

Alhambra Watershed Council Agenda

Tuesday, Nov 4th, 2025

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

ZOOM MEETING LINK:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85237702240?pwd=MEFIRIRMM2dYclRqTHE5T2hnQIRMdz09>

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Attendees: Suzy Hall-Whitney, Mitch Avalon, Evan Green, Igor Skaredoff, Amber Milano, Miranda Shuba, Ryan Schultz, Elaine Jackson, Jamie Menasco, Kristin Tam, Bob Huttar, Jutta Burger, Doug Burgess, Walter Pease

6:30 Introductions and Partner Reports

Fellows introduced themselves

- Plan is to have them as agenda item at January meeting, talk about what they're working on

Friends of Alhambra Creek

- Brianne gave great presentation at last meeting about using drones to monitor invasive vegetation at stormwater outfall pipeline project in Benicia
- Could potentially give presentation to AWC as well
- Talked about visit to Pacheco Marsh to help with weeding
- Suzy talked about her cigarette butt holder grant (MCF)
- Igor: at last Kiwanis meeting the Mayor, some other staff came to talk about
- Mitch: Last news from Trevor McGuire is that they will get funding first for vegetation maintenance downstream of Main, then get the needed permits

National Park Service

Contra Costa Resource Conservation District (CCRCD)

- Scoping Amtrak site for WCB grant with SFEP and SOS Richmond
- Continuing work at Pinole Library on mitigation project for FCD
- Upcoming events (see CCRCD [Events Page](#))

Mt. View Sanitary District

Other member reports

7:00 Discussion Items:

- TEX Project updates
 - Defining project scope with Community Fellow Waverly Lau at 11/3 meeting
 - Met for second time with her this past Monday
 - Described the process of developing our project, getting expert input, how we got to where we are
 - Mitch and Igor discussed potentially developing an assessment of functions for the Watershed
 - Could prioritize which functions should be improved
 - Mitch: would be beneficial to have overarching review or view of functions that the watershed provides (7:35), env services that it provides
 - We look at the functions that the watershed provides, score them
 - Present this idea, project scope to Waverly and see what she thinks
 - Review 2004 Alhambra Watershed Management Plan User's Guide
 - Igor: using holistic approach to create holistic planning document to see if any action fits into the plan
 - Reaching out to FOPCW for advice
- Arundo removal project—permitting process update (Bob Huttar/Jutta Burger)
 - Have received funding from MRC for Arundo removal
 - Identified 5 sites downtown, more upstream
 - Bob recruited a few members of the Council to review his draft of a 1602 LSA Notification (Jamie, Evan)
 - Bob and Jutta presented the idea of adding Pacheco Marsh to the notification area boundary
 - Evan mentioned to check area defined by Friends of San Ramon Creek's notification to prevent overlap
- Local Community Benefits Fund (Benicia, Richmond)—what did we learn from the informational webinar on 10/29?
- Planning for future requests for projects
 - Mitigation projects
 - Supplementary Environmental Projects (SEPs)
 - Developing and organizing Project List
- Vegetation Management between Escobar and Main (behind Roxx on Main)
 - How to facilitate this work with City and CDFW
- LACWMP implementation facilitation

8:00 Adjourn

Action items:

- **Evan to get copy of Chris Lim's email to Trevor McGuire to send to Joe Enke**
- **Evan to put link to ccrd events page in meeting minutes and include link in email sent out with meeting minutes**

- **Jamie, Evan, Elaine, and Mitch to review Bob's draft of the 1602 LSA Notification and provide their comments within one week**
- **Evan to provide Bob with CCRCD's office address for LSA Notification**
- **Evan to provide the Fellows with Bob's draft of the LSA Notification**

The next meeting of the AWC will be on Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025, at 6:30 pm.

For questions regarding the AWC or to suggest agenda items, please email Evan Green at egreen@ccrcd.org

The Alhambra Watershed Council is a stakeholder group dedicated to protecting and enhancing the health of our watershed by educating ourselves and the public about the watershed, providing a forum for new ideas and projects, and acting as a community resource.