

# 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.....***

We are pleased to announce the following grants were approved by the Board of Supervisors for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. Twelve projects from non-profit organizations will receive grants that directly benefit habitat, wildlife and fish populations in Marin County and also provide educational opportunities. Our partnership with the Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program continues as they provide additional funding for these grants.

### ***North Bay Trout Unlimited***

The North Bay Chapter of Trout Unlimited serves anglers and environmentally conscious friends in an ongoing effort to fulfill the mission of Trout Unlimited: "...to conserve and restore North America's trout and salmon fisheries and their watersheds." The grant request is for a partnership effort between Samuel P. Taylor State Park and the organization to fence areas along the creeks in Devils Gulch to prevent erosion and protect salmon populations. Information: P.O. Box 6016 San Rafael, CA 94903 <http://www.nbtu.org>

### ***Friends of Corte Madera Creek***

This group of local citizens has joined together with a common interest in improving the Corte Madera Creek watershed in the communities of Fairfax, San Anselmo, Ross, Kentfield, Greenbrae, Larkspur, and much of Corte Madera. Activities include establishing a creek monitoring program for adults and school children to identify problem areas, developing a watershed plan, and advocating for the health of the creek. The grant request is for printing 'Creek Chronicles newsletter.' Information: (415) 454-8608

[www.friendsofcortemaderacreek.org](http://www.friendsofcortemaderacreek.org)

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## ***Tyee Foundation***

The Tyee Foundation annually raises over 50,000 salmon fingerlings in net pens in Tiburon in the San Francisco Bay. Volunteers feed and release the fish as smolts to leave for ocean migration and then return to support sportfishing in Marin and Sonoma. The grant request is for net repairs. Information: (415) 665-7839.

## ***Mill Valley Streamkeepers***

The Streamkeepers are an all volunteer organization that began in 1998 working to restore and protect Mill Valley's watershed through educating the community. The grant request is for media production of banners and signs. Information: [www.millvalleystreamkeepers.org](http://www.millvalleystreamkeepers.org)

## ***Tomaes Bay Association***

This association monitors the health of the Tomales Bay Watershed; holding conferences to disseminate information. The association co-sponsors artist Dan McCormick and the Artists In the School Program of Gallery Route One in Point Reyes Station. Students from West Marin Elementary School construct various habitat restoration and protection devices along Olema Creek. The grant request is additional for straw, burlap, etc. to construct erosion control devices that are placed along creekbanks. This project continues every year with each seventh grade class conducting both science and art activities around the watershed. Information: P.O. Box 369, Point Reyes, CA 95956



## ***Point Reyes Seashore Association***

This association is a partner with the National Park Service at Point Reyes National Seashore. Membership dues support a variety of park programs. The association provides a variety of educational field seminars, summer camp programs, and operates sales outlets in park visitor centers that help fund various park programs. The grant request is for printing the 'Elephant Seal newspaper' to provide the public with information about this recovering species. Information: (415) 663-1200 [www.ptreyes.org](http://www.ptreyes.org)

## ***Tiburon Peninsula Foundation***

The Tiburon Peninsula Foundation works to promote, facilitate, and enhance the quality of life and sense of community on the Tiburon peninsula. The grant request is for plants and materials for ongoing student restoration efforts on Blackies Pasture. Information: (415) 640-4522 [www.tiburonpeninsulafoundation.org](http://www.tiburonpeninsulafoundation.org)

## ***Marin Audubon Society***

Marin Audubon Society was established more than 50 years ago to protect the environment and is also a chapter of the National Audubon Society. Marin Audubon's educational activities focus on birds and other wildlife as well as wildlife habitats. The Society offers regularly scheduled field trips to natural areas focused on bird identification, and monthly programs on natural history topics. The grant request is for revegetation materials for the ongoing Bahia Baylands Restoration. Information: (415) 721-4271 [www.marinaudubon.org](http://www.marinaudubon.org)

### ***Salmon Protection And Watershed Network (SPAWN)***

SPAWN is working to protect endangered salmonids in the Lagunitas Watershed (West Marin/San Geronimo Valley) through public education, and habitat restoration projects including a native plant nursery. The grant request is for native plant nursery supplies and salmon rescue equipment. Information: (415) 663-8590

### ***The Bay Institute***

The Bay Institute was founded in 1981 with the mission of restoring and protecting the San Francisco Bay Estuary to insure adequate habitat for aquatic and terrestrial species of the region. The grant request is for supplies for creek restoration and plantings along Stemple and Walker Creeks through the STRAW (Students and Teachers Restoring a Watershed) program. Information: (415) 878-2929 [www.bay.org](http://www.bay.org)

### ***The Dance Palace Community Center***

The Community Center serves West Marin by providing classes, meeting space, concerts, cultural events, afterschool programs as well as a summer camp. The grant request is for materials for nature study classes during the annual summer camp and science education for the elementary afterschool program. Information: (415) 663-1075 [www.dancepalace.org](http://www.dancepalace.org)

### ***Wildcare***

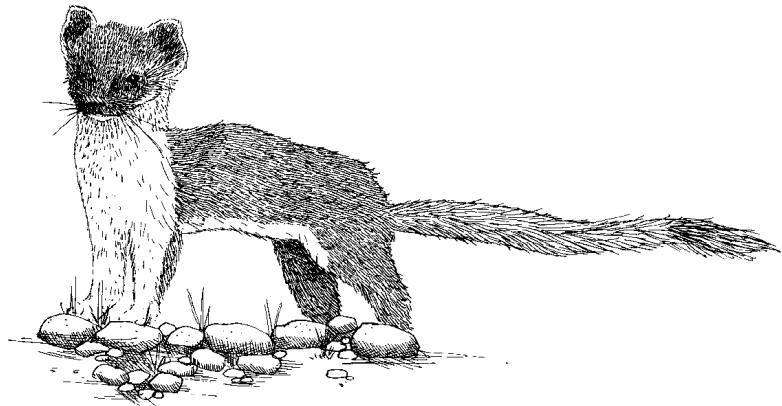
Wildcare/Terwilliger Nature Education and Wildlife Rehabilitation operate a wildlife rehabilitation center for injured animals.

In addition, Terwilliger nature vans travel off-site to dozens of schools throughout the area each year to provide hands on nature education. The grant request is for animal exhibits and to construct and install 20 boxes for "The Hungry Owl Project." Information: (415) 453-1000

## ***Mark Your Calendars! Annual Barbecue***

***Thursday, September 16  
4:30 pm - 7:30pm  
Lagoon Park  
(next to jury parking)***

Marin County's Fish and Wildlife Commission Annual Barbecue. Meet Commission members, grantees, wardens and others associated with Commission activities. Learn more about the Commission grant projects to enhance the fish and wildlife habitat and populations of Marin County.





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### ***Marin County Fish and Wildlife Commission***

The Fish and Wildlife Commission advises the Board of Supervisors on expenditures of funds obtained through fines levied for fish and wildlife violations in Marin County and also funds provided by the Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program. The funds are designated to enhance fish and wildlife resources in the county and for public education. Grant proposals submitted to the Commission Chair are reviewed during the first quarter of any calendar year and recommended on a competitive basis and availability of funds. If approved by the Board of Supervisors, funding becomes available by fall of the same year. The commission can also provide letters of endorsement for projects seeking alternative sources of funding. The commission sponsors an annual barbecue (September 16, 2010) for grantees and community groups.

For applications and deadline information, contact Marin County Fish and Wildlife Commission, U.C. Cooperative Extension, 1682 Novato Boulevard, Suite 150 B, Novato, CA 94947-7021, (415) 499-4204.