

Suisun Bay Watershed

Fostering grassroots stewardship for the Northern Suisun Bay Watershed

Alameda, Contra Costa, Napa and Solano Counties; State Senate District 3, State Assembly Districts 4, 11, 14



SOLANO RCD



- Planted 20,700+ native trees, shrubs, grasses and sedges for restoration projects
- Conducted 8 “Welcome to the Watershed” water conservation and native plant gardening workshops which attracted over 200 participants
- Developed and completed 11 habitat restoration projects in the watershed
- Developed 16 conservation plans for landowners of local farms and ranches
- Installed 20 new blue bird nesting boxes, which were maintained by volunteers in the Blue Rock Springs Corridor
- Educated over 11,400 visitors to Lake Berryessa on better boating practices that reduce pollution and halt the spread of noxious invasive aquatic species

The Watershed Coordinators worked to restore and enhance watershed function, aquatic and riparian habitat, and water quality in the Northern Suisun Bay Watershed. They coordinated the cleanup of illegal dump sites on agricultural lands, the management of invasive weed populations, and the collection and preservation of native plants for restoration projects. The Coordinators also worked to expand direct contact with rural residents and develop sustainable funding partnerships to support future watershed programs.

The Coordinators worked with many organizations and partners to complete several habitat restoration projects. They worked closely with local landowners to help them develop conservation plans for their properties. They also helped landowners add wildlife habitat on several waterways and upland areas, both alongside farm fields and within urban areas, on their properties.

The Coordinators worked to develop a place-based, citizen science biomonitoring program for local high school and junior college students. Through this program, young people received hands-on training in scientific data collection and first-hand knowledge of water quality issues in their watershed. All data collected was submitted to the Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP), which is a statewide watershed monitoring program.

For more information visit the Solano RCD website at <http://www.solanorcd.org>

“Both Coordinators work with regional and local partners and cooperators to increase stakeholder participation in watershed improvement efforts.”

- Chris Rose, Executive Director, Solano RCD

PARTNERS INCLUDED: Solano County Water Agency • USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service • Vallejo Watershed Alliance
City of Fairfield • City of Suisun City • City of Vallejo • Solano County • California Land Stewardship Institute