

Up Your Creek!

The electronic newsletter of the Alameda Creek Alliance

Special Movie Event: See the Film DamNation in Niles - July 24

Join the Alameda Creek Alliance for a screening of the film [DAMNATION](#), the award-winning and inspiring documentary about dam removal.

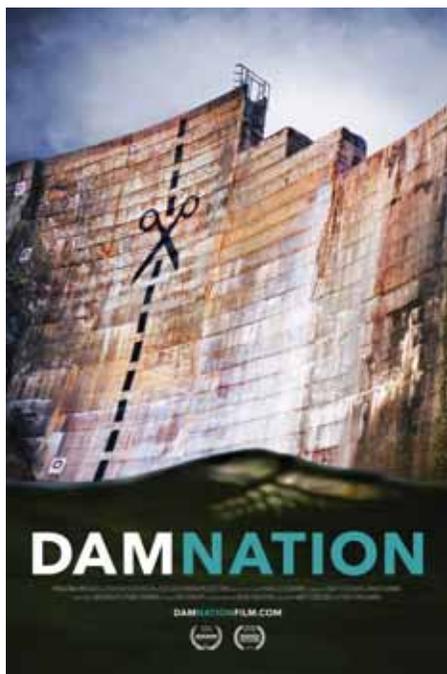
Friday, July 24, from 7-9 pm at the [Niles Essanay Silent Film Museum](#), 37417 Niles Boulevard in Fremont.

Watch the [trailer for DamNation](#)

Special guest Gordon Becker of CEMAR will speak after the film about the Stanford University's Searsville Dam.

Tickets are only \$5 and benefit the Alameda Creek Alliance. Visit our [Upcoming Events](#) page to purchase advanced tickets. Seating is limited.

We need help with publicity. You can [download a poster for the movie event here](#) to be printed and posted at your favorite location or community billboard. Or you can email ralph@alamedacreek.org if you'd like hard copies to post or hand out.



Upcoming Public Meetings in the Alameda Creek Watershed

Find out about important happenings within the Alameda Creek watershed. Visit the Alameda Creek Alliance's [Upcoming Events](#) page for more information on these upcoming public meetings:

Niles Canyon Trail Meeting – June 30

Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle will be hosting a third Niles Canyon Trail Feasibility Study public meeting, on Tuesday, June 30, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm, at the Fremont Veteran's Memorial Building, 37154 - 2nd Street, in Fremont. Please contact District2@acgov.org for more information or to RSVP. This is the third community workshop to present trail options through Niles Canyon.



Sunol Water Recapture Project - July 9

The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission will hold a public information and scoping meeting on the proposed Alameda Creek Recapture Project on Thursday, July 9 at the Sunol Glen School, 11601 Main Street in Sunol, starting at 5:30 pm.

The proposed Alameda Creek Recapture Project would recapture water that infiltrates into a quarry pit in the Sunol Valley, in an amount equivalent to future water releases from Calaveras Reservoir and flows bypassed around the Alameda Creek Diversion Dam for steelhead trout restoration. A description of the project is [here](#).

Alameda Creek Alliance Membership Dinner - October 17

Save the date for our annual membership dinner, to be held on Saturday, October 17 at [Chouinard Winery](#) along Stonybrook Creek, in Niles Canyon. More details soon.

A Wonderful Day on Maguire Peaks in Sunol Wilderness



ACA members had a wonderful hike on Maguire Peaks in Sunol Regional Wilderness, where we observed 113 species of plants and wildlife. We were all surprised at the biodiversity we saw along this hike and by the display of native flowers, given the drought. If you'd like to view our observations, or use them for reference on a future hike, you can find them at our iNaturalist project '[What Lives in the Alameda Creek Watershed](#)'.

Thanks again to Theo Fitanides for leading us on our walk. In addition to being an expert on local flora, Theo has a real knack for identifying birds by sound and for teaching us his methods of identification. Thanks also to fellow hiker Tom for putting together this great [video slideshow](#) of photos from the day.

Explore Alameda County Watersheds Online

The Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District has created an [interactive map](#) of Western Alameda County watersheds that lets teachers, students, parents, kids and outdoor enthusiasts explore, learn, and plan a visit to our wonderful local watersheds. From Berkeley to Fremont, each watershed section includes a map, along with facts on features, waterbodies, recreation, restoration and how you can get involved to preserve and protect our watersheds.

Take Action to Protect the Endangered Species Act

From the Center for Biological Diversity:

With some of our most imperiled plants and animals facing escalating threats from a growing human footprint, climate change and pollution, the Endangered Species Act -- the law that has prevented the extinction of 99 percent of species it protects -- is under unprecedented attack... from the Obama administration. The administration has quietly passed a series of regulatory changes that limit protections for species' critical habitat, make it harder for species to gain protection as threatened or endangered, and sharply curtail citizen participation in implementation of the law.

[Take action now](#) to stop this stealth attack on the Act and check out the Center's [new factsheet](#).

Take Action Against Terrible "Drought Relief" Legislation

Please visit the Friends of the River [action alert](#) to oppose legislation that proposes maximizing water exports and weakening regulations protecting water quality, fish and wildlife in California.

Regional Salmon Restoration News

[***Troubled Delta System Is California's Water Battleground***](#)

New York Times – June 24, 2015

[***Thirsty Billionaires File Complaint to Raid Delta Water***](#)

Daily Kos – June 21, 2015

[***It's Time to Protect the Delta***](#)

Sacramento Bee – June 20, 2015

[***Threatened Salmon Die After Utility Temporarily Shuts Canal***](#)

Redding Record-Searchlight – June 19, 2015

[***California Tries to Save Salmon in Wine Country Creeks***](#)

ABC News – June 11, 2015

[***Imperiled Fish Add to California's Drought Stress***](#)

Sacramento Bee – June 6, 2015

[***Water Export Pumps Have Run Every Day During Record Drought!***](#)

Indy Media – June 5, 2015

[***Salmon Swim in the Owyhee River after 87 Years***](#)

Idaho Statesman – June 4, 2015

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