

A Tale of Two Projects— Connected by a Frog



Rana draytonii, The California Red-Legged Frog

Lauren Sommer/KQED

Question: What does **Lawson's Landing Resort** in Dillon Beach have in common with the planned widening of Highway 101 through the **Marin-Sonoma Narrows**?
Answer: A frog!...

...specifically, habitat for the **California Red-Legged Frog** made famous in Mark Twain's "Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County." This frog is found almost entirely in California. In addition to a few isolated areas in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada, the frog inhabits freshwater marshes, drainages and streams in the Northern and Southern Coast Ranges. As wetland and riparian habitats have disappeared so has the frog, which is listed as Threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act. It is now absent from more than 70 percent of its former range, and continues to decline, in large part due to habitat loss and fragmentation, overgrazing, contamination, mosquito abatement, and

other environmental threats. Amphibian species worldwide are under severe stress.

While both the Lawson's Landing and Narrows projects have been on MCL's radar screen for years, the connection was not evident until last year. CalTrans began preliminary design and work on an Environmental Impact Report/Statement for the Marin-Sonoma Narrows Widening Project in 2006. MCL followed the project closely during the next two years. The conditions for habitat of the California Red-Legged Frog were present in the study area, although no frogs were cited during surveys. The EIR concluded that breeding habitat was not present and foraging and dispersal habitat was marginal. Nonetheless, the EIR also determined that 203.78 acres of suitable habitat would be permanently lost by the widening, and 3.16 acres would be

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Volunteers Needed to Help Save State Parks!

Marin Conservation League, in cooperation with the California State Parks Foundation and other conservation organizations, is seeking volunteers to participate in a signature-gathering campaign to qualify an important statewide ballot measure for the November 2010 ballot. This initiative, called the "California State Parks and Wildlife Trust Fund Act of 2010," would create a new, reliable and stable source of funding for California's State Parks by imposing an annual \$18 State Parks Access Pass surcharge on all California vehicle registrations. Vehicles paying this annual surcharge would then be allowed free day-use of all parks. Currently, park users are charged up to \$15 per vehicle for day use.

On January 12 from 7:00–9:00 pm MCL will hold a Volunteer Training Session for signature-gatherers at the MCL office at 1623-A Fifth Avenue in San Rafael. Go to marinconservationleague.org/events or call 415-485-6257 to pre-register.

At present, the state parks are funded from California's general fund, a system which, in recent years has led to chronic underfunding, service cutbacks and park

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In the previous News (Nov./Dec. 2009) we wrote about a number of land use projects that have occupied MCL's attention for years if not decades. Some of these stories will have less than satisfactory outcomes from MCL's

perspective. Permits likely will be granted for outrageous (in our view) projects, like Easton Point on the Tiburon Peninsula. Or concessions will be made in the name of "mitigation," as is likely with the next phase of the LucasFilm complex, on Grady Ranch in Lucas Valley.

Occasionally what appears to be an unbridgeable gap between the expectations of an applicant and the constraints of policy and environment begins to close, revealing a solution that seemed out of reach. The cliché "win-win" comes to mind, although I am generally skeptical of that facile claim, having seen the environment lose in too many instances. Nonetheless, a win-win may be possible at Lawson's Landing. What began as a protracted, ten-year campaign to bring that popular, decades-old, family-run RV resort in the northwest corner of the county – that just happens to include some of the most remarkable biological resources on the Pacific Coast! – into compliance with myriad

County codes and plan policies appears to be moving in that direction! (See story on Page 1.) CalTrans needs a mitigation site for the Threatened California Red-Legged Frog, whose habitat will be sacrificed by the widening of Highway 101 through the Marin-Sonoma Narrows; Lawson's Landing can provide that site. If negotiations with CalTrans are successful, this mitigation measure will provide the key component for long-term protection of a substantial portion (204 acres) of the dunes ecosystem at Lawson's Landing. Even if those negotiations do not yield success, the frog has served as the catalyst for bringing together the expertise and potential funding assistance of public resource agencies and private conservation interests to begin assembling a plan for protection of much of the dune ecosystem – possibly 400 acres total – that the Lawson family was ill-equipped to manage on its own.

More hurdles lie ahead. The California Coastal Commission must consider the Lawsons' permit application in 2010. As-

sembling easement agreements, securing stable funding, preparing a management plan, ensuring long-term scientific oversight – all of these take the efforts of many people, including the Lawsons themselves, when a **confrontational process becomes truly collaborative**. Primary credit must go to Catherine Caufield, however, who long ago recognized the threat of unregulated camping on the unique values of the dunes and wetlands, and, as then-Executive Director of Environmental Action Committee of West Marin (EAC), initiated and persisted in the campaign to get the County to enforce its own codes. Her goals to remove camping from wetlands and wetland buffers, clean-up pollutant sources such as leaking septic systems, and accomplish long-term protection of the dune ecosystem are in the process of being met. MCL, Marin Audubon Society, Audubon Canyon Ranch, California Native Plant Society, Sierra Club, and EAC (since Catherine's "retirement") are among those who are continuing to support these worthy goals.

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closures. For the past two years, the state's budget crisis has led the state park system to the brink of being shut down. The Trust Fund being proposed would provide approximately \$500 million each year to the state park system and other state wildlife and ocean protection conservancies. These dedicated funds would be independently audited and could not be siphoned off by state legislators for other uses. (Visit calparks.org for specific details of the initiative.)

MCL, which was responsible for helping acquire many of the County's open space lands for State Parks, believes strongly that the state park system is a priceless public asset and a critical legacy to future generations of Californians, as well as a valuable source of revenue to local communities.

Salmon Plan Meeting Scheduled for Jan. 21

A second community meeting on the **San Geronimo Valley Salmon Enhancement Plan (SEP)** is planned for Thursday, January 21 at 7:00 pm at the Lagunitas School multi-purpose room. The final draft of the SEP, which is the result of an early 2008 agreement between the County and Salmon Protection and Watershed Network (SPAWN), was made available for public review on Dec. 23, 2009. The SEP will then go before the Board of Supervisors on Feb. 9, 2010.

The SEP calls for a scientific review to determine the cumulative effects of human activities on the health of the endangered salmonid populations in San Geronimo and Lagunitas Creeks, and presents recommendations for reducing damaging effects and restoring the health of the watershed. MCL submitted specific comments on the Plan on Oct. 23, 2009, recommending better control of sediment-carrying runoff and implementation of simple but enforce-

able ordinances, including an effective Riparian Tree Ordinance. (The full text of MCL's comments is posted on MCL's website at www.marinconservationleague.org/advocacy.)

A previous community meeting, held last October, was attended by several hundred people. It was contentious, however, and pertinent information was left on the table. **MCL urges all interested citizens who are concerned about the welfare of the salmon habitat to review the existing conditions report and the SEP Final Draft (go to www.marinwatersheds.org for both documents) and to attend the upcoming meeting.** MCL hopes the meeting will be carefully moderated and that the efforts of the County will produce protections for the habitat that are firm and enforceable as well as collaborative.



Open Space Trail Access Up For Discussion

On November 3, 2009, the Board of Supervisors held a well-publicized workshop seeking ways to resolve trail access and user conflict issues on the Marin County Open Space District's (MCOSD) 16,000 acres of Open Space Preserves. The workshop at Marin Center was convened at the request of Supervisors Charles McGlashan and Steve Kinsey and attracted a crowd of more than 100. McGlashan has stated publicly that more single-track trails, currently limited to hikers and equestrians, should be opened to the sizeable community of mountain bikers, who feel excluded under current MCOSD restrictions. (For additional information on the workshop, go to www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/PK/main/).

Trail conflicts are not new, nor are they

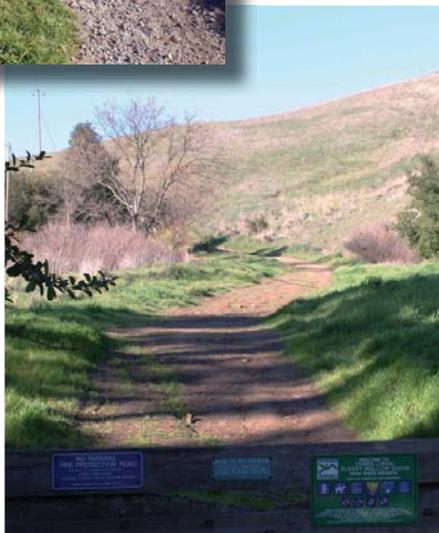


Under current rules, bikes and off-leash dogs are not allowed on most single-track trails (above) in the OSD, but are allowed on fire roads (right.) These rules have proven difficult to enforce.

Photos by Dru Parker

unique to Marin— they are part of the business of managing public open space. Marin may be unusual in its extent and variety of public lands, however. After all, it was hikers from around the Bay who flocked to Mt. Tamalpais every weekend and initiated the first state park in the early years of the last century. The equestrian community also has deep roots, especially in West Marin. Furthermore, Marin (Mt. Tam) is considered to be the "Mother" of mountain biking, and, as such, attracts mountain bikers from all over the country. Its popularity (mountain bikers are now the second-largest trail user group in the country, after hikers, according to the Outdoor Industry Council) has been promoted, in part, by an industry that also finances a vigorous lobby. Active organizations like International Mountain Bike Association and Access4Bikes, among others, employ lobbyists who are in constant contact with federal, state, and county public land managers, urging more access to single-tracks. With cross-country recreational biking have come freeriding, technical and downhill challenges that are totally unsuited for fragile narrow trails or for the safety of those on foot or horseback. To complicate the issue, illegal bike use of single-track trails and construction of illegal trails are chronic and typically unenforced.

The November workshop was a departure from the usual governance of the Parks and Open Space Department. That the Supervisors would call a special meeting, in effect bypassing the Commission process, was unusual in itself. Although Supervisors do also sit as the Board of the OSD, it is the Parks and Open Space District Commission, working with a large, competent department staff, who are responsible for overseeing and implementing the District's Strategic Plan and other programs. Among the projects laid out in the Strategic Plan



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Volunteer Historian / Archivist Needed at MCL Office. MCL is looking for one or two volunteers (who aren't allergic to dust!) to clean up and organize our files. Experience with scanning documents and setting up computer files, (or a willingness to learn) would be helpful. Please call 415-485-6257 or email dparker@marinconservationleague.org if you're interested in helping out. Many thanks to **Gwen Corrie** for getting this project underway this fall, and good luck to Gwen in her new job!

Save the Date! Friday, April 23 is MCL's **Annual Dinner!** Help MCL commemorate the 40th anniversary of Earth Day at this event. Mark your calendars and look for your invitation in late winter!

MCL is very grateful once again to Brendan Moylan and **Marin Brewing Company** for their generous donation of a keg of award-winning beer for our Dec. 4 Holiday Party! Both Marin Brewing Company, located in Larkspur Landing, and Moylan's in Novato regularly support Marin non-profits and sports teams with donations and sponsorships. Many thanks!



Correction: In the November/December newsletter article, "Land Use Committee Requires Long Memory," we stated that the size of residences permitted under the Sorokko Master Plan on Paradise Drive, Tiburon, is 10,000 square feet. That number should have been 8,000 square feet, as stated in the Resolution approving the development.

Learning From You—Membership Survey Yields Valuable Information

by Dan Sonnet

Thank you for responding to the MCL Membership Survey conducted this past spring. The survey was made possible through the generosity of MCL member Art Faibisch, who has designed and conducted thousands of surveys under the business name of ADF Research. We were grateful when Art offered to help the MCL Board learn more about you, our membership.

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We sent surveys via email to members who have provided their email addresses and paper surveys to members not listed on our email files. This not only saved money and resources but also helped us appreciate how our members use internet tools such as email and websites. We were pleasantly surprised by the 43% response rate from email invitations, compared to a 16% response from regular mail. The results gave us much food for thought about where we are after 75 years, and what we must do in the future.

High Interest in Environmental Issues

Not surprisingly, MCL members have a high level of interest in Marin County environmental issues, but which ones? At the top of your list of concerns are local water supply and conservation, loss of wetlands and other wildlife habitats, maintenance of open space and public parklands, and transportation in Marin. To help with these issues, many of you support other organizations beyond MCL, such as MALT, the Sierra Club, the Marin Audubon Society, WildCare and state or national park associations. Your environmental interests do not stop at the county line, either. You are deeply concerned about San Francisco Bay and Delta water issues, coastal protection, California land use planning and environmental policies, and, of course, global climate change.

How best to serve these interests?

Influencing local government is considered by you to be the most important method of affecting local environmental decisions (80% listed this method as very important), along with collaborating with other organizations (70%), influencing policy through grassroots efforts (69%), facilitating land preservation (67%), and taking strong positions on issues (67%). Litigating is perceived as being the least effective method (27%).

How well does MCL do? It is evident from your responses that MCL is considered "credible" (73%) and "relevant" (67%). Attributes like being "distinctive," "responsive," and "effective" range from 42% to 48%, which is reassuring, but suggests that more work needs to be done. In your view, MCL is not very "confrontational" (11%). This may be a concern for those of you who would like MCL to be more confrontational, but we like to achieve results through collaboration whenever possible.

Modes of Communication are Changing

Communication is key to the exchange of ideas and to the goals of visibility and outreach. In this regard, we were curious to learn how members obtain environmental information, whether from newspapers, newsletters and TV, or electronic sources such as email, websites, blogs, and social networks. Many of you look to a variety of newspapers, the MCL Newsletters, and other paper media for environmental information. Other sources include TV, radio, and word of mouth in lesser percentages.

Catching up with and overtaking these sources, however, is the internet. More than one-third (38%) of respondents indicated they get environmental information from the internet. Given the importance of the internet, we were concerned that half of all members had never visited the MCL website. Fortunately, two-thirds of those who had visited our site rated it as either excellent or good. By the way, this information dovetailed nicely with a project to completely redesign the MCL web site. **Please check out the new site at marinconservationleague.org**. Going forward, 42% of members said they would prefer to receive MCL information on line, and 38% would prefer regular mail. Eleven percent

said "all of the above!"

Finally, we wanted to know who you are. The survey revealed that, like Marin County itself, we are an aging membership, with the majority of members over the age of 45. Ninety percent of you have lived in Marin more than 10 years (65% for 30 years or more). One third of you (32%) have belonged to MCL for twenty or more years, 36% for five to twenty years, and roughly a third (36%) for fewer than ten years. You might characterize the majority of MCL members as "wise, learned ones"!

What Can We Learn From the Survey?

Several important conclusions can be drawn from the survey. First, MCL's traditional areas of environmental activism really haven't gone away. The need for action is as strong as ever. "New issues," like climate change, have become local and will require local action from both government and individuals.

Second, we can't cover all possible environmental bases. One respondent said: "focus, focus, focus!" In spite of your itemized concerns ranging from population growth to toxics, MCL's focus is clear: members care about the "local conservation angle." MCL's history of past success dictates that we continue preserving and protecting the environment of Marin County. We are the only organization dedicated so completely to the local environment.

Third, communication forms are evolving, and MCL must keep up to be relevant and visible. First step, the "all new" marinconservationleague.org. Increasingly, website and e-mail will be our primary modes of communication with you. Finally, we are an aging membership; loyalty and a long tradition of caring for the land have been our mainstay. Now we need to reach out to a younger population with communication tools that are current. In your verbatim comments you provided many, many ideas for communication, relevance, visibility, outreach, education, and more. With your help, MCL's Board and Committees have a lot to work with as we advance into our 76th year.

Square Table Brings Well-Rounded Housing Recommendations

by Nona Dennis

In late spring, a group of affordable housing advocates and environmentalists sat down to discuss a possible joint venture in which the two "sides" could explore common goals and means. As the County and Marin communities were working on updating their Housing Elements, the timing was intentional. Because only a rectangular table was available for meeting in the office of Marin Conservation League (MCL), the group called itself the "Square Table." Representatives of Ecumenical Association for Housing (EAH), Marin Environmental Housing Collaborative, Sierra Club, League of Women Voters, and MCL met over a period of six months. Out of the effort came a set of 15 recommendations that can be used to guide affordable housing projects in the future. (See MCL's website for the recommended housing policies.)

What some see as definable and differing "sides" to the housing-environment "debate" are more illusion than reality. Members of the group examined their own organizational policies on housing, looking for common themes. The focus of environmentalists, perhaps viewed as our "side," is the need to prevent sprawl and intrusion into environmentally sensitive areas, such

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as wildlife habitat, wetlands and stream habitats, agricultural and open space lands. Little argument there! Affordable housing advocates are also "environmentalists" according to this definition. The focus of housing advocates is the need to adequately house a diverse population that may work in Marin, be aging, or just starting out, and cannot afford to live here. Again no argument: Marin environmentalists are sensitive to the need.

The participants had no disagreement on the desirability of infill development or on reuse of underused shopping or com-

Drake's Way Apartments, EAH's new 24-unit low-income housing development above Larkspur Landing, boasts an array of green features including solar panels and native landscaping



Dru Parker

mercial centers, or on zoning for mixed use to allow affordable housing near existing shopping and services. Several of the Recommendations concern increasing densities to allow more affordable housing, and this prompted considerable discussion. "High density" is a relative term, not easily visualized in Marin County. It suggests growth and the unwanted consequences of growth – local traffic congestion, poor air quality, and so on. On the positive side, greater densities in the right locations can redirect growth away from "greenfields" and (at least theoretically) reduce automobile travel if planned as walkable communities with efficient access to services and public transit. As the directives of SB 375 unfold, local planning will have to move in that direction, and we will have to determine what we mean by "acceptable" density. The group agreed that existing affordable housing stock – older, smaller homes – should be retained wherever possible through zoning, deed restrictions, tax incentives, etc., and that rental housing stock, including second units, should be encouraged.

Environmental representatives insisted that the trend toward resource-intensive large homes, in Marin and elsewhere, be

addressed in the recommendations by limits on size. Everyone agreed that "green" energy and water conservation measures in new housing should be *expected*, and not viewed as a bonus or justification for overriding or replacing other policy conditions.

To reach final agreement, the draft Recommendations received further comment from boards of the participating organizations. The convergence of environmental and social priorities is evident in the fundamental principles that the Square Table group adopted as a preamble to the Recommended Housing Policies: *"Environmental constraints limit how much growth Marin County can accommodate. Development has to be planned carefully to address and meet the needs of all sectors of our society and to minimize environmental impacts."*

It is reassuring to know that, long before the Square Table group had come together, affordable housing projects like EAH-sponsored Drake's Way Apartments, which recently opened at Larkspur Landing and was supported by environmental organizations like MCL, already could demonstrate that the Recommendations can work in practice.

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temporarily disturbed during construction. Both types of impacts therefore would need to be mitigated: the permanent impacts by some form of compensation, such as purchase of "credits" in a "conservation bank," establishment of a conservation easement, or fee title acquisition of suitable frog habitat. The temporary construction impacts would need to be mitigated by an elaborate program of "best management practices" designed to minimize damage to existing habitats such as in San Antonio Creek and other waterways that would be bridged or culverted, and to maintain adequate passageways for wildlife movement under the freeway.

From April 2008, and for the next ten months, the Narrows EIR process went into a black hole as far as the public was concerned, but it was an important time for the red-legged frog. CalTrans entered into formal consultation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office of Endangered Species, who eventually issued a "Biological Opinion" (BO). This document lays out in great detail what the project proposes in its construction and operation, how these actions may adversely affect the habitat of the species in question, and what steps must be taken to mitigate the impacts. (Also discussed in the BO is the Endangered Salt Marsh Harvest Mouse, which could potentially be affected by the project.)

The BO concurred that CalTrans needed to locate 204 acres of habitat suitable for the frog where a conservation easement or some other mechanism could secure permanent, protected habitat. They found one such spot in the northwest corner of the County. Lawson's Landing on Tomales Bay has been a popular camping destination for many decades, especially for residents of the Central Valley. The Lawson property is also home to one of the most biologically and geologically significant active coastal dune systems on the Pacific Coast, and the only such system still under private ownership. The property contains a high incidence of dune



Lawson's Landing and Dillon Beach



Lawson's Landing Campground

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slack wetlands, which offer ideal breeding habitat for the red-legged frog, and habitat for many other distinctive species. The beach, also important, supports a wintering population of the federally Threatened Western Snowy Plover, whose habitat is highly exposed to human disturbance.

We have written previously in this Newsletter about the unique environment of the Tomales Bay Dunes. We have also reported on the lengthy process attempting to correct many violations at the resort, such as inadequate septic systems and illegal camping in wetlands. The County eventually approved a Master Plan in 2008. (The Master

Plan approval was appealed to the California Coastal Commission, which will consider the Lawsons' permit application in March 2010.) Central to resolving biological

issues at Lawson's Landing, while allowing limited camping to continue, has been the need for long term habitat protection and management of dunes and wetlands on private property. Habitat management would come at considerable cost to the owners and could not be assured. What CalTrans has proposed is to purchase a 204-acre conservation easement that would protect the frog habitat in perpetuity and fund long

term monitoring and management from an endowment. (Note: This negotiation is still in process at this writing. Another mitigation site in Marin County is also under consideration by CalTrans.)

What about the rest of the Lawson's Landing dune and beach habitats? In recent months, the Lawsons' planning team has assembled an impressive group of experts in conservation and restoration planning— Trust for Public Lands, State Coastal Conservancy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) "Partnership Program," California Department of Fish and Game, and San Francisco Bay Joint Venture— and applied for a National Coastal Wetland Conservation Grant. This program of the USFWS awarded one million dollars each in matching funds for the Giacomini Ranch Restoration on Pt. Reyes National Seashore and the Redwood Creek Restoration at Muir Beach. There are high hopes that a similar award will be made in the coming year or next to ensure that an additional 200 acres of habitat at Lawson's Landing will be restored and protected in perpetuity. Even with evident uncertainties, the two projects— widening of 101 in the Marin-Sonoma Narrows, and Lawson's Landing— appear headed toward a solution, with a frog as catalyst. (See also *President's Comments, Page 2*)



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and scheduled to begin in early 2010 is a 12-to-18 month "Road and Trail Management Plan." Long overdue, this process will require a comprehensive and systematic trails review, inventory, approaches to resolve conflicts, public outreach, and environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). It will be coordinated with the District's Vegetation and Biodiversity Management Plan, which is currently under way.

The explanation given by the Supervisors for the special workshop was that the incidents of conflict were too numerous and the needs of the mountain bike community too pressing to wait another year or more. Those who turned out represented a wide range of views— mountain bikers, hikers, equestrians,

"MCOSD shall steward its lands in a sustainable manner, and primarily for resource protection."— District policy

native plant and wildlife advocates, bike shop owners, and so on. Bikers spoke about the benefits of the exercise and the need to accommodate their growing numbers. Many people shared stories of actual or near accidents, most of them encounters between either equestrians or hikers and mountain bikes, or they reported illegal activity by bikers. Cross-accusations about environmental impacts came from all sides, with no agreement as to which recreational mode causes the most damage to trails. (At China Camp State Park, heavily used by mountain bikers, the erosion damage to trails and vegetation is extensive). The workshop concluded somewhat ambiguously. Board President Hal Brown directed the District staff to proceed with the trail management plan as scheduled, but at the same time appointed a committee of the Board, consisting of Supervisors Steve Kinsey and Susan Adams, to work with staff in the coming months to explore interim approaches to conflict resolution and report back to the full Board early in 2010.

And that is where things stand at this writing (late December, 2009): out of public view except to those who are requesting to meet privately with either of the two Supervisors, which Marin Conservation League, in collaboration with others, has done. The committee has also received a "mail-bag full" of e-mails from mountain bikers from all over the country, but few from hikers, who simply aren't organized in that way. Following the November workshop, MCL addressed a letter to the Board reminding them of their obligations under CEQA: i.e., any "interim"

policy recommendation that suggests a change in use or operational shift involving a trail could be interpreted as a de facto "project" as defined by CEQA and therefore be subject to environmental review. Supervisors Kinsey and Adams have assured their listeners that no *new* trails are contemplated on the preserves by any members of the Board. At the same time, if the committee's discussions turn to specific trails or areas of particular conflict or opportunity, as they likely will, they must be fully disclosed to the public in the context of the Road and Trail Management Plan as it develops.

MCL has reason to be concerned about the

Board's process. Beginning in the late 1960s, MCL initiated negotiations for acquisition of North Ridge properties that eventually involved three communities, the county and hundreds of individuals, and led directly to the formation of the MCOSD in 1973. Cascade Canyon OSP was the first completed acquisition, setting a high standard for subsequent additions to the District. The core policy of the District has always been that *".. MCOSD shall steward its lands in a sustainable manner, and primarily for resource protection..."* Any consideration of recreational use, including biking as well as hiking and equestrian, must remain consistent with this policy.

Coho-spotting at Lagunitas Creek



Sighting a spawning salmon in the creek can be tricky. Look for the distinctive white tail (left). To create a redd (nest) for the eggs, the female will slap her tail hard on the bottom of the stream (right).



Keep an eye out for the ripples she creates in the water. This fish was seen directly under the bridge inside Taylor State Park.



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