



A watershed community
dedicated to preserving, protecting,
and restoring the Mark West Creek and its
watershed as a natural and community resource.

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Re: Russian River Coho Water Resources Partnership

The Friends of the Mark West Watershed (FMWW) is a community of neighbors, landowners and supporters working to protect, restore and sustain the Upper Mark West Watershed in Sonoma County, California. Our watershed continues to provide spawning and rearing habitat for Coho Salmon and Steelhead Trout. We make our decisions by consensus.

We are wholeheartedly in support of the Russian River Coho Water Resources Partnership (RRCWRP). It is encouraging to see strong participation from such a diverse group of organizations. We are looking forward to working with you to help make our streams more viable for runs of Coho and other species historically found in the Russian River Watershed. Particularly important to our group is the focus on improving stream flow and reducing sediment in the Mark West Creek.

Let us know what we can do to further support your efforts.

Best regards,

Harriet Buckwalter
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Cc: Valerie Brown, Sonoma County Supervisor
Mike Thompson, United States Congressman