

Salmonid Restoration Federation



The Salmonid Restoration Federation was formed in 1986, to help stream restoration practitioners advance the art and science of restoration. Salmonid Restoration Federation promotes restoration, stewardship, and recovery of California native salmon, steelhead, and trout populations through education, collaboration, and advocacy.



*Education
Outreach & Advocacy*



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Members will receive the upcoming SRF newsletter and announcements about restoration funding and training opportunities as well as a discounted rate at our annual conference. For a \$50 membership you will receive a free organic cotton t-shirt with a Ray Troll fish design.

Please select a size: Small Med Large XL XXL (We recommend ordering one size smaller than your usual size.)

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Conference

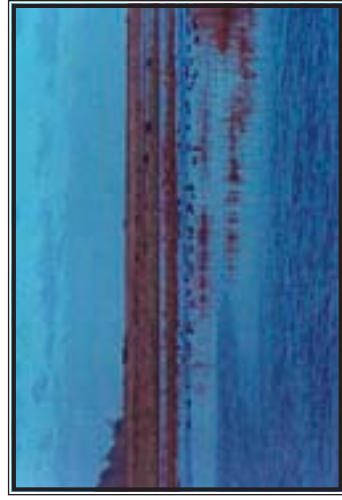
The Salmonid Restoration Federation (SRF) hosts an annual *Salmonid Restoration Conference* in a different region of California each year. The conference highlights regional and topical issues that affect salmonids. The conference includes two days of in-depth technical trainings for restoration practitioners, consultants, agency personnel, landowners, and watershed stewards. The workshops focus on subjects including instream flow requirements, fish passage, water conservation planning, channel morphology, fish-friendly agricultural practices, and other topics of interest to salmon restorationists.



The 22nd Annual Salmonid Restoration Conference included this Global Fisheries Forum which focused on climate change, forestry trends, and international fisheries issues that impact wild salmon.
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Field tours include all-day visits to dynamic, state-of-the-art restoration sites including urban creek restoration projects, upland and instream sites, estuaries, and fish passage and dam removal projects.

Concurrent sessions focus on biological, physical, and policy issues that affect salmonid habitat restoration and recovery of native populations of wild fish. Our plenary session features distinguished keynote speakers including legislators, academics, watershed visionaries, and scientists.



The 2005 SRF Conference will feature a tour of restoration projects around Humboldt Bay, one of the most pristine estuaries in California.
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Reuven Walder of SPAWN leads a workshop teaching skills of fish identification in Lagunitas Creek at the 2004 Coho Confab.
photo by Tracy "Bear" Thealle

Technical Trainings

SRF promotes field schools in different bioregions of the state to teach restorationists, landowners, consultants, watershed and road managers, agency personnel, tribal members, and students about technical skills that can be applied in their projects. Field school subjects include fish-friendly road and culvert practices, bioengineering techniques, instream structures, watershed and project monitoring, and other technical trainings.

SRF is a proud co-sponsor of the *Coho Confab*, an annual event that brings together community members, landowners, activists, scientists, and restoration ecologists in an effort to recover imperiled salmon and steelhead in coastal watersheds. The Confab is a weekend-long symposium with hands-on workshops, project site-tours, and networking time. The workshops are designed to provide participants with innovative restoration field skills and techniques that they can apply to their home watersheds. Favorite workshops have included underwater fish identification, native plant restoration, macroinvertebrate sampling, tours of restoration projects, water quality testing, and effective strategies for watershed groups.

Education, Outreach and Advocacy Programs

SRF provides educational trainings and advocates for habitat protection to preserve, restore, and enhance recovery of self-sustaining populations of salmonids.

SRF recognizes that California's once magnificent runs of wild salmon and steelhead will not be saved by restoration alone. Critical elements for recovery include reform of land use practices, protection of river flows, and identification of key refugia habitats.

Recently, SRF Directors have provided written and oral comments at key public hearings including the California State Legislature, Board of Forestry, Regional and State Water Quality Control Boards, California Fish and Game Commission, County Supervisors, National Marine Fisheries Service, court case hearings, and local watershed groups.

SRF Goals & Objectives:

1. To provide affordable technical and hands-on trainings to the restoration community.
2. Conduct outreach to constituents, media, and students to inform the public about the plight of endangered salmon and the need to preserve and restore habitat to recover the species.
3. Advocate on behalf of continued restoration dollars, protection of habitat, and recovery of imperiled salmonids.

Salmonid Restoration Federation's Education, Outreach, and Advocacy Programs complement each other and help us to achieve our mission of restoring habitat and recovering species while providing resources for the salmonid restoration community.



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SRF will continue to offer field schools focusing on Bioengineering techniques, instream structures, and fish-friendly roads & culverts.