



SPAWNERS

San Pablo Watershed Neighbors Education and Restoration Society

Watershed

n. An area of land that channels rainfall and snowmelt to creeks, streams, and rivers, and eventually to outflow points such as reservoirs, bays, and the ocean.

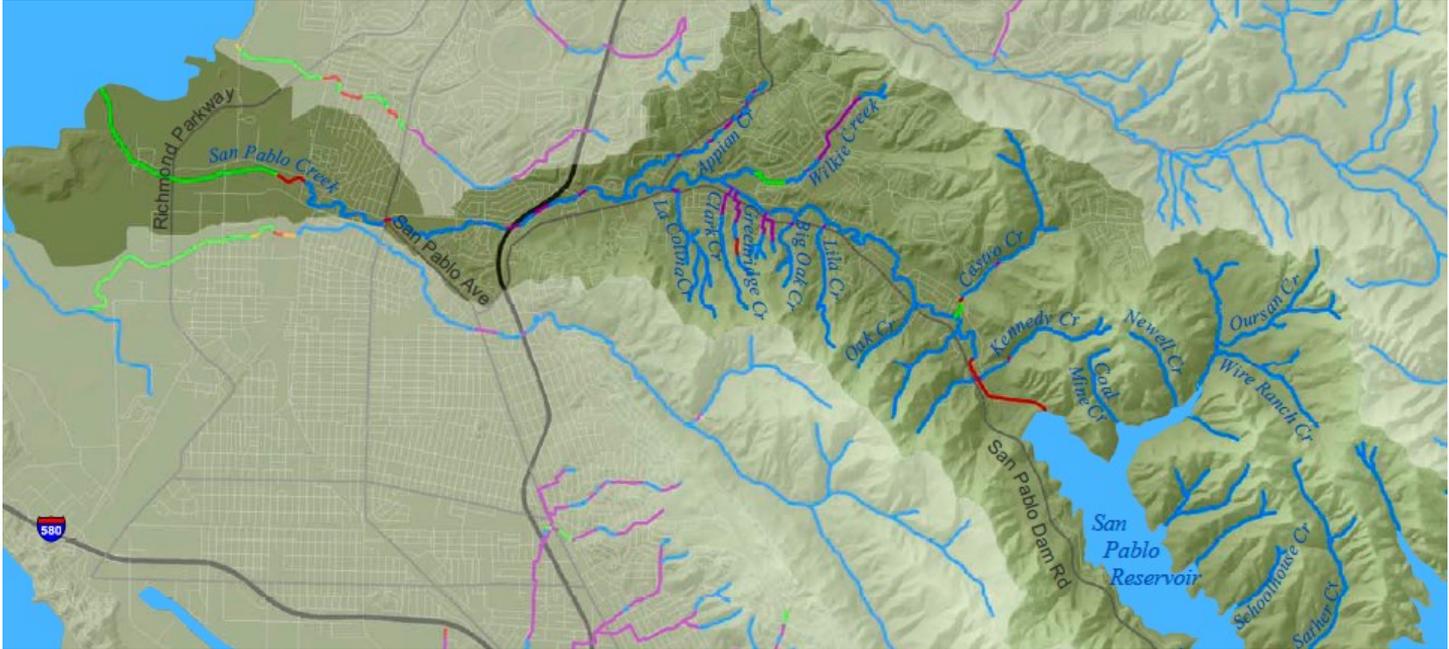
An Introduction to SPAWNERS

Founded in 2000, SPAWNERS' mission is to protect the San Pablo Creek Watershed and inspire community appreciation and stewardship through advocacy, education, and habitat restoration.

Our vision is:

- A community that understands the value of our creeks and is equipped with the knowledge to care for their health.
- A community that actively engages in hands-on stewardship activities such as restoration, community science, and educational workshops.
- A community that integrates watershed protection into their daily habits.
- Intact habitat from the ridges to the bay.
- Clean flowing water for fish, wildlife, and people.

Where Is the San Pablo Creek Watershed?



San Pablo Creek creates a ribbon of green wilderness that flows through the communities of El Sobrante, San Pablo, and Richmond, connecting the hills to San Pablo Bay and San Francisco Bay.



Above: San Pablo Creek Dam in Orinda
Right: San Pablo Creek further downstream



Appian Creek



Castro Creek



Wilkie Creek





Why Watershed Restoration Matters

- **Ensures access to clean, healthy freshwater for...**
 - i. Drinking, food production, wildlife, and recreation
- **Manages the flow of stormwater**
 - i. Prevents floods by boosting permeable surfaces
 - 1. One inch of rainfall on one acre = [27,154 gallons of water!](#)
 - ii. Filters pollutants from urban runoff
- **Protects & restores local ecosystems**
 - i. Provides habitat for fish, pollinating insects, and other wildlife
 - ii. Mitigates erosion and sediment deposits in waterways
- **Boosts climate resiliency**
 - i. More marshland = more buffer for rising sea levels!

El Sobrante Demonstration Garden





Breaking ground at
The El Sobrante Library

Wilkie Creek Outdoor Classroom





Sheldon at Wilkie, 2019



Waldorf at Wilkie, 2019

Care For Your Local Creeks!

- Join SPAWNERS for our volunteer work days
 - We meet at Wilkie Creek **every 3rd Saturday of the month** from **9:30 am-noon**
 - Tools, refreshments, and water are always provided
- Attend **Earth Day 2022**
- Visit **spawners.org** to find out about other upcoming events :)

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY!

94803 COMMUNITY & CREEK CLEANUP

SAT. APRIL 23, 9:30 AM – 1 PM



Volunteer Activities

9:30 AM – 1 PM

- Trash pick-up
- Creek cleanup
- Gardening at the library

Community Celebration

1 – 3 PM

- Community info tables
- Children's activities
- Food, drinks, & music

Registration starts at 9:30 AM at the El Sobrante Library

4191 Appian Way, El Sobrante, CA 94803



To pre-register or for more information, visit:
<https://www.spawners.org> or [KeepElSobranteBeautiful.info](https://www.KeepElSobranteBeautiful.info)

