

Up Your Creek!

The electronic newsletter of the Alameda Creek Alliance

Niles Canyon Stroll & Roll - September 22

SAVE THE DATE



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

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Join us for the third Niles Canyon Stroll and Roll this Sunday, September 22nd from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. A scenic stretch of Niles Canyon Road between Fremont and Sunol will be closed to automobiles for the day to give outdoor lovers exclusive access to the Canyon.

Visit the Alameda Creek Alliance information tables at the Sunol and Niles ends of the canyon, and download our free [Natural History Tour of Niles Canyon](#) before you go!

The event is being held for the third time in four years to raise awareness about a proposed new trail through the Canyon that would expand public access to its forested flanks, historic landmarks and sweeping vistas of Alameda Creek. Bicyclists have repeatedly called for a trail due to safety concerns related to sharing the narrow roadway with automobiles. Hiking access to the Canyon is limited and the trail would provide a vital link between trail networks in the Tri-Valley and Alameda County's bay-front corridor. Participants in the event will have the chance to discuss proposals for a Niles Canyon trail with staff from Alameda County and the East Bay Regional Park District.

Automobiles will be barred from Niles Canyon Road between Mission Boulevard in Fremont and Main Street in Sunol from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, September 22. During the first hour – from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. – the road will be open to bicyclists only to give cyclists a chance to traverse the winding thoroughfare unimpeded by others.

There will be free parking for participants. On the Sunol side, parking will be provided in the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission lot at 11600 Pleasanton Sunol Road. On the Fremont side, parking will be provided at the Quarry Lakes Regional Recreation Area, 2100 Isherwood Way, Fremont. Participants are encouraged to use public transportation to get to the event. Free shuttle service will be available at Quarry Lakes and the Fremont BART station to transport participants to and from the event.

You can find more information about the event at 84strollroll.com

Last Week to RSVP for Alameda Creek Alliance Picnic - September 28



On Saturday, September 28, the Alameda Creek Alliance will host a picnic for our members and supporters at [Chouinard Winery](#) in Palomares Canyon. Join us at the winery from noon to 4 pm. Chat with ACA staff and Board members about Alameda Creek restoration projects.

You must RSVP for this event by this Saturday, September 21 to alamedacreek@hotmail.com

We will provide picnic snacks and light food (antipasto, meat and cheese tray, vegetables, potato salad, coleslaw, garden salad, and dessert). Suggested \$5-10 donation for food. Wine will be available for purchase by the bottle or glass.

Parking is limited at the winery! Please take our shuttle van from downtown Sunol or Niles. We will run van shuttles to the winery from Niles at 11:40 am; Sunol 12:10; Niles 12:40. Return shuttles from the winery will be 2:30 to Niles; 3:10 to Sunol; 3:45 to Niles.

Fish Ladder Progress



The first of three years of construction is well underway on the major fish ladder project in lower Alameda Creek. This fishway will allow steelhead and salmon to bypass the 12' high BART weir and the adjacent rubber dam. Contractors for ACWD are currently excavating and pouring foundations to anchor the lower end (the entrance) to the eventual fish ladder.

Regional Salmon Restoration News

[Newsom Plans to Veto Bill That Would Have Blocked Trump's Rollback of Endangered Species Protections](#)

Los Angeles Times - September 14, 2019

[Feinstein, Costa Support Weakening of CA Bill Blocking Trump Rollbacks of Environmental Regulations](#)

IndyMedia - September 10, 2019

[Why MWD and Other Water Agencies Oppose SB 1](#)

NRDC blog - September 9, 2019

[Water Interests Are Fighting California's Bid to Block Trump's Environmental Rollbacks](#)

Los Angeles Times - September 9, 2019

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