MMWD’s volunteer program connects people to nature and their water source. Mt. Tamalpais is home to more than 900 types of plants and 400 kinds of animals, including 80 rare, threatened, and endangered species.

An initiative of the Tamalpais Lands Collaborative, ONE TAM seeks to raise awareness about the need to maintain the long-term health of Mt. Tamalpais and engage more volunteers in caring for its treasured resources.

Together, we work to improve trails, care for natural landscapes, and restore habitat for birds and other wildlife. Many of our projects are family friendly and open to volunteers of all ages.

ONE TAM invites volunteers to join our workday-celebrations in 2015:

• Hands on Tam Winter Workday – Sat., Jan. 31
• Mt. Tam Earth Day – Sat., Apr. 25
• National Trails Day on Tam – Sat., June 6
• Mt. Tam Day of Thanks – Date to be determined

Learn more about ONE TAM and how you can get involved at onetam.org.
STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMS
TRAINING PROVIDED, FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE

FROG DOCENTS
Want to help protect a declining species?
Frog docents monitor human activity and educate hikers near the breeding habitat of foothill yellow-legged frogs. Ages 18 and up. Must be capable of strenuous hiking. Train in February; monitor March-June.

TURTLE OBSERVERS
Want to help study California’s only freshwater turtle?
Turtle observers monitor and record behavior of native western pond turtles, a “vulnerable species.” Ages 8 and up. Train in March; monitor March-May.

NATURAL RESOURCE PROGRAM INTERNSHIPS
Looking for practical hands-on experience with vegetation ecology, biological monitoring, GIS, and GPS?
Interns develop skills in ecological monitoring, mapping, and plant and animal identification. Ages 18 and up. Students must submit an application and commit to 35 hours during a semester. Spring and summer.

WATERSHED AMBASSADORS
Do you love sharing your knowledge about the mountain?
Watershed ambassadors greet and help visitors at the Sky Oaks Watershed entrance kiosk. Ages 18 and up. Applications accepted on a rolling basis. Year round.

BOTANICAL SAFARIS
Want to work with biologists and contribute to the scientific knowledge of Mt. Tam’s flora?
MMWD and the California Academy of Sciences are creating a “snapshot” of all plant life on the watershed. Citizen scientists receive field training and are part of a research team. Day-long events throughout the year. Registration required.

MARIN WILDLIFE PICTURE INDEX PROJECT
Interested in assisting with wildlife research in Marin?
Marin’s public land management agencies are collecting wildlife data across the county using cameras to monitor animal populations. Citizen scientists will help identify wildlife species in the photos and maintain the equipment in the field. Ages 18 and up. Training provided. Monthly commitment required.

VOLUNTEER EVENTS
YEAR ROUND, LOCATIONS VARY

TRAIL CREW
Want to work with your hands outdoors?
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH, 9 A.M. – 2 P.M.
Our trail volunteers maintain and improve Mt. Tamalpais’ trail network and enhance natural habitat. We install and repair bridges, fences, and stairs; improve drainage, erosion control, and tread; and cut back vegetation along trails. Ages 13 and up; under 16 must be with an adult. 2015 Schedule: Jan 10, Feb 7, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2, June 6, July 11, Aug 1, Sep 12, Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 5 Dates and times subject to change.

HABITAT RESTORATION
Want to give back to the land?
THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH, 9 A.M. – NOON
Join our habitat restoration volunteers and learn about Marin’s unique plant and animal life while helping remove invasive weeds and plant natives to restore sensitive habitat. Families welcome! Ages 8 and up; under 16 must be with an adult. 2015 Schedule: Jan 17, Jan 31, Feb 21, Mar 21, Apr 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, Aug 15, Sep 19, Oct 17, Nov 21, Dec 19 Dates and times subject to change.

FIELD TRIPS TO THE MT. TAMALPAIS WATERSHED
Interested in hands-on learning?
Through stewardship, students learn about the ecology of our local watershed and forests, as well as water conservation and supply. Students engage in habitat restoration and/or scientific monitoring. Programs available for grades 3-5, 9-12, and college. All programs are offered at no cost to schools in MMWD’s service area. Programs are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM
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