

Watershed **2023** Priorities



Overview: Watershed 2023 Priorities

- Biodiversity, Fire, and Fuels Integrated Plan
- Lagunitas Creek Fisheries Enhancement
- Azalea Hill Trail Restoration Project
- Watershed Recreation Management Plan



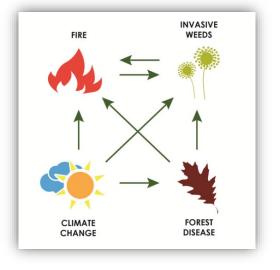
Biodiversity, Fires, and Fuels Integrated Plan

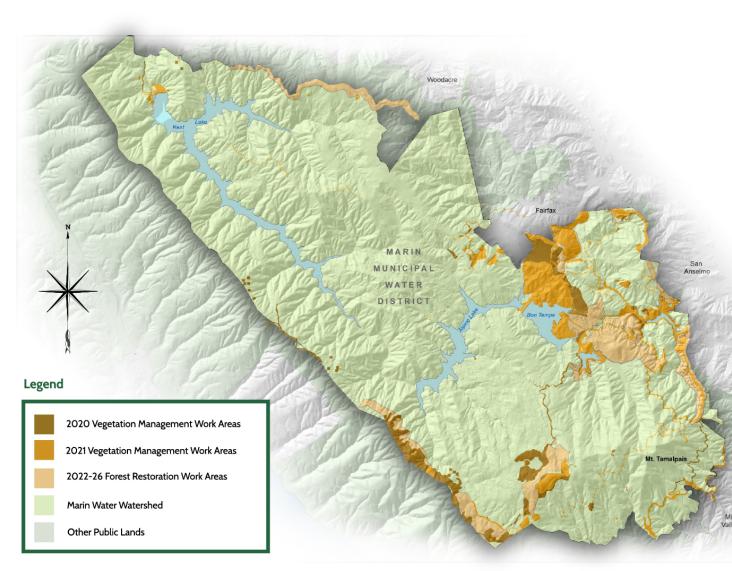
(Adopted in 2019)

BFFIP Plan Goals

- Minimize the Risk from Wildfire
- Preserve and Enhance Existing Biological Resources
- Provide an Adaptive Framework for the Periodic Review and Revision

of the Plan

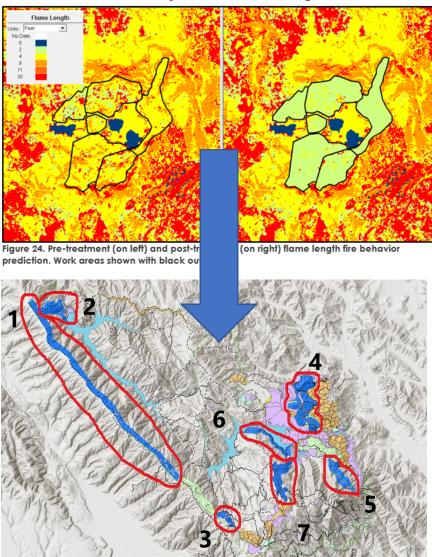




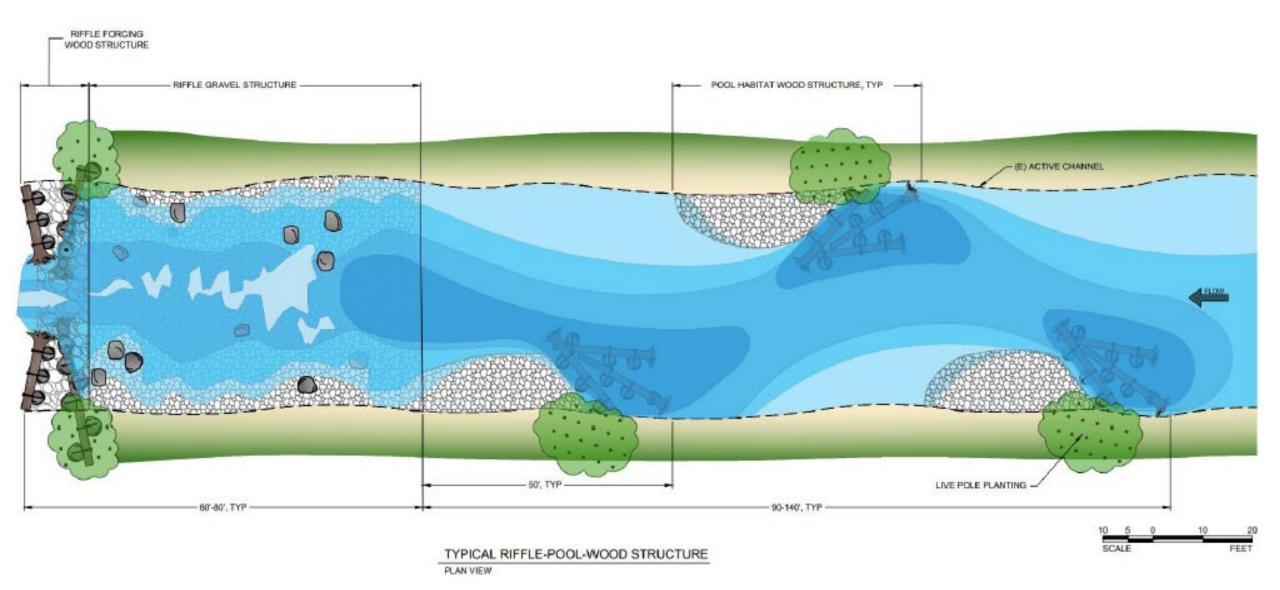
BFFIP Program Enhancements: Annual Goals & Milestones

- One Tam Forest Health Strategy anticipated to be completed - March/April 2023
- ➤ Wildfire modeling results to inform future treatments presented to Watershed Committee March 2023
- > EIR Addendum June-September 2023
 - Increase vegetation management treatment acres
 - Refine Best Management Practices and Mitigation Measures
- State block grant proposal with One Tam May-July2023

Wildfire Modeling

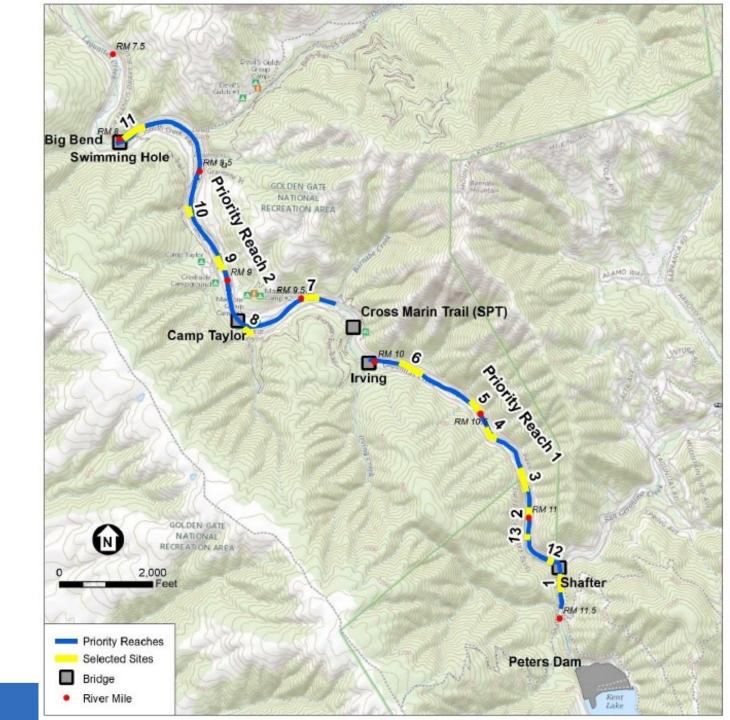


Lagunitas Creek Habitat Enhancement Project



Restoration Sites

- Two Priority Reaches
 - 13 Sites Total
 - Phase 1 = 8 sites
 - Phase 2 = 5 sites
- Estimated Phase 2 DesignCosts = \$1 million
- Estimated ImplementationCost = \$8 million



Lagunitas Creek Watershed Enhancement Funding

Recent Awards

- CDFW Prop 1 Grant secured for 30% restoration designs for 13 sites \$350,000
- CDFW Prop 68 Grant secured to complete final design plans and environmental review of 8 Sites \$800,000
- **USBR WaterSMART Grant** secured to implement construction of Sites 1, 2, 3 \$1.4 million

Recent Applications Submitted

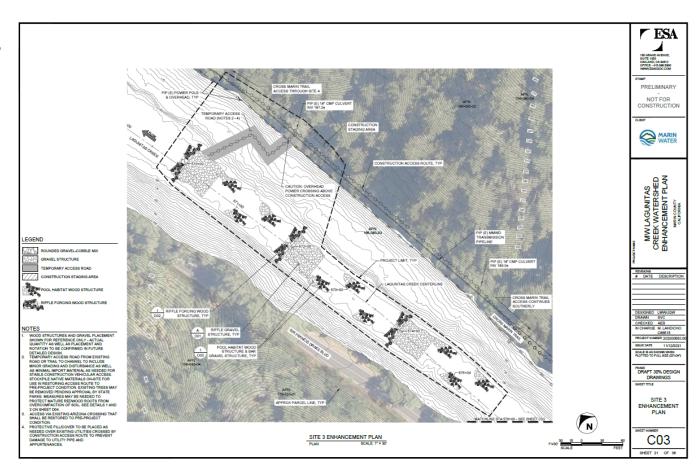
- **DWR Riverine Stewardship Grant** application submitted to implement construction of Sites 12 and 13 (gravel augmentation) \$650,000
- **DWR Storage Improvement and Restoration Grant** application submitted to implement construction of Sites 4, 5, 6 \$2.6 million

Future Applications

- CDFW Fisheries Grant & Wildlife Conservation Board application to be submitted in 2023/2024 to complete Phase 2 final designs and for implementation of 7, 8, 9, 10, 11
 - Outstanding funding need for Phase 2 design and implementation \$5 million

Lagunitas Creek Enhancement Plan: Goals & Milestones

- Final restoration designs April 2024
- ➤ Construction bidding May 2024
- ➤ Implementation of Sites 1, 2,3 June-October 2024
- ➤ Secure grants for Phase II Design Funding 2024



Azalea Hill Trail Project

Restoration Project

Ongoing trail construction work is designed to ensure more sustainable ecology while enhancing visitor access.















Saving Serpentine Habitat

The greenish serpentine soil covering Azalea Hill is home to tough and tiny plants that grow few other places.

Heavy human traffic on and off the trails here has threatened the plants that grow in the serpentine outcrops.

MMWD is enhancing this trail as part of a multi-phase project to preserve wildlife and the

and staying on trail.

ecosystem and protect water

respecting the marked paths

How You Can Help



Stay off restricted trails Stay on designated trails A new trail alignment was

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The unmarked "social trails" on this location have been removed to protect the habitat. designed to protect this fragile quality, but depends on visitors



Stay out of closed areas

se help us make this project a success oserving marked trails.



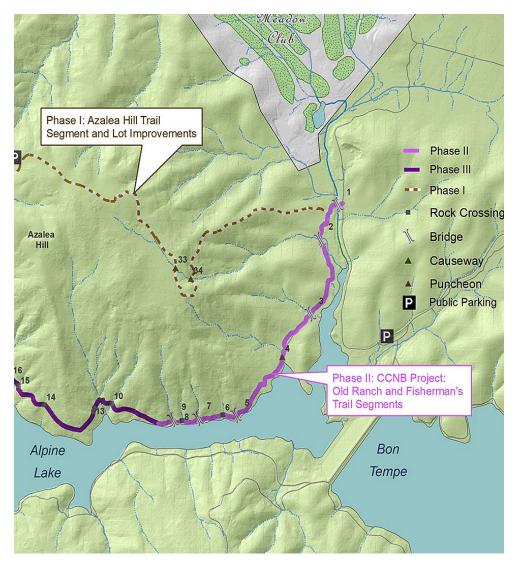
MMWD has secured funding from the Mt. Tamalpais Fund, the Emig Trust and Proposition 68 to begin construction of the trail. MMWD is actively seeking grants and private donations to support construction of future phases.

To make a donation to this project, visit MarinWater.org/MtTamWatershedFund

MarinWater.org and One Tam.org



Azalea Hill Trail Work Completed





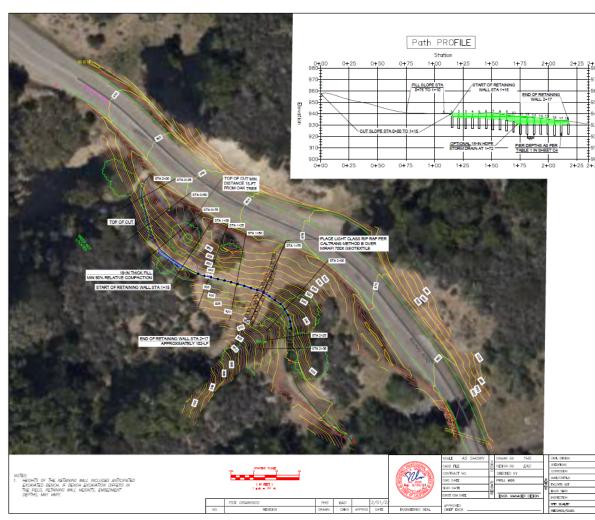




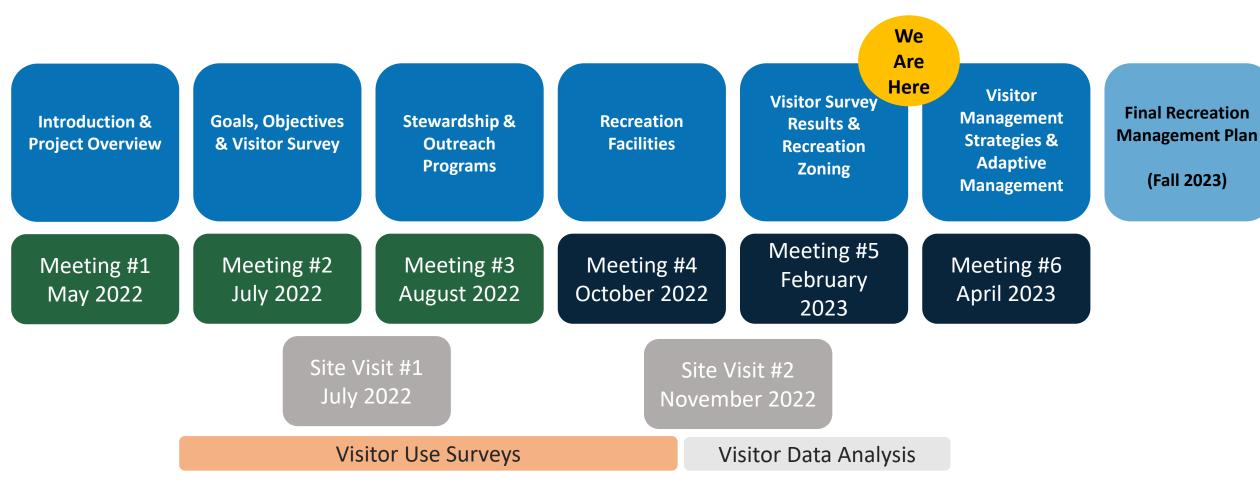


Azalea Hill Trail Restoration Project:Goals & Milestones

- ➤ Trail retaining wall construction Bidding February 2023
- Retaining wall construction –May-October 2023
- Rare Plant Surveys to inform future phase of work 2023-2024
- Continue hiking trail improvements and social trail decommissioning 2024

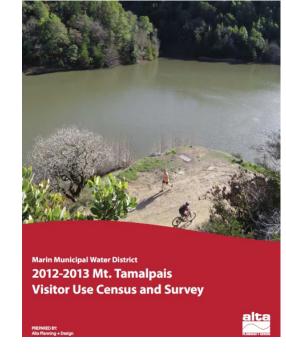


Watershed Recreation Management Plan



Watershed Recreation Management Plan: Goals & Milestones

- ➤ Watershed census survey report finalized April 2023
- ➤ Draft Plan November 2023
- ➤ Consider updates to Road and Trail Plan and advance CEQA review 2024
- ➤ Initiate Implementation of recommendations 2024-2026









Summary

- BFFIP Addendum will expand acres for vegetation work, positioning the District/One Tam for a block grant.
- Azalea Hill Project implementation focus in 2023/2024 will be on retaining wall, bridges, and rock crossings.
- Lagunitas Creek Restoration Project will begin implementation in 2024 and continue through 2027/2028
- Watershed Recreation Management Plan will include outcomes that inform future management actions.

