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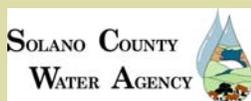
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Napa County Offers Local Watershed Improvement Grants



The “Lake Berryessa Watershed Improvement Program” is the name of the new grant program approved by voters in Napa County through Measure-A in 1999. The intent of Measure A was to provide funding for projects that would protect Napa County citizens and property from 100-year flood damage while improving water supply reliability and the health of the watershed. Up to \$600,000 will be allotted each year for the program, which is being administered by Napa County Flood Protection and Watershed Improvement Authority. The application form can be found [here](#). Applications for the first round of funding were due in December of 2016 . The second round of applications will be due in November of 2017, so start planning ahead!

Small Grants Awarded at September Meeting

During their Regular meeting held in Napa the Coordinating Committee reviewed 8 applications for small grants from organizations in Solano, Lake and Yolo Counties. After review and discussion four awards were made. The Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Committee received \$10,000 for “Weed Removal for Engineering Surveys on Putah Creek.” Putah Creek Council was awarded \$6,030 for their “Adopt-a-Flat” Environmental Education Program and \$5,030 for “Creek Science Investigations.” The Lake County Resource Conservation District was awarded \$17,517 for management of a new, invasive weed in the Clear Lake Watershed: “Goat’s Rue Noxious Weed Management.” \$12,500 was awarded to the Solano Resource Conservation District to support “McCune Watershed Flood Control and Habitat Restoration.” The total awarded for 2016-2017 was \$51,087.60.

2017 Meeting Schedule

March 8 th in Lake County	255 N. Forbes St., Lakeport; Lake County Dept. of Water Resources
May 10 th in Napa County	804 First St., Napa; Napa County Flood Control & Water Conservation District
July 12 th in Solano County	810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Vacaville; Solano County Water Agency
September 13 th in Yolo County	34274 State Hwy 16, Woodland; Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation Dist.
November 8 th in Lake County	255 N. Forbes St., Lakeport; Lake County Dept. of Water Resources

Brownfield Grant Update



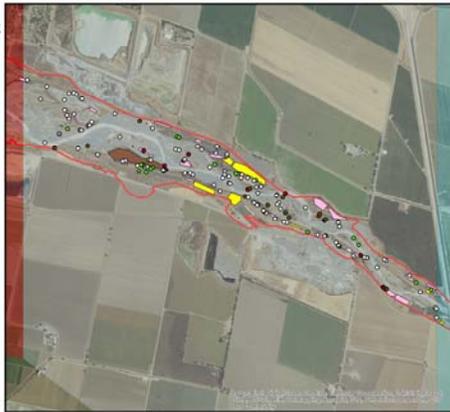
The Brownfield team has been hard at work pulling together information from a range of sources and creating interactive maps showing mine sites, geological and topographic features in the four-county Westside Sac Region. The GIS tool will let you zoom in to local sites and the Prioritization Memo explains which sites in the Putah and Cache Creek Watersheds need to be addressed first. Sites near population centers or on shallow slopes are most likely to qualify for clean-up funds and be prioritized. Check out the newly developed products [here](#).

Two landowner informational meetings have been held — one in Middletown and the other in Calistoga and the first year is wrapping up with 70 potentially viable brownfield sites identified. Most of these sites are in Napa and Lake counties. The next step is to meet with interested landowners and to begin the process of determining which sites to assess. This project is completely voluntary — there are no connections to enforcement. If you are interested in more information visit the Brownfield website at www.westsideirwmbrownfields.org

Successful Completion of Small Grants Program Projects

Invasive Species on the Lower Cache Creek Madison Reach

- CCRMP_Boundary
- Nonnative Points
- Species
 - Arundo
 - Himalayan blackberry
 - Pepperweed
 - Ravenna grass
 - Tamarisk
 - Tree tobacco
- Nonnative Patches
- Species
 - Arundo
 - Hemlock
 - Himalayan blackberry
 - Pepperweed
 - Tamarisk
 - Thistles
 - Tree tobacco
 - Yellow starthistle



At their January meeting the Westside Sac IRWM Coordinating Committee received oral and written reports on two projects that they funded under their Small Grants Program — the “Lower Cache Creek Invasive Species Mapping and Prioritization Project” and the “Putah Creek Council Fall Creek Cleanup 2016.”

The mapping project used aerial photos and ground-truthing to locate and size patches of tamarisk, arundo, Ravenna grass, perennial pepperweed and other im-

portant weeds within the Cache Creek Resource Management Plan Area to use in future weed management activities. More details are available [here](#).

The Putah Creek Fall Cleanup focused on sites near Winters and Davis and was a tremendous success. They had 30 Site Captains and 138 community volunteers who cleaned up 4,141 pounds of trash and recyclables out of the creek. For a brief report, click [here](#).

