

Up Your Creek!

The electronic newsletter of the Alameda Creek Alliance

December 7 – Help Plant Trees Along Arroyo Mocho in Livermore

Help plant acorns along the Arroyo Mocho with Living Arroyos, which is restoring a mile of stream channel along Stanley Blvd. in Livermore.

The next workday is Saturday, December 7, from 9 am to noon. Free coffee, snacks and water for volunteers. Register for the workday [here](#).

[Living Arroyos](#) is a public-private partnership to restore the urban streams and streamside habitats of the Livermore-Amador Valley.

December 20 - Eastern Alameda Christmas Bird Count

Join the fifth annual Christmas Bird Count in the upper Alameda Creek watershed, on Friday, December 20th, 2013. The [Eastern Alameda Christmas Bird Count](#) is sponsored by the Alameda Creek Alliance and Ohlone Audubon Society.

Birders and volunteers with any level of experience can participate in the Christmas Bird Count. You'll have a chance to sample the bird life in interesting habitats that fit your interests and abilities. You'll be contributing to the Audubon database and knowledge of the status and distribution of resident and visiting winter birds, and have fun doing it. The 15 mile radius count circle is in the vicinity of the towns of Sunol, Pleasanton and Livermore, and includes five East Bay Regional Parks, significant SFPUC watershed lands, and exciting East Bay birding hotspots such as lower Mines Road, Sunol Wilderness, Calaveras Reservoir, Lawrence Livermore National Lab, Sycamore Grove Park and Springtown Preserve.

More info [here](#)

Save Tesla Park!

The state off-road vehicle agency has issued a “preferred concept” for trashing 3,400 acres of our public land in the southeast corner of Alameda County along the Tesla-Corral Hollow Road, with destructive off-road vehicle “recreation.” California’s Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission intends to expand the existing Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area off-highway vehicle park into valuable wildlife habitat in Tesla Park, much of it in the eastern Alameda Creek watershed.

Please submit comments opposing the plan and stating that Tesla Park should be designated as a non-motorized park and preserve. The deadline to submit comments on the plan is December 13, 2013.

More info at [Save Tesla Park](#)

Alameda Creek Alliance in the News

[***From Perch to Pikeminnows: The Freshwater Fish That Didn't Get Away***](#)

Bay Nature Magazine – September 30, 2013

[Creek Alliance Wants Dublin Owl Habitat Preserved](#)

Livermore Independent – October 11, 2013

Regional Salmon News

[There's A Redd Revival on the Rogue: Dam Removal Means River Teems With Big Chinook](#)

Mail-Tribune – November 19, 2013

[Lawsuit Fights Marin County Measure Allowing Development to Decimate Salmon Habitat](#)

Center for Biological Diversity/SPAWN press release – November 18, 2013

[Elwha River Sees Largest Run of Chinook Salmon In Decades](#)

Everett Herald – November 16, 2013

[Delta Fish Populations Plunge in Summer 2013](#)

Indy Media - November 6, 2013

[Conservation Group: State, Federal Water Projects Violating Water Standards](#)

Central Valley Business Times – November 6, 2013

[Marin's Creekside Development Drama Provides 'Poison Pill' Episode](#)

Marin Independent Journal – October 26, 2013

[Researchers Say Calif. Salmon Experiment a Success](#)

San Jose Mercury News - October 25, 2013

[Salmon Have Arrived](#)

Stockton Record – October 25, 2013

[Conflicted Marin Supervisors Add Sudden Death Clause to Salmon Ordinance](#)

SPAWN press release – October 24, 2013

[When Salmon Begin Fall Migration In Eel, ERRP Volunteers Are There To Count Them](#)

Redwood Times – October 23, 2013

[Young, Endangered Coho Salmon Seen In Walker Creek for the First Time in Five Years](#)

Marin Independent Journal – October 22, 2013

[Salmon Swim Against Currents of Change Along the Coast](#)

Peninsula Press – October 17, 2013

[Marin Salmon Face Imminent Extinction](#)

Marin Independent-Journal opinion piece – October 14, 2013

[Restorative Spirit Fills Carmel River Festival](#)

Monterey Herald – October 13, 2013

[Restore The Delta Rallies 700 People Against Tunnels](#)

Calitics - October 11, 2013

[Economist: Twin Tunnels May Be Delta Death Knell](#)

Manteca Bulletin – October 11, 2013

[Bonde Weir Removal Improves Fish Passage and Increases Pressure on Stanford University](#)

American Rivers blog – October 1, 2013

[New Project Gives 'Snapshot' of CA's Wild Salmon Populations](#)

Bay Nature Magazine - September 30, 2013

[Salmon Advocates Escalate Pressure on Marin County To Stop Weakening Salmon Protection](#)

Indy Media – September 30, 2013

[Steelhead Trout Can Now Move Freely to Creek from San Francisco Bay](#)

San Mateo Patch – September 7, 2013

[Up a Creek: Hopes for Endangered Steelhead Trout Haven't Dried Up Yet](#)

Mission and State (Santa Barbara) – September 4, 2013

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