



MARIN COUNTY FISH AND WILDLIFE 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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From The Commission.....

This year the Commission was pleased to receive proposals for many wonderful and educational projects. The following grant proposals for the 2013 - 2014 year, from non-profit organizations to provide equipment and supplies to directly benefit habitat, wildlife, and fish populations in Marin, have been reviewed and approved for funding by the Marin County Board of Supervisors. We also received additional funds for distribution from the North Bay Watershed Association.

Tyee Foundation

The Tyee Foundation annually raises over 50,000 salmon fingerlings in net pens in Tiburon in the San Francisco Bay. Volunteers feed and release the fish as smolts to leave for ocean migration and then return to support sportfishing in Marin and Sonoma. The grant request is for crane rental, food, and vaccine. Information: (415) 665-7839 or (650) 766-5129

Point Reyes Seashore Association

This association is a partner with the National Park Service at Point Reyes National Seashore. Membership dues support a variety of park programs. The association provides a variety of educational field seminars, summer camp programs, and operates sales outlets in park visitor centers that help fund various park programs. The grant funding is for printing costs of 2000 educational newsletters about offshore ecosystems, impact of plastic debris, sea level rise and ocean acidification. Information: (415) 663-1200 or www.ptreyes.org

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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: www.dancepalace.org

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) 453-1000 or www.wildcarebayarea.org

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 a GPS unit and field supplies to determine if identified canyons are suitable to reintroduce Foothill Yellow Legged Frogs (FYLF). Information: (415) 868-9244

Marin Audubon Society

Marin Audubon Society (MAS) was established more than 50 years ago to protect the environment and is also a chapter of the National Audubon Society. Marin Audubon's educational activities focus on birds and other wildlife as well as wildlife habitats. The Society offers regularly scheduled field trips to natural areas focused on bird identification, and monthly programs on natural history topics. The grant funding is for educational signage and low fencing on the overlook of the Triangle Marsh Restoration Project (Southern Corte Madera marsh). Information: (415) 721-4271 or www.marinaudubon.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

S.T.R.A.W.

Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed (S.T.R.A.W.) grew out of the work of the Shrimp Project that began in 1992, to respond to the problem of an endangered species. Today S.T.R.A.W. is a wing of Point Blue (formerly P.R.B.P.O 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.prbo.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 three on site beach clean up stations. Information: (510) 859-9198 or Lauren@alloneocean.org

Mark Your Calendars! Annual Barbecue

**Thursday,
September 12, 2013**

**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.

On The Web!

Check the Cooperative Extension website at <http://cemar.in.ucdavis.edu> for information and to download applications.