



MARIN COUNTY FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION

This newsletter is an annual publication of the Marin County Fish and Wildlife Commission.

Volunteer members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors for three year terms.

The Commission serves to advise the Board and administer the annual grant program.

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month.



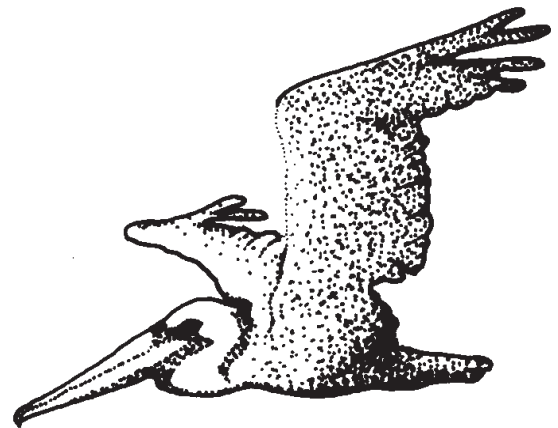
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From The Commission...

This year the Commission was pleased to receive proposals for many wonderful education programs and restoration projects. The Marin County Board of Supervisors reviewed and approved the following grant proposals for funding in FY 2021-2022. These grant recipients, a mix of Marin non-profit organizations, will use the awards for equipment and supplies that directly benefit habitat, wildlife and fish populations in Marin.

Marin Humane

Marin Humane is committed to the protection and care of Marin County's wildlife population. The grant funding is to purchase a wildlife trail camera with a remote moitor system for a humane box trap. Information: (415) 883-4621.



Felidae Conservation Fund (FCF)

The FCF monitors puma activity in Marin County to determine their populations and movements. Funding is for trail cameras and locks. Information: (415) 354-5655.

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STRAW

Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed (STRAW) started in 1992 to respond to the problem of an endangered species. Today, STRAW is a wing of Point Blue that sustains a network of teachers, students and restoration specialists to plan and implement watershed and riparian corridor restoration projects.

The grant funding is to purchase youth size rain gear and field clothes to support hands-on, in-the-field projects.

Information:

www.pointblue.org.



Marin Audubon Society

Marin Audubon Society was established more than 50 years ago to protect the environment. Marin Audubon's educational activities focus on birds, other wildlife, and wildlife habitat. The grant funding is to provide native plants on the levies of Bahia wetlands. Information: www.marinaudubon.org.

Chileno Valley Newt Brigade

Established in 2019, the brigade saves hundreds of newts as they cross Chileno Valley Road to Laguna Lake for breeding and egg laying during the seasonal rains. The grant is for purchasing safety equipment for the trained volunteers. Information:

www.chilenovalleynewtbrigade.org.

Golden Gate Trout Unlimited (GGTU)

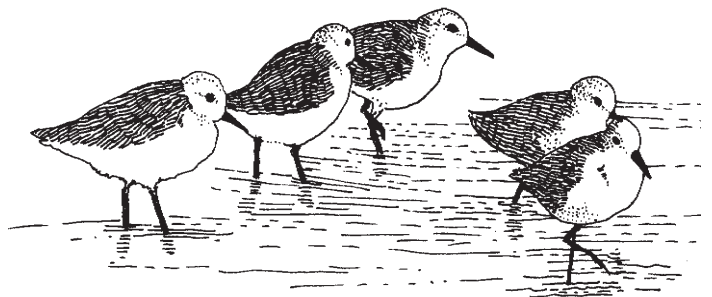
Golden Gate Trout Unlimited's "first cast" program started in 2001 to engender TU's values of conserving, protecting, and restoring coldwater fishing into youthful stewards of our environment. The grant is for literature, tackle and fly tying equipment for youth, 8-10 years old. Information: (415) 307-5363.

Slide Ranch

Established in 1970 on the Marin coast, Slide Ranch is a working ranch/farm that has an ongoing program of hands-on educational experience for children to connect with nature. The grant funding is for a farm to table to fork program.

Information:

development@slideranch.org.



Audubon Canyon Ranch (ACR)

ACR was founded in 1962 to protect one of the largest heronries on the west coast. ACR's mission is to protect nature through land preservation, nature-based education and conservation science. The grant funding is for equipment to track the declining population of banded shore birds in the Bolinas Lagoon area. Information: (415) 868-9244.

All One Ocean

This group, founded in 2010, is working to protect ocean and marine life from the dangers posed by marine debris, especially plastic trash. They have established "Beach Clean-Up Stations" at various West Marin beaches. They also have an educational program for local Bay Area schools about the dangers of marine debris to ocean ecosystem and human health. The grant funding is for materials and supplies to repair and maintain the stations. Information: (510) 859-9198.



Environmental Action Committee of West Marin (EAC)

The EAC provides youth outdoor experiences to learn about the unique habitats of West Marin fish and wildlife. The grant funding is for printing of CF&W guidelines for visitors of Marin's ocean public access locations. Information: (415) 663-9312.



Salmon Protection and Watershed Network (SPAWN)

SPAWN works to protect endangered salmonids and improve ecosystem health in the Lagunitas Creek Watershed. The grant funding is for nursery supplies for native pollinator plants for monarch butterflies in the San Rafael watershed. Information: (415) 663-8590 ext 6.

This year, due to the COVID-19 restrictions, and the spike in the Delta variant, we will not host our annual barbecue.

"Stay safe and wear your mask"