

## **April 2019**



Our nation came together for the first Earth Day in 1970. Gaylord Nelson, then a U.S. Senator from Wisconsin, witnessed the detrimental effects of an oil spill in Santa Barbara, California, and he was inspired to put forward a day focused on the deteriorating environment. On April 22, 1970, 20 million Americans participated in rallies and other events to promote awareness on achieving a healthier, more sustainable environment.

Senator Nelson's idea gave birth to the modern environmental movement. Watershed groups like AWG evolved in this new era of local stewardship—volunteers working week in and week out to preserve and enhance their ecosystem.

## **Celebrate Earth Day** 2019 at Grover Hot **Springs State Park**

AWG is partnering with California State Parks and California State Parks Foundation to host a workday at Grover Hot Springs State Park on Saturday, April 20, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We need volunteers to help with invasive weed removal and park maintenance. All ages

email Taylor Norton at <a href="mailto:awg.snap.rm@gmail.com">awg.snap.rm@gmail.com</a>. To sign up, click <a href="mailto:here">here</a> then scroll down to the calendar and click on the Grover Hot Springs State Park event on April 20.



**Teaching Tomorrow's Stewards** 

AWG Education and Outreach Coordinator Shauna Langan is working twice each month with Diamond Valley School's after school program. The objective is for the 1st through 8th grade students to understand what a watershed is and how they can help keep their watershed clean and healthy. They've played an "Incredible Journey" dice game to make bracelets while learning about the water cycle and how water moves through a watershed. They've also explored AWG's enviroscape model, observing how rain picks up different pollutants from homes, farms, and businesses, and how it all ends up in our rivers.

### **Keep Calm and Support AWG** Through the end of this month, proceeds from Tahoe

Yoga Shala's donation-based class continue to go to Alpine Watershed Group. If you know anyone in the South Lake Tahoe area interested in yoga, please let them know. The classes are every Sunday from 5:30-7 p.m. and are open to all. We are grateful to Tahoe Yoga Shala for their generosity.



### **Upcoming Events** View on AWG website

Celebrate Earth Day at Grover Hot Springs State Park

# <u>Flyer</u>

**Upper South Fork American Naturalist Excursion** 

Friday, April 26, 9-11 a.m.

Saturday, April 20, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Your Watershed month. The meeting location will be determined closer to the event based on accessibility, so please check our event calendar for updates and logistics. Please RSVP to Shauna Langan. <u>Flyer</u> **Alpine County Clean-Up** 

Naturalist Chloe Tremper will lead a walk to explore and observe the unique and varied ecology abundant in the South Fork American River watershed. This event is part of Know

Saturday, April 27, 7 a.m.-3 p.m.

### Alpine County Public Works Yard 50 Diamond Valley Road, Markleeville

Click <u>here</u> for information on accepted materials. Fishing Outing Wednesday, May 1, 4-6 p.m. Meet at AWG office, 50 Diamond Valley Road in Woodfords

#### AmeriCorps Member Taylor Norton is hosting a #Wanderyourwatershed fishing outing. Fly casters and spin casters welcome! Fishing location TBD. Please contact Taylor for more

info and to RSVP. Date is subject to change pending weather conditions.

Alpine Biomass Collaborative (ABC) Meeting Tuesday, May 7, 6-8 p.m. Turtle Rock Park Community Center Please attend to continue the conversation on where and what forest and watershed health

# projects are priorities for our community.

**Washoe Tribe Earth Day** 

Saturday, May 11, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

choices. Please stop by AWG's table to say hi!

Hung A Lel Ti / Woodfords Community 96 Washoe Blvd., Markleeville This fun-filled day focuses on environmental practices like water and energy conservation,

recycling, and creating climate resilience, as well as promoting healthy eating and lifestyle

# SAVE THE DATE

AWG Meeting

Tuesday, May 14, 5:30-7 p.m. Location and agenda TBD



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