

August 8, 2018

Successful Physical Habitat Assessment Training

On Saturday, July 28th, Erick Burres, Senior Environmental Scientist and Clean Water Team Citizen Monitoring Coordinator of the California State Water Board, hosted a Physical Habitat Assessment Training for a group of AWG volunteers. Volunteers reviewed physical habitat parameters indoors and then followed this lesson with stream assessments of two different sites while taking in the beauty of Alpine County watersheds. Thank you to everyone who attended!







Ambient Monitoring Day & Stream Walk

Join AWG staff and volunteer monitors for our <u>Ambient Monitoring Day</u>. On Saturday, August 11th at 8:00 a.m., volunteers will meet at the AWG office at 50 Diamond Valley Road to participate in water quality monitoring at different sites across the watershed. This Saturday will also include a stream walk, done annually at each site to assess the health of the habitat in the surrounding area. For those folks who attended the Physical Habitat Assessment Training, this is a great way to apply the skills you learned. If you are interested in volunteering, please download the volunteer application here. For more information, contact Marina Vance, Restoration and Monitoring Coordinator at awg.snap.rm@gmail.com.

Mark Your Calendar for Creek Day!

On Saturday, September 8th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., AWG will be hosting the <u>19th</u> <u>Annual Markleeville Creek Day</u>. Volunteers will first gather at Markleeville Library Park at 9:00 a.m. to kick off the day and then carpool to their registered projects. At the end of the

work day, everyone will come back to the park for a community celebration with raffle prizes and kids' crafts! Be sure to sign up for a specific site by clicking the button below. RSVP by August 31st to get the spot you want!

RSVP

On Sunday, September 16th from 9:00 a.m. to noon, AWG is partnering with Lake Alpine Water Company to host the <u>Bear Valley Lake Day</u>. Volunteers will help to enhance the Bear Lake access point with a restoration project. Lunch will be provided at the end of the day. **RSVP by September 8th to info@lakealpinewater.com to reserve your spot!**



The Many Ways to Support AWG

Next time you're shopping on Amazon, please check out our <u>Wish List!</u> These are items that we need to sustain our monitoring, restoration, and education programs, as well as the day-to-day workings of our organization. We've also added books that we think would be a great addition to our <u>Little Library</u>.

Another way to support AWG is through our <u>AmazonSmile link</u>. By using this link to do your online shopping, AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the price of the item to Alpine Watershed Group.

Of course, we always welcome donations via check or PayPal. Visit our <u>Donate</u> webpage for details on becoming an AWG Sustaining Member.

Thank you for supporting AWG is any way that you can!

Sierra Nevada Alliance Conference

The Sierra Nevada Alliance is hosting their 25th Anniversary Conference August 15th through August 17th in King's Beach. The theme of the conference this year is "Regional Resiliency":

"Resiliency is the capacity to respond to a perturbation or disturbance by resisting damage and recovering quickly.' The definition of resiliency is not only relevant for the Sierra Nevada that we want to create, but also the Sierra Nevada Alliance as an organization and where we stand today on a comeback. At this year's conference, we will collaborate and learn innovative ways to enhance the ecological resiliency of the Sierra. There are many opportunities and constraints that stand before us, but as a true alliance we can succeed. Please join us for this lively three day conference event. We are planning a progressive, provocative agenda, with many networking opportunities, and fun to be had throughout!"

More Information

Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, August 11th: <u>Ambient Monitoring Day</u> & Stream Walk
- Wednesday, August 15th Friday, August 17th: Sierra Nevada Alliance Conference
- Saturday, September 8th: 19th Annual Markleeville Creek Day
- Sunday, September 16th: <u>Bear Valley Lake Day</u>





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