California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network Announces

Citizen Science & Watershed Stewardship Webinar Series

Join the California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network along with Beth Christman from the Truckee River Watershed Council for the presentation “Utilizing Bioassessments and Citizen Science for Stewardship in the Truckee River Watershed”. Please join us on Thursday January 26, 2017 from 11:30 AM -12:30 PM for our first presentation in the Citizen Science & Watershed Stewardship Webinar Series. Please see the instructions below to join the webinar.

Presenter: Beth Christman

Beth is the Director of Restoration Programs with the Truckee River Watershed Council. She has been with TRWC since 2002. She directs restoration and monitoring programs of TRWC including Truckee River Day and Adopt-a-Stream volunteer monitoring. Beth also directs watershed assessments and large-scale restoration projects. She sits on the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, representing Citizen Monitoring groups. Beth received her Ph.D. in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology from Cornell University and her undergraduate degree in Biology from U.C. Santa Cruz. Beth has worked in various places throughout the United States and Latin America as a field biologist.

Topic: Utilizing Bioassessments and Citizen Science for Stewardship in the Truckee River Watershed

The Adopt a Stream program of the Truckee River Watershed Council has grown from a one-day monitoring event to quarterly monitoring and a robust bioassessment program. Approximately 100 volunteers participate in the monitoring program annually. Volunteers monitor key tributaries and a handful of sites along the Truckee River. TRWC uses the data to identify sites for restoration and stormwater improvements and to track restoration project success. Beth will discuss how to design a volunteer-based water quality monitoring program, common pitfalls, and communicating data back to the public. www.truckeeriverwc.org

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