

List of FoSC Restoration and Nursery Projects since 1996

This is a list of work, assistance, and consultation completed by the Friends of Sausal Creek volunteers and staff members within or near the Sausal Creek watershed.

RESTORATION

Major Projects:

- Sausal Creek channel restoration and riparian revegetation
- Native Plant Nursery construction and operation
- Native Plant Demonstration Garden in Dimond Park
- Landslide plantings, Dimond Canyon, Bridgeview Trail
- Native oyster propagation with Save the Bay

Trails:

- Trail construction, Dimond Canyon
- Switchback trail construction and planting, Dimond Canyon
- Kiosks and trail signs, Dimond Canyon
- Trail maintenance (various locations in Dimond Canyon)

Invasives Removal:

- Erosion control/invasives removal, with Boy Scouts, Dimond Canyon
- Oak understory ivy removal, Dimond Canyon
- Ivy removal, Joaquin Miller Park
- French broom removal, Joaquin Miller Park
- French broom removal/riparian revegetation, Dimond Park
- Acacia removal, Dimond Park
- Acacia removal, in and below nursery, Joaquin Miller Park
- Cape ivy removal, with California Native Plant Society, in Joaquin Miller Park
- Broom removal, William D. Wood Park
- Elm removal, Dimond Canyon
- Ivy removal/oak understory revegetation, Dimond Canyon
- Ivy stripped from trees (throughout upper watershed)
- Eucalyptus resprout removal, Joaquin Miller Park

Habitat restoration:

- Redwood understory revegetation, an Education Program project, Joaquin Miller Big Trees area
- Redwood understory revegetation and redwood sorrel protection, Dimond Canyon
- Oakland star tulip protection, Joaquin Miller Park
- Wet meadow planting, Dimond Canyon
- Fern understory restoration, Dimond Canyon
- Woodland planting, end of Benevides Street
- Neotropical bird habitat creation, Dimond Canyon
- Monterey pine removal, Joaquin Miller Park
- Pallid manzanita protection, Joaquin Miller Park
- Serpentine grassland restoration, Joaquin Miller Park
- Native Plant Nursery Demonstration Garden
- Seed and cutting collection (throughout watershed)
- Tree planting, William D. Wood Park

EDUCATION

- Grade school education program, 2 days per week
- Featured speakers on watershed-related topics at monthly meetings
- Work with Wildfire District and the City of Oakland to draft the Herbicide Resolution and the Vegetation Management Plan
- Participation in the Joaquin Miller Park Working Group
- Storm drain stenciling (around Dimond Canyon)
- Nursery tour for a watershed conference at Merritt College
- Nursery and watershed field trips for Merritt College and other education programs
- Trails maps, rare plant map, and other mapping efforts
- Plant collecting hikes, teaching participants about watershed vegetation

MONITORING

- Water chemistry monitoring, (3 sites in Dimond Cyn)
- Bird monitoring (8 sites throughout watershed)
- Aquatic insect monitoring
- Rare plant reporting for the local California Native Plant Society chapter survey
- Rare plant mapping, monitoring and native species list (throughout watershed)
- Vegetation monitoring in the El Centro restoration area

SUPPORTING OTHER EFFORTS

- Worked with Castle Canyon neighbors to help them plan their clean up efforts at new park area
- Provided plant to many projects including Shepherd's Canyon Home Owners (Escher Creek), Benevides neighbors, Peralta Hacienda, Peralta Creek, Hawthorne School, Walden School, Arroyo Viejo Creek, Horseshoe Creek, Glen Echo Creek (2 projects)
- Helped Butters Land Trust/Friends of the Last Wild Canyon after creek banks were denuded
- Consulted with Peralta Creek neighbors about native vegetation to replace invasive plants
- Helped Claremont Conservancy with ideas on enhancing small creeks in Garber Park
- Worked with East Bay Conservation Corps, Earth Team, Oakland High School Key Club, Skyline High School Key Club, Castro Valley High School Environmental Awareness Club
- Helped Hiller Highlands Homeowners with native plant identification and revegetation
- Piedmont Pines Home Owners, focusing on Cobbledick Creek (Sausal Creek tributary)