



Alpine Watershed Group 2025 Recap

Alpine Watershed Group protects, conserves, and restores the watersheds of Alpine County by promoting sustainable community and science-based collaborative solutions.

In 2025, 321 volunteers participated in 22 different events donating 667 hours of time to steward Alpine County's watersheds.



Monitoring

- Did baseline monitoring of **15 transects** so we can assess **aspen regeneration** following fuels reduction work around Monitor Pass
- Supported **23 River Monitors** in collecting **water quality** data at 8 sites throughout the Upper Carson River watershed
- **Monitored 141 Jeffrey pine seedlings** across **5 sites**, and **tagged 35** at **1 new site** to be monitored next year



Restoration

- Markleeville Creek Floodplain Restoration Project at Highway 89 bridge **began construction**
- West Fork Carson River Prioritization Project identified **16 projects**
- Partnered to lead volunteers in planting **1,105 Jeffrey, 72 sugar, and 58 pinyon pine seedlings** along with **350 germinated pinyon seeds**



Creek Day 2025

- Volunteers scoured highways, dispersed camping areas, and an illegal dump site to keep **hundreds of pounds of debris** from entering Alpine County's waterways



Education

- Supported getting **Trout in the Classroom** program at Alpine County schools
- Led Snapshot Day field trip in Hope Valley for **38 Diamond Valley School students**



Outreach

- Shared our mission and projects with **295 people** at **15 community events**
- Hosted a bioblitz and taught 5 people how to use iNaturalist—**92 observations** were made



2026 Work Funded by Grants

- Continue supporting the Forest Health Community Working Group's efforts
- Work with Amador, Calaveras, and Tuolumne Resource Conservation Districts on a regional climate resilience strategy for natural and working lands
- Start monitoring the Markleeville Creek Floodplain Restoration Project