

February 3, 2017

Alameda Creek Alliance
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Re: Update on Sinbad Creek Stewardship Project

Thank you for supporting the Alameda Creek Alliance and the Sinbad Creek Stewardship Project. We are still working to get some aspects of our project off the ground, and are moving ahead on others. Many of our activities are dependent on consistent flows in the creek, which we have been thankful to be getting this year.

We held a community meeting in Sunol, CA on January 25th to outreach to the community about Sinbad Creek and upcoming volunteer opportunities. We produced an outreach flyer, and we had community volunteers walk their neighborhoods handing out flyers and outreaching to their neighbors. We had a great turnout of 28 individuals who came to listen about the ecology of their local creek, hear about our monitoring and mapping projects and how they can help, and share their thoughts and concerns about the creek. We organized everyone onto an email list, which we are using to outreach about upcoming volunteer opportunities. In the meeting the community also expressed interest in invasive plant control in the watershed, which we are helping to support and organize.

We began sampling for bacteria on February 1st, 2107, and will continue with weekly sampling efforts through March 1st. We had two volunteers from our stewardship meeting come help with the sampling and learn the protocols, and additional people indicated they may join us in future weeks. We will begin measuring other water quality parameters next week.

Our mapping efforts and deployment of the temperature data loggers have been delayed due to issues with partners and our abilities to coordinate schedules. We have a new partner at Cal State East Bay that is interested in helping to map the creek, and we are working with a natural resources group out of Pleasanton ([Spatial Informatics Group](#)) to produce a publicly-accessible GIS base map for the watershed that we can add our own data to. We will use GPS to map features of the creek this spring.

We are working in consultation with two fish biologists (Pete Alexander, Joe Sullivan- EBRPD) to deploy our HOBO temperature data loggers in Sinbad Creek. The units have been procured and we are working on coordinating a time to place them in the creek.

AC Fish and Game Propagation Funds Spent:

\$1,539 10 HOBO V2 Temperature Data Loggers; 1 Waterproof shuttle (for data downloads)

AC Fish and Game Propagation Funds Remaining:

\$600 Printing expenses for Sinbad Creek report for the local community.

\$800 Consultant to provide an online base map of Sinbad Creek.

Our receipt for the data loggers is attached (below), as is the flyer for the community meeting. We expect to provide a full report to our funders and to the Sunol community when our activities are complete in late spring. Thank you again for your support. Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Ralph Boniello

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YOU'RE INVITED!

Join the Alameda Creek Alliance for a community meeting to discuss Sinbad Creek, and upcoming opportunities to help monitor water quality and the health of the Creek.

**Wednesday, Jan. 25
7:00—830pm**

**Sunol Glen School
11601 Main St,
Sunol, CA 94586**

Join us in a project to collecting baseline information about Sinbad Creek for more effective creek stewardship!

At the Meeting We'll Discuss:

- Mapping Sinbad creek
- Measuring water quality
- Bacteria sampling
- Monitoring creek insects (macroinvertebrates)
- Controlling invasive plants

Bring your ideas, and share your knowledge!

**Visit us online:
alamedacreek.org**



Have you ever wondered about the water quality in Sinbad Creek? Or what lives at the bottom of our creek?

Help us with creek monitoring!

Learn about this and other volunteer opportunities!

Share your ideas, thoughts, and concerns!





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