



State of the Bay 2010: A Conference about Tomales Bay and its Watershed



Day One - Friday, October 22, 2010

Day 2 - Saturday, October 23, 2010

- 8:30 a.m. **Registration and Coffee**
- 9:00 a.m. **Keynote Address by the Honorable Jared Huffman**
California State Assembly, 6th District and Chair, Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee
- 9:45 a.m. **Overview of the Last Decade of Ecological Research on Tomales Bay**
Dr. Ben Becker, Director and Marine Ecologist, Pacific Coast Learning Center, Point Reyes National Seashore
- 10:15 a.m. **Impacts of Ocean Acidification and Climate Change on Estuarine and Coastal Organisms**
Dr. Ann Russell, Associate Research Scientist, Department of Geology, University of California at Davis
- 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 11:00 a.m. **Species of Local Interest**
Mr. Tom Gardali, Associate Director, Terrestrial Ecology Division, PRBO Conservation Science
- 11:30 a.m. **Invasive Plants and their Impact on the Watershed**
Ms. Andrea Williams, Vegetation Ecologist, Marin Municipal Water District
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. **Status of Salmonids and Efforts for Restoration in the Watershed**
Mr. Eric Eitlinger, Aquatic Ecologist, Marin Municipal Water District
Mr. Michael Reichmuth, Fishery Biologist, National Park Service San Francisco Bay Area Network Inventory and Monitoring Program
- 1:45 p.m. **Pinnipeds in the Bay**
Dr. Sarah Allen, Senior Scientist, Point Reyes National Seashore
- 2:15 p.m. **Tomales Bay Oceanography and how Climate Change may Alter Bay Environments**
Dr. John Largier, Professor, Coastal Ecology University of California at Davis
- 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- 3:00 p.m. **Oil Spill Response in California**
Dr. Kathleen Jennings, Staff Environmental Scientist, California Department of Fish and Game, Office of Spill Prevention and Response
- 3:30 p.m. **Invasive Marine Species in Tomales Bay**
Dr. Ted Grosholtz, Professor and Swanz Chair in Cooperative Extension, University of California at Davis
- 4:00 p.m. **The Tomales Bay Vessel Management Plan**
Dr. Dominique Richard, Chair, Tomales Bay Working Group, Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary
- 4:15 p.m. **Break for Day and Refreshments**

- 8:30 a.m. **Registration and Coffee**
- 9:00 a.m. **County Efforts to Protect Water Quality and Improve Habitat**
The Honorable Steve Kinsey
Marin County Board of Supervisors
- 9:20 a.m. **Dealing with Failing Septic Systems in the Watershed**
Ms. Liza Crosse, Aide to Steve Kinsey
Mr. George Clyde, East Shore Planning Group
- 9:45 a.m. **Water Quality in the Bay and Watershed: What we have learned from Monitoring**
Mr. Rob Carson, Tomales Bay Watershed Council, Water Quality Program Manager
- 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 a.m. **Point Reyes National Seashore Efforts at Habitat Restoration**
Ms. Cecily Muldoon, Superintendent, Point Reyes National Seashore
- 11:00 a.m. **Giacomini Wetlands Restoration**
Ms. Lorraine Parsons, Vegetation Ecologist and Giacomini Wetlands Restoration and Project Manager, Point Reyes National Seashore
- 11:30 a.m. **Shorebirds Status: Response to Wetlands Restoration**
Dr. John Kelly, Director of Conservation Science and Resource Protection, Audubon Canyon Ranch Cypress Grove Research Center
- 12:00 p.m. **Overall Bird-use in Response to Wetland Restoration: Years 1 & 2**
Mr. Jules Evens, Principal, Avocet Research Associates and Research Associate, PRBO Conservation Science
- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:30 p.m. **Thirty Years of Preserving Agricultural Land in West Marin**
Mr. Robert Berner, Executive Director, Marin Agricultural Land Trust
- 1:45 p.m. **Marin Farmers and Ranchers Conserving the Tomales Bay Watershed**
Mr. David Lewis, Director, Univ. of California Cooperative Extension Marin
Ms. Nancy Scolari, Executive Director, Marin Resource Conservation District
- 2:30 p.m. **Chicken Ranch Beach Restoration Plan**
Ms. Neysa King, Coordinator, Tomales Bay Watershed Council
Mr. Greg Kamman, Kamman Hydrology and Engineering
- 3:00 p.m. **Protecting Salmon Habitat**
Mr. Chris Van Schaack, Land Steward, Turtle Island Restoration Network
- 3:15 p.m. **What Comes Next? Wrap up and Call to Action**
Ms. Neysa King, Coordinator, Tomales Bay Watershed Council
- 3:30 p.m. **Adjourn and Refreshments**