

18th Annual Yuba River Cleanup Site Information

Saturday, September 19, 2015

9 am to 1 pm – Cleanup and Restoration Projects

**1 pm to 4 pm – Volunteer appreciation celebration at the
South Yuba River State Park at Bridgeport**

Please contact Jenn Tamo or Andrew Collins-Anderson for more information about the event: jenn@syrccl.org or andrew@syrccl.org or (530) 265-5961 ext. 201

Note: Sites are listed in alphabetical order with directions and special notes if applicable. The restoration projects are listed at the end of the document.

Cleanup Sites

49 Crossing

Number of Volunteers Needed: 40

Directions: Take Hwy 49 from Nevada City north towards Downieville. Drive about 6 miles and park in the lot prior to the bridge crossing.

Important Site Information: One of the easiest sites to drive to and a very popular recreation area. There are numerous secluded swimming areas upstream surrounded by large granite rocks. Lots of bouldering, poison oak. [Click](#) for map.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: State Parks and BLM



Photo: Jeff Litton

Bear River 174

Number of Volunteers Needed: 15

Directions: Take Hwy 174 towards Colfax parking lot on the left (before bridge that crosses the Bear River). [Click](#) for map.

Register to volunteer: YUBARIVER.ORG

Important Site Information: Along the Bear River at HWY 174 there is a relatively easy trail for hiking, approximately two miles downstream. Several smaller trails branch off to the river for swimming, fishing, or just relaxing. Park at the bridge parking lot. This site may not be appropriate for small children.

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: Bear River

Bear River Dog Bar

Lead Partner Organization: Bear River Key Club

Number of Volunteers Needed: 5

Directions: Take Hwy 49 south to Mcknight exit. Make a left and an immediate right onto LaBarr Meadows Road. Continue south on LaBarr Meadows Road, and then take a left onto Dog Bar Road and continue on Dog Bar Road until you reach the bridge crossing over Bear River. [Click](#) for map.



Important Site Information: Limited parking along the road. This site is mostly covered by the Bear River Key Club. The Dog Bar Road Bridge spanning over the Bear River was built in 1935 and was widened in 2000. The Bear River at this junction is wide and shallow with lush vegetation lining its banks.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Bear River

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Bridgeport

Lead Partner Organization: South Yuba River State Park

Number of Volunteers Needed: 40

Directions: Take Hwy 20 West to Pleasant Valley Road. Turn right and continue 8 miles down the road until you reach South Yuba River State Park. [Click](#) for map.



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Important Site Information: Bridgeport, located a half-hour's drive downstream from Nevada City, is the headquarters of the South Yuba River State Park and the site of the longest single-span covered bridge in the U.S. Easy walking available.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: CA State Parks

Link to [Bridgeport Trails](#)

Deer Creek Champion Mine Rd.

Lead Partner Organization: Champion Mine Homeowners Association

Number of Volunteers Needed: 20

Directions: Take Hwy 49 north towards Downieville and turn left at the Willow Restaurant onto Newtown Road. Continue until you reach Champion Mine Road on your left and park there at the junction. [Click](#) for map.



Important Site Information: Old Downieville Hwy, the Tribute Trail and Champion Mine Rd. are situated in a beautiful wooded neighborhood near Nevada City. Champion Mine Rd. is adjacent to the Tribute Trail.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Deer Creek

City: Nevada City

Deer Creek Downtown

Lead Partner Organization: Sierra Streams Institute

Number of Volunteers Needed: 15

Directions: Your Site Leader will contact you with directions.

Register to volunteer: YUBARIVER.ORG

Important Site Information: Group will split up and clean several areas near and around Deer Creek in Nevada City.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Deer Creek

City: Nevada City

Deer Creek Falls

Number of Volunteers Needed: 8

Directions: Your Site Leader will contact you with directions.

Important Site Information: Volunteers will do graffiti removal and cleanup trash. The site has a steep hillside to access creek with rocky scramble, hiking boots and steady footing needed.

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: Deer Creek



Deer Creek Pioneer Park

Number of Volunteers Needed: 15

Directions: Take Boulder Street from downtown Nevada City one block and make your first right onto Park Avenue and continue a few blocks. Make a right onto Max Solaro Drive and park in parking lot. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: Locals and visitors alike enjoy Pioneer Park as it is a welcoming place for families, friends and neighbors to congregate.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Deer Creek

City: Nevada City

Register to volunteer: YUBARIVER.ORG

Donner Summit

Lead Partner Organization: Donner Summit Area Association

Number of Volunteers Needed: 25

Directions: Take Hwy 20 East 27 miles from Nevada City to Hwy 80 East, and continue 12 miles. Take the Donner Pass Rd/Donner Summit Rd. exit and turn right onto Donner Pass Rd/Donner Summit Rd. (signs for Soda Springs). Continue 0.5 miles and arrive at the Soda Springs General Store. Park in the large parking lot by the store. [Click](#) for map.



Important Site Information: Cleaning will take place from Van Norden Meadow downstream in the river bed and alongside the riverbed.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: South Yuba River Headwaters

Edwards Crossing

Lead Partner Organization: Bureau of Land Management

Number of Volunteers Needed: 30

Directions: Take Hwy 49 to North Bloomfield Rd and continue up to the T. Make a right continuing on N. Bloomfield for approximately 5 miles down to the river. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: A beautiful scenic part of Nevada County with multiple trails close to the South Yuba and South Yuba River Campground. Lots of people come to Edward's Crossing in the summer to swim under the bridge or nearby.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: BLM and State Parks

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Englebright Lake

Lead Partner Organization: Army Corps of Engineers

Number of Volunteers Needed: 30

Directions: Take Hwy. 20 West to Mooney Flat Rd. (approximately 5 miles west of Penn Valley). Take a right on Mooney Flat and then a Left on Englebright Dam Rd. The Narrows Rec. area is at the end of Englebright Dam Rd. [Click](#) for map.



Photo: Alanna McDermott

Important Site Information: You will be escorted in Army Corps of Engineer boats to bring you to beaches all around Englebright Lake for cleanup. Please bring your own life jackets and buckets. This lake is unique because of the boat-in nature of the campgrounds. Beachy campsites are located in the upper part of the lake. The lake shoreline is steep and rocky with a private rural feel to it, but there are sandy beaches with pines and oaks at some campgrounds

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Includes all three forks of the Yuba

Photos: Thomas Dunklin (1) Alanna McDermott (2)

Foote's Crossing

Lead Partner Organization: Synergia Learning Ventures

Number of Volunteers Needed: 10

Directions: Your Site Leader will contact you with directions.

Important Site Information: Wear long pants and good hiking shoes as there is hiking involved at this site. There are large items to remove so volunteers need to be able to carry the trash up the trail to the trucks for removal.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Middle Fork Yuba River



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Hwy 20 Overlook

Number of Volunteers Needed: 5

Directions: Take Hwy 20 East 13 miles from Nevada City. The overlook is on your left just before the turn for Washington Rd. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: A majestic view of the surrounding canyons and Sierra Buttes to the North. Rocky bluffs and sweeping vistas are breathtaking.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Jones Bar

Lead Partner Organization: California State Parks

Number of Volunteers Needed: 10

Directions: Take Hwy 49 North for roughly 2 miles. Park at the intersection of Newtown Road and Hwy 49. We will then take two 4WD vehicles down to Jones Bar. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: Volunteers will need to hike large amounts of trash some distance. Please be prepared with good hiking shoes and strong gloves.

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: California State Parks

Langs Crossing

Lead Partner Organization: The Sierra Club: Sierra Nevada Group

Number of Volunteers Needed: 25

Directions: Take Hwy 20 East from Nevada City about 20 miles. Make a left on Bowman Lake Rd. Continue 2-3 miles and park at bridge where the road crosses the South Yuba River. [Click](#) for map.



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Important Site Information: Langs Crossing is off of Bowman Lake Road in the high Sierras where granite outcroppings and thick pine forests abound. There will be some bouldering difficult trails at this site.

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: South Yuba River

North Yuba

Number of Volunteers Needed: 10

Directions: Your Site Leader will contact you with directions.

Important Site Information: You can either pick up trash going upstream on the North Yuba headed towards Downieville or you can help remove large pieces of metal from the river. Some volunteers will be working all day and not just the morning.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: North Fork of the Yuba River

Oregon Creek

Lead Partner Organization: Tahoe National Forest

Number of Volunteers Needed: 18

Directions: Take Hwy 49 North towards North San Juan. After crossing through the town descend towards the Middle Yuba River. Immediately after the bridge take a right and park. [Click](#) for map.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Middle Yuba River

Land Owner: Tahoe National Forest

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Parks Bar

Lead Partner Organization: Gold Country Fly Fishers

Number of Volunteers Needed: 50

Directions: Take Hwy 20 West towards Marysville. After you cross the bridge over the Yuba River, turn left and head down to the river to park. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: At a lower elevation - Parks Bar is located close by Penn Valley. Volunteers travel by vehicle to different locations near this site to find trash.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Lower Yuba River



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Purdon Crossing

Lead Partner Organization: Friends of Purdon Crossing

Number of Volunteers Needed: 25

Directions: Take North Bloomfield Rd. out of Nevada City. Continue up the hill and at the T, turn left onto Lake Vera/Purdon Road until you reach the South Yuba River. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: Purdon Crossing's popularity as a swimming and camping site and proximity to Nevada City contributes to the amount of trash at this site.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: State Parks and BLM



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Rice's Crossing

Lead Partner Organization: Bear Yuba Land Trust

Number of Volunteers Needed: 8

Directions: Volunteers meet at the Nevada County Rood Center at 8:30am. From there, volunteers will caravan to the cleanup site. It is a 35 minute drive from the Rood Center to the cleanup site.

Important Site Information: The site is on a steep hill and there are several heavy items to remove.



Photo: Ed Rotberg

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: North Yuba River

Land Owner: Bear Yuba Land Trust

Round Mountain

Number of Volunteers Needed: 20

Directions: Take North Bloomfield Rd. out of Nevada City. Continue up the hill and at the T, turn left onto Lake Vera/Purdon Road until you reach the South Yuba River. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: This site has a two mile long hike to the Round Mountain Trail. Physically fit volunteers

with sturdy hiking shoes are needed for this site. There are many abandoned camp sites in this area which includes a lot of trash.



Photo: Andreas Groos

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: BLM

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Washington

Number of Volunteers Needed: 10

Directions: Take Hwy 20 East towards Hwy 80 about 12 miles. Turn left onto the Washington Rd. and continue about 6 miles. Cross the bridge and meet just beyond the bridge. From this point, you will be separated into different groups to continue driving possibly to other locations. [Click](#) for map.



Photo: Jenn Tamo

Important Site Information: Please wear good hiking boots for some of these sites as you will be bouldering in un-shaded areas. This little town is located on the banks of the South Fork of the Yuba River with many visitors during the summer months.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: South Yuba River

City: Washington

Land Owner: Tahoe National Forest

Wolf Creek at Idaho Maryland Rd.

Lead Partner Organization: Wolf Creek Community Alliance

Number of Volunteers Needed: 15

Directions: Take Hwy 49/20 South towards Grass Valley. Exit at Idaho Maryland Rd. exit and take your first right at the roundabout onto Idaho Maryland Rd. Continue past two stop signs and park in Turnout before Centennial Drive. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: At this site volunteers will be removing trash from the side of Idaho Maryland Road. Traffic vests will be provided.

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: Wolf Creek

City: Grass Valley

Register to volunteer: YUBARIVER.ORG

Wolf Creek at North Star Mine

Partner Organization: Wolf Creek Community Alliance

Number of Volunteers Needed: 20

Directions: Take Hwy 49 north or south to the Hwy 20 West towards Marysville. Continue on Hwy 20 and take Mill Street exit. At the stop sign, turn right onto Mill St. and go under the bridge. Continue straight through the next stop sign and park on the left in the Northstar Mine parking lot. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: There are blackberries and poison oak in some of the areas. Volunteers at this site may split up into two groups with one group heading further downstream and one group remaining on the trail near the museum.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: Wolf Creek

City: Grass Valley



Photo: Geri Stout

Restoration Site Info

Bennet St. Meadow

Lead Partner Organization: California State Parks

Number of Volunteers Needed: 20

Directions: Take Hwy 49 South and take the Brunswick exit. Turn left, travel over the freeway and continue until then a right on Bennet Street. Continue until Byer's Leaf Guard sign, go until the end and park on the right. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: Please wear good work shoes, long sleeves and long pants.

Kid Friendly: Yes



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Creek or River: Wolf Creek

City: Grass Valley

Land Owner: California State Parks

Edwards Restoration

Lead Partner Organization: Bureau of Land Management

Number of Volunteers Needed: 12

Directions: Take North Bloomfield Road approximately 7 miles to where the road crosses the South Yuba River. Park on the south side of the river. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: Please wear good work shoes, long sleeves and long pants.

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: BLM

Jones Bar

Lead Partner Organization: California State Parks

Number of Volunteers Needed: 10

Directions: Take Hwy 49 North for roughly 2 miles. Park at the intersection of Newtown Road and Hwy 49. We will then take two 4WD vehicles down to Jones Bar. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: Please wear good work shoes, long sleeves and long pants.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: California State Parks

Register to volunteer: YUBARIVER.ORG

Kentucky Ravine

Lead Partner Organization: California State Parks

Number of Volunteers Needed: 20

Directions: Take Hwy 49 South out of Nevada City, once in Grass Valley area turn west on Hwy 20 towards Marysville. Travel 7 miles and turn right on Pleasant Valley Rd. Park at South Yuba River State Park at Bridgeport near the Kneebone graveyard. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: Please wear good work shoes, long sleeves and long pants.

Kid Friendly: Yes

Creek or River: South Yuba River

Land Owner: California State Parks



Oregon Creek

Lead Partner Organization: Tahoe National Forest

Number of Volunteers Needed: 10

Directions: Take Hwy 49 North towards North San Juan. After passing through the town, descend towards the Middle Yuba River. Immediately after the bridge take a right and park. [Click](#) for map.

Important Site Information: Please wear good work shoes, long sleeves and long pants.

Kid Friendly: No

Creek or River: Middle Yuba River

Land Owner: Tahoe National Forest

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