



# CELEBRATING CONTRA COSTA COUNTY'S WATERSHEDS

2006  
Calendar



# WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP OUR WATERSHEDS HEALTHY

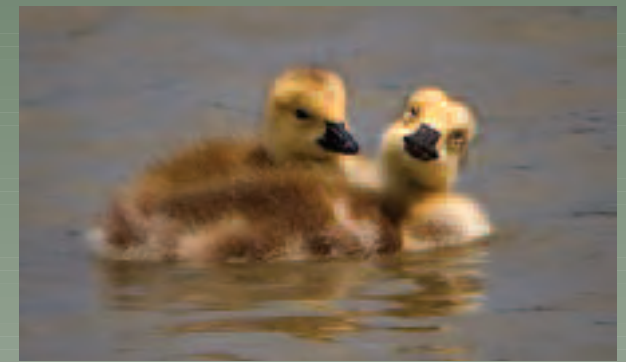
Welcome to the 2006 edition of the Contra Costa County Watershed Program's award winning Watershed Calendar.

The theme this year is water within our county watersheds and the wondrous variety of plants, wildlife and recreation it supports. We think this year's calendar will inspire you. We owe a debt of thanks to all the photographers who have contributed their beautiful work. We hope you will explore and learn how to protect your local watershed.

Each month you will find stewardship activities in which to participate and practical ways to protect and improve our water quality. A healthy watershed makes for a healthy community for us all.



Gayle B. Uilkema, Chair  
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OF THIS CALENDAR FOR A  
HANDY LIST OF CONTRA  
COSTA COUNTY AND  
WATERSHED RESOURCES YOU  
CAN REFER TO ALL YEAR.

# Restoring Our Watersheds



PLANTING NATIVE GRASSES



COLLECTING CREEK DATA



MONITORING TEMPERATURE



COLLECTING SEED



COLLECTING AQUATIC LIFE

Throughout Contra Costa County creek and watershed stewardship groups work to protect our creeks and open spaces from non-native plant and animal species, toxic chemicals, and other impacts such as illegal dumping and soil erosion. Volunteers of all ages, working with experts, remove invasive plants and replace them with native species to create healthy habitat for our wildlife and to stabilize creek banks. They also collect and analyze water quality data and conduct litter and debris clean-up projects.

In this 2006 calendar you'll find listings each month of the meetings and work parties for many of these groups. Please contact them to learn how you can participate, or to find out which group is working in your community. Call the Citizen's Monitoring Program at (925) 335-1315 or visit [www.cocowaterweb.org](http://www.cocowaterweb.org)

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These **RESOURCES** can help you keep our County's watersheds safe, healthy and beautiful.

### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY HOUSEHOLD **HAZARDOUS** WASTE (HHW) CENTERS

FOR RESIDENTS OF: Alamo, Blackhawk, Clayton, Concord, Clyde, Danville, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Orinda, Pacheco, Pleasant Hill, San Ramon, Walnut Creek, and other Central County unincorporated areas within the service area, contact:

Central Contra Costa HHW Collection Program at 1-800-646-1431 or online at [www.centralsan.org](http://www.centralsan.org).

FOR RESIDENTS OF: Antioch, Bay Point, Bethel Island, Brentwood, Byron, Discovery Bay, Knightsen, Oakley, and Pittsburg, contact:

Delta Diablo Sanitation District Household Hazardous Waste Hotline at (925) 756-1990 or online at [www.ddsd.org](http://www.ddsd.org).

FOR RESIDENTS OF: Crockett, El Cerrito, El Sobrante, Hercules, Kensington, Pinole, Port Costa, Richmond, Rodeo, and San Pablo, contact:

West Contra Costa Integrated Waste Management Authority at 1 (888) 412-9277 or online at [www.recyclenore.org](http://www.recyclenore.org).

### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY WATERSHED-RELATED INFORMATION — EDUCATIONAL AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



**Bio-Integral Resource Center (BIRC)**  
[www.birc.org](http://www.birc.org)  
(510) 524-2567

**Contra Costa Clean Water Program**  
[www.ccleanwater.org](http://www.ccleanwater.org)  
(925) 313-2360

**Contra Costa County Fish and Wildlife Committee**  
[www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/depart/cd/water/FWC/](http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/depart/cd/water/FWC/)  
(925) 335-1230



**Contra Costa County Recycling Hotline**  
[www.cccrecycle.org](http://www.cccrecycle.org)  
(800) 750-4096

**Contra Costa Resource Conservation District**  
[www.ccrd.org](http://www.ccrd.org)  
(925) 672-6522 x106

**Contra Costa Water District**  
[www.ccwater.com](http://www.ccwater.com)  
(925) 688-8000

**Contra Costa Watershed Forum**  
[www.cocowaterweb.org](http://www.cocowaterweb.org)  
(925) 335-1230

**East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD)**  
[www.EBMUD.com](http://www.EBMUD.com)  
(866) 403-2683

**Ecology Center – Creek Groups/Links**  
[www.ecologycenter.org/erc/creeks/creekreport.html](http://www.ecologycenter.org/erc/creeks/creekreport.html)

**East Bay Regional Park District**  
[www.ebparks.org](http://www.ebparks.org)  
(510) 635-0135

**Friends of the San Francisco Estuary**  
[www.abag.ca.gov/bayarea/sfep/about/friends.html](http://www.abag.ca.gov/bayarea/sfep/about/friends.html)  
(510) 622-2337



**Gardens at Heather Farm**  
[www.gardenshf.org](http://www.gardenshf.org)  
(925) 947-1678

**LifeGarden**  
[www.LifeGarden.org](http://www.LifeGarden.org)  
(925) 937-3044



**Lindsay Wildlife Museum**  
[www.wildlife-museum.org](http://www.wildlife-museum.org)  
(925) 935-1978

**Natural Heritage Institute**  
[www.n-h-i.org](http://www.n-h-i.org)  
(415) 693-3000

**San Francisco Bay Estuary Institute**  
[www.sfei.org/](http://www.sfei.org/)  
(510) 746-7334

**San Francisco Bay Joint Venture**  
[www.sfbayjv.org](http://www.sfbayjv.org)  
(415) 833-3850

**State Water Resources Control Board – Clean Water Team**  
[www.swrcb.ca.gov/nps/volunteer.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/nps/volunteer.html)  
(510) 622-2470



**Save Mount Diablo**  
[www.savemountdiablo.org](http://www.savemountdiablo.org)  
(925) 947-3535

**UC Coop Extension – Master Gardeners**  
<http://ccmg.ucdavis.edu/>  
(925) 646-6586



**Urban Creeks Council**  
[www.urbancreeks.org](http://www.urbancreeks.org)  
(510) 540-6669

**The Watershed Project**  
[www.thewatershedproject.org](http://www.thewatershedproject.org)  
(510) 665-3546

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### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY NUMBERS:

**Animal Services:** (925) 335-8300

**Assessor's Office:** (925) 313-7400

**Building Inspection:** (925) 646-4108

**Clerk of the Board of Supervisors:**  
(925) 335-1900

**Community Development:**  
(925) 335-1290

**Contra Costa County Watershed Program:** (925) 313-2000

**Environmental Health:** (925) 646-5225

**Flood Control and Water Conservation District:** (925) 313-2000

**Permit Center:** (925) 335-1360

**Public Works:** (925) 313-2000

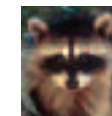
**Recorders Office:** (925) 646-2360

**Road Maintenance:** (925) 313-7000

**Sheriff:** non-emergency (925) 335-1500

**Tax Collector:** (925) 646-4122

**Vector Control (mosquitos and other pests, traps):** (925) 685-9301



**Protect Our Watersheds for Future Generations**

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