Schedule of Events

Friday, August 25:

12–1 pm: Check-in & Registration at Samuel P. Taylor Park (check www.treesfoundation.org for exact location)
Registration will continue Friday evening and Saturday morning at Clem Miller

2–5 pm: Concurrent Workshops (afternoon sessions)
I. Underwater Fish Identification in Lagunitas Creek with Eric Ettlinger, Aquatic Ecologist of Marin’s Municipal Water District
II. Fish Rescue and Relocation with Salmon Protection and Watershed Network (SPAWN)
III. Coho across the Riverscape: How Migration and Seasonal Habitat Use Reveals Stream Reach-specific Restoration Potential in the Lagunitas Creek Watershed with Matt Sloat, fisheries biologist of Stillwater Sciences

5-7 pm: Check-in and Community Dinner at Clem Miller Facility at Point Reyes National Seashore

7 pm: Confab Opening with Trees Foundation, SRF, and SPAWN

7:30 pm: Opening Prayer and Historical Account of Local Tribes and their Connection to Salmon with Coast Miwok and Southern Pomo representatives from the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria

8 pm: Coho Salmon Empowerment and Local Grassroots Action! with Paola Bouley of SPAWN

8:30 pm: 20-Year Retrospective of Marin County Salmon Restoration Efforts with Lisa Prunuske of Prunuske Chatham Inc.

Saturday, August 26

8–8:30 am: Breakfast Pack lunches for field day. Check-in for Saturday arrivals at Clem Miller Facility at Point Reyes National Seashore

8:30–9:30 am: Opening Circle Workshop announcements and presenter introductions

9:30 am–4:30 pm: Full-day Workshops
I. Giacomini Wetland Restoration Project and Long-Term Monitoring Program with Lorraine Parsons, Wetland Ecologist and Project Manager and Brannon Ketchum, Hydrologist of Point Reyes National Seashore
II. Tour of SPAWN’s Community-based Projects in the San Geromo Valley Including Their New Raincatchment Design Project Plus a Bonus Raingarden Project at the Lagunitas School, a New Bioengineered Bank Stabilization Site and Riparian Reforestation, Native Plant Nursery, a New Land Trust Purchase, and Bioengineering Projects with SPAWN

9:30 am–12:30 pm: Concurrent Workshops (morning sessions)
I. Propagating Native Plants for Ecological Restoration Projects, with Estrella Phegan, Nursery Coordinator of Ecological Services division of Circuit Rider Productions, Inc.
II. Fish Passage Barrier Removal Tools and Resources with Leah Mahan of NOAA Restoration Center, Jon Mann of Prunuske Chatham, Inc., Michael Bowen of Coastal Conservancy, Fishnet 4C, and Martina Koller of Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
III. On Farm Watershed Management: Implementing Practices for Improving Water Quality and Habitat Conservation, with David Lewis of UC Cooperative Extension and Nancy Scolari of Marin Resource Conservation District

1:30–4:30 pm: Concurrent Workshops (afternoon sessions)
I. Tails From a Hidden World—Natural History and Underwater Exploration of Salmonids and Their Habitat, with Maureen Roche of Salmonid Solutions

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Due to limited space, please register by August 20th
By mail, with form & check to:
Trees Foundation PO Box 2202 Redway, CA 95560
By secure web-site: www.treesfoundation.org

Name:
Address:
Phone/Fax/Email:
Group/Organization represented (if applicable):
Organization Address:
Organization Phone/Fax/Email:

Space is extremely limited by the Clem Miller Center to minimize impact to the Point Reyes National Seashore. Therefore we need to know specifically when you will be attending. Please check all that apply:

Days: ❌ Friday ❌ Saturday ❌ Sunday
Nights: ❌ Friday ❌ Saturday

☐ By August 1st $100-$125. ☐ After August 1st or on-site $125-$150. ☐ One day registration available $50.
☐ I can volunteer or do work trade, please call me! ☐ Yes! Please include me on your mailing list.
2. Rapid Bioassessment Monitoring—Stream Health Assessment, with California Bioassessment Pioneer, Jim Harrington of the Sustainable Land Stewardship Institute (SLSI)

3. Field Review of Barrier Assessment, Design, and Removal Techniques with Leah Mahon of NOAA Restoration Center, Jon Mann of Prunuske Chatham, Inc., NOAA Fish Passage Engineer, and Marin County Public Works

5–6:30 pm: Saturday Open Forums and Resource Workshops
1. Recovering California’s Central Coast Salmon and Steelhead under the Federal ESA with Charlotte Ambrose of NMFS North Central California Coast Recovery Coordinator

2. Stories and Songs of Salmon with Dana Lyons, musician, children’s book author, and educator

3. Community Led Estuarine Restoration Projects in California with Gillian O’Doherty of Marine Habitat Specialist with NOAA Restoration Center


7 pm: Saturday night feast provided by Tomales Bay Association

8 pm: Music with troubadour Dana Lyons and other singers and storytellers.

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Sunday, August 15

8:30–10 am: Breakfast Clean cabins and prepare for workshop departure.

10–11 am: Closing Circle

11 am–2 pm: Concurrent Workshops

1. “Tails From a Hidden World”—Natural History and Underwater Exploration of Salmonids and Their Habitat, Maureen Roche of Salmonid Solutions

2. Rapid Bioassessment Monitoring—Stream Health Assessment, with California Bioassessment Pioneer, Jim Harrington of the Sustainable Land Stewardship Institute (SLSI)

3. Bird Response to Riparian Restoration with Point Reyes Bird Observatory

Directions to the Clem Miller Education Facility are available online at www.calsalmon.org or www.treesfoundation.org

The Clem Miller facility advises not to use any internet mapping services because they are incorrect. Please call Trees Foundation at 707/923-4377 if you need us to mail you directions.

If you are interested in carpooling, please contact Trees Foundation.

The lodging at the Clem Miller Facility are shared bunkhouses. The lodge and some bunkhouses are wheelchair accessible. There are a limited number of tent sites available. Priority will be given to families with children and the first requests for tent space that we receive. Please assume that you will be in a bunkhouse unless you receive an email confirmation about a tent site. Whether in a bunk or a tent, you will need to bring your own bedding, including: sleeping bag or blankets, air mattress or sleeping pad, pillow, and a towel. There is a central bathroom building with heated showers. While there are no electrical outlets in the restrooms, there is photo-sensitive lighting.

The Confab price includes workshops, lodging at the Clem Miller facility, and meals Friday dinner through Sunday lunch. There are also many close by lodging options including Point Reyes youth hostel 415/663-8811, and several B & Bs. For more info about lodging options, please visit: http://www.innsofmarin.com/ Please specify if you will be staying at the Clem Miller facility.

Come prepared. Please bring layers of clothes, sunscreen, a sun hat, and sneakers or boots. For the Underwater workshop bring a wetsuit, snorkel, and mask. If you are planning on attending a hands-on workshop please bring work gloves and closed toed shoes.

Families are welcome. Kids program and activities will be offered on Saturday morning.

Confab participants are eligible to apply for the 3rd Annual Reddstart: Healthy Watersheds Mini-Grant to advance a restoration project in their home watershed. Details available at the Confab.

For More Information

Trees Foundation: 707/923-4377 francine@treesfoundation.org www.treesfoundation.org or contact Salmonid Restoration Federation: srf@calsalmon.org www.calsalmon.org

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