



The Honorable Candace Andersen
County Supervisor, Contra Costa County
651 Pine St.
Martinez, CA 94553

Dear Supervisor Andersen,

On behalf of the Walnut Creek Watershed Council, I am inviting you to attend our second annual community watershed conference. This year's event, titled *Living Creeks: Native Fish in Urban Waterways*, will be held on October 12 at the Lafayette Veteran's Hall.

At 150 square miles in size, the Walnut Creek Watershed is the largest watershed in Contra Costa County. The conference will bring together people who live and work in the watershed, elected officials, and creeks groups. The speakers and the panel will focus on fish (and wildlife) in the creeks in our watershed, describe successful watershed projects in nearby watersheds, and discuss the challenges to restoring our watershed. Local creek groups and supporting agencies will have the opportunity to show what they are doing and invite participation in various watershed activities.

The Council, which includes creek groups, stewardship organizations and public agencies, is seeking to raise awareness of the watershed, to develop a vision plan for the watershed, and to identify areas of potential watershed restoration opportunities, all with the goal of improving the health of the watershed. The details are in the attached flyer. Attendance is free of charge.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Simmons".

Bob Simmons
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