



Alpine Watershed Group 2018 Volunteer Opportunities

Recurring Opportunities – some training required, provided by AWG

Water Monitoring Season Kickoff – Monitor Training on Tuesday, May 29th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm – Sign up to RSVP for the in-house training. Once trained, monitors will then shadow experienced monitors for their first one or two monitoring events. When ready, they will be assigned their own site. We send teams out to monitor water quality at 8 sites throughout the Carson River watershed. If you are interested in participating in this program, we ask that you attend at least 2 of the remaining ambient monitoring events in 2018:

- Saturday, March 10 (past)
- Sunday, June 10
- Saturday, August 11
- Saturday, September 15

NEW: Grover Project Team – We are also looking to build a Grover Project Team in 2018. We are supporting California State Parks' project to build a handicap-accessible interpretive trail around the meadow at Grover Hot Springs State Park. While there will be some stream restoration and trail decommissioning work, we need to tackle invasive weeds so they do not spread throughout the meadow while State Parks is building the new trail. We are looking for teams of 2-4 volunteers who can visit Grover 2-3 times between April and July 2018 (dates to be scheduled depending on Team availability) to remove weeds by hand and/or with a gas-powered weed whacker. In addition to weeds, we will also be tackling the trail decommissioning and stream head cut repair. This work will consist of several scattered work days between May and July 2018.

Photo Monitoring

Photo point monitoring consists of repeated photography of an area of interest over time. It is an effective way to monitor vegetation and ecosystem changes. In Hope Valley, photo monitoring is used to track the change resulting from the restoration projects of 2015 and 2016 on the West Fork Carson River. Sixteen photo points are used to track restoration activity. Over time photos are compiled to provide a visual record of project success. Going forward, volunteers and staff will periodically replicate the photos to gauge long term effectiveness of restoration projects. Photos will be taken four times a year to capture seasonal changes in water level. Each site visitation takes a few hours to capture. Inquire for more info on dates, if interested.

One-Time Opportunities – no training required

19th Annual Markleeville Creek Day – Saturday, September 8, 9 am – 2 pm at various locations in Alpine County – Each year this event allows for the completion of important watershed restoration work. Volunteers are needed to help complete projects throughout the East and West Carson Watersheds including plantings, stream bank stabilization, invasive weed removal, protective tree wrapping, and storm drain stenciling. All are welcome to attend. No experience is necessary.

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