

Hain Ranch Organics Riparian Restoration Project

Project Summary

With funding from the CA Wildlife Conservation Board, the Wild Farm Alliance (WFA) <http://www.wildfarmalliance.org/> and Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF) <http://www.caff.org/> assisted Hain Ranch Organics in planting native trees and shrubs along Tres Pinos Creek to stabilize the stream bank, increase plant biodiversity and provide habitat for wildlife. The project also added plants to the existing pollinator hedgerow along the driveway of the ranch.

About Hain Ranch Organics

Hain Ranch Organics is a small family farm / ranch bordering the Tres Pinos Creek five miles south of Hollister in the central coast region of California. This CCOF certified organic operation blends the production of organic walnuts with a Salatin style pastured poultry system. A section of orchard is planted with permanent pasture to provide green forage to the poultry during the May through November seasonal production period. The poultry provide pest control benefits and contribute greatly to the fertility of the soil while receiving all of the fresh air, sunshine, grass and bugs that they desire. The poultry are fed a high quality organic feed. On farm processing provides on-farm and farmers market friends and customers with the highest quality fresh chicken possible while reducing stress on the poultry to a minimum. The poultry operation has been leased to SolSeeker Farm www.solseeker.org/ with assistance from California Farm Link www.californiafarmlink.org/. SolSeeker Farm produces broilers, turkeys and ducks, and maintains a pastured laying flock for eggs for sale at markets in the San Francisco, Silicon Valley, and Monterey Bay areas. We don't ship out of area. www.hainranchorganics.com

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Habitat Restoration Plant List

Acer macrophyllum - Big Leaf Maple
Acer negundo - Box Elder
Alnus rhombifolia - White Alder
Artemisia californica - California Sage
Asclepias fascicularis - Milkweed
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Atriplex lentiformis - Quailbush
Baccharis pilularis - Coyote Brush
Baccharis salicifolia - Mulefat
Carex barbarae - Santa Barbara Sedge
Ceanothus 'Dark Star' - California Lilac
Ceanothus 'Skylark' - California Lilac
Ceanothus thrysiflorus - California Lilac
Cornus sericea - Creek Dogwood
Epilobium canum - Fuschia
Eriogonum fasciculatum - Calif. Buckwheat
Fremontodendron californicum - Flannel Bush
Juglans californica - Black Walnut
Heteromeles arbutifolia - Toyon
Muhlenbergia rigens - Deergrass
Platanus racemosa - Sycamore
Populus fremontii - Fremont Cottonwood
Populus trichocarpa - Black Cottonwood
Prunus ilicifolia - Holly-Leaf Cherry
Prunus lyonii - Catalina Cherry
Quercus agrifolia - Live Oak
Quercus douglasii - Blue Oak
Quercus lobata - Valley Oak
Rhamnus californica - Coffeeberry
Rhus integrifolia - Lemonade Berry
Rhus ovata - Sugar Bush
Ribes sanguineum - Red Flowering Currant
Rosa californica - Wild Rose
Rubus ursinus - Blackberry
Salix laevigata - Red Willow
Salvia apiana - White Sage
Salvia clevelandii - Cleveland Sage
Salvia mellifera - Black Sage
Sambucus mexicana - Elderberry
Sequoia sempervirens - Redwood



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