



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 education programs and restoration projects. The Marin County Board of Supervisors reviewed and approved the following grant proposals for funding in 2017-2018. These grant recipients, a combination of Marin non-profit organizations, will use the awards for equipment and supplies that directly benefit habitat, wildlife, and fish populations in Marin.

Friends of Willow Creek

Founded in 2011 to restore a fragment of above ground creek in Sausalito, teachers, students, and parents participate in 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) 479-9127.



Environmental Action Committee of West Marin

The EAC provides youth outdoor experiences to learn about the unique habitats for West Marin fish and wildlife. The grant funding is to update and expand the current youth education programs. Information: (415) 663-9312.

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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 program.

Information: (415) 663-1075.

Marin Humane Society

The Marin Humane Society education program engages more than 5,000 children each year. The grant funding is to facilitate a creekside classroom on Novato Creek along the north side of their property. Information: (415) 883-4621.



Watershed Alliance of Marin

The W.A.M. documents and determines the condition of the many watersheds in Marin. The grant funding is to provide a map and "report card" for Marin's bayside eastern creeks. Information: (415) 234-9007.

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 planting and growing of native plants on the upland portion of the Bahia Central Peninsula. Information: 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 into youthful stewards of our environment. The grant is for coaching, tackle and fly tying equipment for youths, 8-10 years old. 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) 456-7283 or 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.

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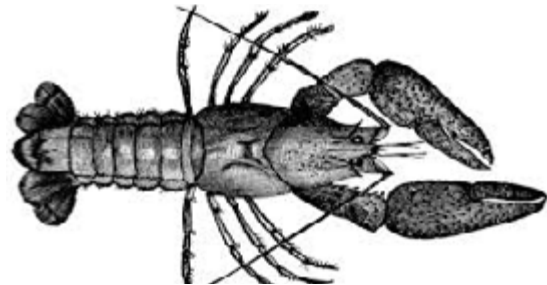
Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed (STRAW) started in 1992, to respond to the problem of an endangered species. Today STRAW is a wing of Point Blue (formerly PRBO Conservation Science) that sustains a network of teachers, students and restoration specialists who plan and implement watershed and riparian corridor restoration projects. The grant funding is for partial ownership of an A.T.V. for moving equipment and materials to remote restoration sites. Information: 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 ecosystem and human health. The grant funding is for on-site beach clean up station materials. Information: (510) 859-9198 or 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 equipment. Info: (415) 388-2524 or www.tiburonaudubon.org.



Mark Your Calendars! Annual Barbecue

Thursday, September 14, 2017
4:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Lagoon Park
(next to jury parking)

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.

Marin County Fish and Wildlife Commission

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 14, 2017) for grantees and community groups.

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://cemar.in.ucdavis.edu>



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