



# Save Our Native Turtles

## The Western Pond Turtle...

- Only native **freshwater turtle** to California.
- Federally listed as a **vulnerable** species.
- Found locally in Lagunitas, Bon Tempe, Phoenix and Alpine Lakes **on the Mt. Tamalpais watershed.**
- Habitat being invaded by the **Red Eared Slider.** ▼

## What to do with your unwanted pet turtles...

- The Marin Humane Society will gladly find a new home for your turtles.
- The Pet Arcade in San Rafael will also accept your turtles.
- You can **volunteer** to monitor turtles and educate visitors on Mt. Tam. [www.marinwater.org](http://www.marinwater.org).



## The Red Eared Slider...

- A common household **pet** that is being released into the wild.
- **Taking** over the Western Pond Turtles natural habitat and resources.
- Native to the Southern U.S., **NOT** California.