers. comm.; written statement of Jeff Miller
April 98	Old Alameda Creek tide gates	adult carcass	Ron & Viola Barklow, ACA
5.7.98	Alameda Creek in Sunol	~270 fry (from eggs rescued 3.98)	
1.24.99	ACFCD drop structure	1 adult seen	Written statement of Richard Wetzig
2.5.99 or 2.6.99	ACFCD drop structure	1 adult found dead	ACFCD & EBRPD employees, pers. comm.; written statement of Jeff Miller
2.18.99	ACFCD drop structure	3 adults seen	3.8.99 written statement of Jeff Miller; written statement of Richard Wetzig
2.21.99	below ACWD fabridam #2	1 adult seen	Written statement of Ron Engle
2.22.99	ACFCD drop structure	1 adult likely seen	Written statement of Richard Wetzig
2.23.99	ACFCD drop structure	3 adults captured (fin clips taken), dozens more observed	3.8.99 written statement of Jeff Miller; 6 fish observed by Pete Alexander & ACFCD employees; dozens more seen by ACFCD employees, ACA members & fisheries biologists; ACA has photos & video
3.20.99	below ACWD fabridam #2	2-3 adults seen	Jim Reynolds (ACWD) pers. comm.; 3.26.99 written statement of Jeff Miller, photos in possession of ACA

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1.20.00	ACFCD drop structure	1 hatchery fish captured (34", 17 3/4 lbs.) 2-3 other steelhead (one 20") 2 lamprey also moved	Pete Alexander, Jeff Miller, Manny daCosta ACFCD
1.24.00	ACFCD drop structure	1 adult steelhead seen	Stacey Sutton, EBRPD
2.17.00	ACFCD drop structure	1 adult seen	Wayne Flora, ACA
2.23.01	ACFCD drop structure	2 adult steelhead, 1 lamprey seen	Jeff Miller, Annie Campagna, EBRPD
3.6.01	ACFCD drop structure	4 adults, 1 caught	Pete Alexander, ACWD employee
3.10.01	ACFCD drop structure	"lots" of steelhead seen	Mike Williams, ACA
1.5.02	ACFCD drop structure	2 adults seen	Jeff Miller
1.5.02	ACFCD drop structure	1 dead adult seen	Gerry Mooney, ACA
1.6.02	ACFCD drop structure	12-15 adults jumping	Jeff Miller, multiple ACA members, video in possession of ACA
1.19.02	ACFCD drop structure	3 adults seen	J. Miller, ACWD employee
1.20.02	ACFCD drop structure	1 SH captured, 25", 6 lbs. at least 2 more adults seen	P. Alexander has data multiple ACA members
3.24.02	FCC at DeCoto Bridge	3 fish thought to be steelhead	Mike Forney, ACA
1.1.03	BART weir	1 steelhead seen jumping	Dave Garges, ACA

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3.13.03	below BART weir	male & female steelhead spawning behavior	Pete Alexander, EBRPD (has photos)
3.14.03	below BART weir	3 males ~28" caught, fin clips (2 hatchery, 1 wild) 4 th fish (female) not caught	Pete Alexander, EBRPD, Jeff Miller ACA photos in possession of ACA
1.10.04	at BART weir	1 steelhead seen jumping on weir	video in possession of Mike Ferry
2.2.04	below BART weir	single steelhead - unconfirmed	Karl Pederson, ACA
2.27.04	below BART weir	1 steelhead 14" stranded on apron	Jeff Miller, ACFCD employees
1.10.05	at Bart weir	Steelhead, unknown number	Mike Ferry, ACA, videotape, photos
2.13.05	above lower dam	6 salmonids	Dave Garges, ACA
2.19.05	at Bart weir	Up to 5 steelhead jumping, one 30", others under 24"	Rick Hatcher
3.25.05	at BART weir	One 12" fish - not confirmed as a steelhead	Steve Powers, CEMAR, Manny DaCosta
4.1.05	at BART weir	One 27", 9 pound wild steelhead captured, no fin clip taken	ACA, Manny DaCosta, EBRPD photos and video in possession of ACA
12.29.05 and 12.30.05	at BART weir	One adult steelhead seen	Manny DaCosta and Dave Garges, photos in possession of ACA

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3.3.06	at BART weir	Multiple sightings of at least 2 fish seen via web cam, one 14", one smaller 1 fish seen by ACWD in AM	Steve Powers and Gordon Becker of CEMAR, Dave Garges of ACA
3.4.06	BART weir	Two male adult steelhead captured One 11 lbs., 31", one 6½ lbs., 23" Moved to Niles Canyon	Photos in possession of ACA, EBRPD has fin clips
3.8.06	BART weir	Two or more adult steelhead at weir	Observation of Pete Alexander, EBRPD
3.10.06	BART weir	2 steelhead seen at weir	Observation of Bill LaCommere, ACA David Asbury of CEMAR saw one fish on web cam
3.11.06	BART weir	4 steelhead, 1 trout captured M-26½", M-25", M-22", F-27½" Trout 7". Fin clips taken	ACA has photos and video
3.29.06	BART weir	7 sightings of steelhead jumping 5-7 pounds, at least 2 different fish	Observation of Dennis Stefani of ACA
3.30.06	BART weir	12 sightings of steelhead jumping 5-7 pounds, at least 3 different fish	Observation of Dennis Stefani of ACA
4.29.06	BART weir	1 or 2 steelhead observed jumping	Karl Pederson and Dave Garges, ACA
5.1.06	BART weir	At least 1 steelhead, maybe more	Pete Alexander, EBRPD

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12.21.06	below BART weir	salmonid excavating redd below apron	Dennis Stefani, ACA
2.28.07	BART weir	Male 6.25#, fin clip, radio tagged	Pete Alexander, EBRPD
1.25.08	at BART weir	Steelhead seen via web cam	Dave Garges, ACA
2.25.08	at BART weir	Fish in 5-8 lb range	Dave Gubera, ACA
2.26.08	BART weir	Clyde, M 28", 8# tagged, fin clip Bonnie, F 27", 8.5# tagged, fin clip	Pete Alexander, EBRPD
3-17-12	BART weir	2 in 20" range seen via web cam	Jeff Miller, Dave Garges

ALAMEDA CREEK RAINBOW/STEELHEAD TROUT DOCUMENTATION

Date	Location	# of fish	Sources
1942	Bear Creek, tributary to Alameda Creek	“Has trout in it” - prior to 7.8.42 stocking by DFG	DFG Stream Survey
8.19.53	Indian Creek, tributary to San Antonio Creek	rescued “trout” from 4-12"	8.19.53 DFG Field Notes
10.14.55	Stonybrook Creek, 1.5 mi. up	seined ~20 trout 3-7"	7.11.74 letter of W.I. Follett
10.31.55	Stonybrook Creek, 1.2 mi. up	dip-netted 5 trout ~2"	7.11.74 letter of W.I. Follett
1962	Arroyo Mocho, Arroyo Valle, Arroyo de la Laguna	rainbow/steelhead trout	Skinner 1962
2.3.76	Arroyo Mocho (LLNL pumping Station, Cedar Brook Ranch, Mines Rd., Del Valle Road	44 rainbow trout electroshocked above 6.7 to 31.8 cm FL	2.19.76 DFG Memorandum
4.8.76	Stonybrook Creek (150 yards upstream of confluence)	one 10" “rainbow trout”	5.13.76 DFG Memorandum
1978	Arroyo Mocho	“rainbow” trout present	Scoppettone and Smith 1978
9.16.87	Stonybrook Creek (reported as “Palomares Creek”)	4 trout 6-8" caught	10.30.87 DFG File Letter
9.22.87	Alameda Creek just upstream of Calaveras Creek	unknown # of trout 162-219 mm FL	7.13.88 DFG File letter

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Sept. 1987	Alameda Cr. below Little Yosemite	15 RT 50-81 mm FL	3.29.88 DFG File letter
4.23.96	Calaveras Cr. below Calaveras Dam	2 fish (1 skeleton and 1 live) described as 18-20" "rainbow trout"	5.3.96 Trihey & Associates Memorandum to SFPUC
1.12.01	ACFCD drop structure	12" trout seen dead	Mike Ferry, ACA
8.8.04	Niles Canyon @ The Wall	6 or more large trout - 18"	Roy Heavilin, ACA

ALAMEDA CREEK SALMON DOCUMENTATION

Date	Location	# of fish	Sources
before A. D. 600	North of Alameda Creek at Dry Creek confluence	king salmon remains at shell mound excavations	Schulz 1986
1800s	Alameda Creek	“Ran year round with steelhead trout, salmon”	Amador-Livermore Valley Historical Society Newsletter, October 1989
early 1900s?	Indian Joe Creek	photos exist of Indian Joe salmon fishing in Ala. Cr.	Joanne Freemire (EBRPD) says Andrew Galvan, Ohlone tribe, has pictures
historical	lower Alameda Creek	historical chinook and coho runs	Info. provided by Leidy in State of the Estuary 1992-1997
1920s	Indian Joe Creek	salmon ran up and spawned Geary Family caught them in the creek	5/24/00 Letter from George Larson, descendant of the Geary family, which homesteaded Sunol Park
1920s-1950s	Niles Canyon	coho there	Leidy, in prep.
1950s & 60s	Alameda Creek at Mission Blvd.	caught silver salmon at “The Spot”	Hal Janssen, fisherman (707) 523-4083
2.11.64	Niles Canyon at Pottery Road	2 silver salmon, one over 15 lb.	photos by Hal Janssen, in possession of ACA
1.3.84	Alameda Creek at BART weir	photos of salmon rescued	ACWD files

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11.27.96	just below BART weir	20 ripe adult chinook 22-40" netted, transported upstream	EBRPD files, photos
12.19.96	just below BART weir	4 more adult chinook spawning, 1 dead male	EBRPD files
11.28.97	Alameda Creek BART weir	1 chinook, ~45" found dead by ACA member Ken Elliott	Photos in possession of ACA, ACWD
1.17.00	below rubber dam	single chinook caught by local	reported to Manny DaCosta, ACPWD
1.26.00	just below BART weir	23", 9 1/4 lb. chinook captured adipose was clipped, fin clip taken	Pete Alexander, EBRPD, Jeff Miller ACA
10.7.04	100' below BART weir	5-10 salmonids	Chris Holman, ACA
10.12.04	flood control channel below Sequoia Bridge, BART weir	1 chinook Seq. Br., several at BART weir	Larry Dennis, ACA
10.27.04	below BART weir	1 large salmonid 20", several smaller fish 16-20"	Larry Dennis, ACA
10.27.04	at BART weir	1 large salmonid, 15 pounds thought to be chinook	ACWD employees
10.29.04	downstream of BART weir	½ dozen fish, one 2' long Thought to be salmonids	David Munn, ACA

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11.04.04	flood control channel Brockaway & Lowry	45" king salmon	Jeff Miller - photos and fin clip
11.15.06	flood control channel at DeCoto Road bridge	6 king salmon, one 20 lbs.	David Gubera
11.23.06	below BART weir	5 or more salmonids seen	Roy Heavilin, ACA member
12.13.06	on apron below BART weir	dying chinook salmon, 20 lbs. rescued, moved to deeper water	Photographed by Dave Garges
12/6.12	below BART weir	One 2-4 pound salmonid seen	Dave Garges, ACA