

Alhambra Watershed Council (AWC) Meeting  
March 7, 2023  
6:30-8:00pm

#### Decision Meeting Minutes:

##### Discussion Item: Erosion concern on Alhambra Creek near NPS Gravesite Property

- Update: Tim Jensen (CCC FCD), Michelle Cordis (CCC FCD), Katie Hart (SF RWQCB), and Ann Riley (CUSP) visited the property (24 Wanda Way) with current property owners. A CUSP assessment is being coordinated with the property owner. Potential opportunity for soil bioengineering once riprap is removed.
- No decisions were made at this time.

##### Discussion Item: Thriving Earth Exchange (TEX) Community Science Project

- Thriving Earth Exchange website: <https://thrivingearthexchange.org/>
- February 2023 AWC Meeting: [TEX Presentation Slides Link](#)
- Ann Moriarty from Friends of Pinole Creek answered questions regarding her experience completing a Thriving Earth Exchange Program.
  - Ann provided two informational documents following the meeting:
    - [Community Science-Informed Local Policy: A Case Study in Pinole Creek Litter Assessment \(Cowger et al. 2023\)](#)
    - [12+ Lessons from a Community Science Project \(2022\)](#)
- The group then discussed various problems that a TEX project could focus on, including:
  - Native plants being destroyed
  - Ornamental plantings encroaching into creek
  - Streambed alterations
  - Encroachment/erosion
  - Unnecessary accumulation of trash
  - Trash dumping in Franklin Canyon, a human behavior problem
  - Sediment source analysis
  - Water quality testing analysis
- Decision: The group will continue to think about these project ideas on their own and will carry on this discussion at the next AWC meeting.