



# MARIN COUNTY FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION

*From The Commission.....*

*This newsletter is an annual publication of the Marin County Fish and Wildlife Commission.*

*Volunteer members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors for three year terms.*

*The Commission serves to advise the Board and administer the annual grant program.*

*Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month.*



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This year the Commission was pleased to receive proposals for many wonderful and educational projects. The following grant proposals for the 2015 - 2016 year, from non-profit organizations to provide equipment, supplies and other support to directly benefit habitat, wildlife, and fishing populations in Marin, have been reviewed and approved for funding by the Marin County Board of Supervisors.

### ***Friends of Willow Creek***

Founded in 2011 to restore a fragment of above ground creek in Sausalito, involving teachers, students, and parents by replacing non-native plants with natives. The grant funding is for educational material and restoration items. Information: (415) 730-0089 or (415) 332-1658.

### ***Gallinas Watershed Council & Miller Creek Watershed Stewards***

Combined organizations to protect and enhance the environment of these twin creeks. The grant is to support the Dixie Elementary Outdoor Classroom Education Project by providing tools, materials, and plants. Information: (415) 663-9260.



### ***Tomales Bay Library Association***

T.B.L.A. has been providing resources, materials, and educational programs to West Marin for over 40 years. This year's grant is to provide nature backpacks (for check-out) consisting of nature guidebooks and binoculars. Information: (415) 663-9260 or (415) 663-1244.

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### ***The Dance Palace Community Center***

The Community Center serves West Marin by providing classes, meeting space, concerts, cultural events, afterschool programs as well as a summer camp. The grant funding is for materials for nature study classes during the annual summer camp and elementary school afterschool science education. Information: (415) 663-1075.

### ***Tiburon Salmon Institute***

TSI currently raises approximately 10,000 salmon per year to be released into the San Francisco Bay. They directly connect the youth of Marin to this effort to save the fish that swim in their backyards through public raise & release efforts. The grant funding is for partial funding for a specialized truck to tow a mobile aquarium display to schools and educational events. Information: [www.tiburonsalmoninstitute.org](http://www.tiburonsalmoninstitute.org), (415) 435-2397.

### ***California Department of Fish & Wildlife***

The CDFW has primary responsibility to enforce fish and game regulations in Marin County. The grant funding is for scanners and GPS units. Information: P.O. Box 47, Yountville CA 94599.

### ***Audubon Canyon Ranch (ACR)***

ACR was founded in 1962 to protect one of the largest heronries on the west coast. ACR's mission is to protect nature through land preservation, nature-based education and conservation science. The grant funding is for educational supplies for teachers and docents at the Martin Griffin Preserve. Info: (415) 868-9244.

### ***Marin Audubon Society***

Marin Audubon Society (MAS) was established more than 50 years ago to protect the environment. Marin Audubon's educational activities focus on birds and other wildlife as well as wildlife habitats. The grant funding is for the Corte Madera Ecological Reserve Expansion project, to acquire and permanently protect a 5.2 acre site adjacent to the Reserve. Information: [www.marinaudubon.org](http://www.marinaudubon.org).

### ***North Bay Trout Unlimited***

The N.B.T.U. "first cast" program started in 2001 to engender T.U.'s values of conserving, protecting, and restoring coldwater fishing in the youthful stewards of our environment. The grant is for literature, tackle, and fly tying equipment. Information: (415) 307-5363.



### ***Wildcare***

Wildcare/Terwilliger Nature Education and Wildlife Rehabilitation operate a wildlife rehabilitation center for injured animals. In addition, Terwilliger nature vans travel off-site to dozens of schools throughout the area each year to provide hands on nature education. The grant funding is for material, literature and support items for Nature Discovery Programs, Terwilliger Nature Camps, and Wildlife Ambassador Programs. Information: (415) 295-4471 or [www.wildcare.org](http://www.wildcare.org).

### ***Mill Valley Streamkeepers***

The Streamkeepers are an all volunteer organization that began in 1998 working to restore and protect Mill Valley's watershed through educating the community. The grant funding is for newsletter production. Information: [www.millvalleystreamkeepers.org](http://www.millvalleystreamkeepers.org).

### ***S.T.R.A.W.***

Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed (STRAW) started in 1992, to respond to the problem of an endangered species. Today STRAW is a wing of Point Blue (formerly PRBO Conservation Science) that sustains a network of teachers, students and restoration specialists who plan and implement watershed and riparian corridor restoration projects. The grant funding is for tools and materials to support new installation and maintenance of recent project sites. Information: [www.pointblue.org](http://www.pointblue.org).

### ***All One Ocean***

This group, founded in 2010, is working to protect ocean and marine life from the dangers posed by marine debris, especially plastic trash. They have established "Beach Clean-Up Stations" (B'CUS) at various West Marin beaches. They also have an educational program for local Bay Area schools about the dangers of marine debris to ocean ecosystems and human health. The grant funding is for material for on-site beach clean up stations. Information: (510) 859-9198 or [Lauren@alloneocean.org](mailto:Lauren@alloneocean.org).

### ***Richardson Bay Audubon Center and Sanctuary***

The Bay Audubon Center and Sanctuary protects open space in Tiburon along the San Francisco Bay as well as provides nature education programs about local flora and fauna. The grant funding is for educational materials, gardening tools, and optics. Info: (415) 388-2524 or [www.tiburonaudubon.org](http://www.tiburonaudubon.org).

### ***Friends of Novato Creek***

Friends is a non-profit, volunteer based, watershed preservation group formed to protect, monitor, and restore the Novato Creek Watershed. The grant funding is for water quality monitoring equipment and probes. Information: Sue Lattanzio (415) 883-8339.

## ***Mark Your Calendars! Annual Barbecue***

Thursday, September 17, 2015  
4:30 pm -7:30 pm

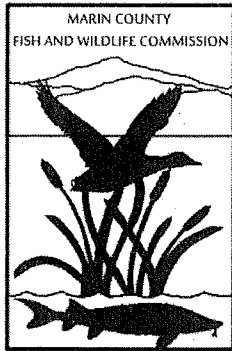
Lagoon Park  
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Marin County's Fish and Wildlife Commission Annual Barbecue. Meet Commission members, grantees, wardens and others associated with Commission activities. Learn more about the Commission grant projects to enhance the fish and wildlife habitat and populations of Marin County.

For applications and deadline information, contact: Marin County Fish and Wildlife Commission, U.C. Cooperative Extension, 1682 Novato Boulevard, Suite 150 B, Novato, CA 94947-7021, (415) 473-4204, <http://cemarin.ucdavis.edu>

The Fish and Wildlife Commission advises the Board of Supervisors on expenditures of funds obtained through fines levied for fish and wildlife violations in Marin County. The funds are designated to enhance fish and wildlife resources in the county and for public education. Grant proposals submitted to the Commission Chair are reviewed during the first quarter of any calendar year and recommended on a competitive basis and availability of funds. If approved by the Board of Supervisors, funding becomes available by fall of the same year. The commission can also provide letters of endorsement for projects seeking alternative sources of funding. The commission sponsors an annual barbecue (September 17, 2015) for grantees and community groups.

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