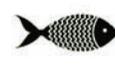


# Deer Creek Watershed

## Monitoring and improving water quality in the Deer Creek Watershed

Butte, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sierra and Yuba Counties; State Senate District 1, State Assembly District 3

### DEER CREEK WATERSHED CONSERVANCY

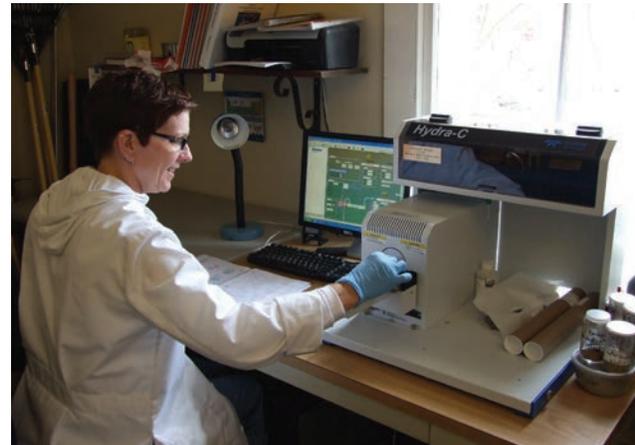


The Deer Creek Watershed Conservancy (DCWC) Watershed Coordinator worked closely with farmers in the watershed to establish a cooperative work partnership. The Cone Kimball Agreement addresses the water needs of irrigated agriculture operations while maintaining adequate flows to sustain fish habitats through key diversion structures along the creek. This agreement expanded already successful working relationships and increased partnerships within the watershed, while improving in-stream conditions for fish passage, making this a win-win situation.

The Coordinator also participated in the region's Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) process. The management plan incorporates the enhancement of anadromous fish spawning and rearing, and the maintenance of viable habitats. The plan also provides an integrated, long-term, adaptive flood management plan for lower Deer Creek.

The Watershed Coordinator helped to promote the Sustainable Beef Program sponsored by the DCWC. This program marketed local grass fed beef directly to consumers. It was successful in showing consumers that they have economically viable options to benefit land stewardship via their food choices.

For more information visit the Deer Creek Conservancy website at <http://www.deercreekconservancy.org>



- Assisted California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) in advancing the replacement or repair of fish ladders on Deer Creek by participating in the proposal process and serving on the review committee
- Assisted CDFW with an annual angler survey to tag and count salmon
- Completed several high profile erosion and road abandonment projects
- Developed a Responsible Recreation Plan that provides information to recreational users about private property rights and appropriate ways to access Deer Creek
- Participated in numerous education and outreach programs across 6 counties

***“The Cone Kimball Agreement promotes responsible land stewardship, while emphasizing the importance of current land use.”***  
***- Holly Jorgenson, Watershed Coordinator***

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