

Summer 2015 News

Citizen Science STARTS WITH YOU!

Daniel Dietrich

EAC is Inspiring and Training the Next Generation of Ocean and Coastal Stewards!

EAC is proud to report the growing success of our Marin MPA Watch program! Since 2013, EAC has been educating our West Marin communities and training volunteers to record observations within our Marine Protected Areas in collaboration with California Academy of Sciences and the Point Reyes National Seashore. In September 2014, EAC hired Morgan Patton as Development Director and Marin MPA Watch Program Coordinator. The addition in staffing created the opportunity to review programming goals, and evaluate areas to expand our environmental education and youth involvement within the community.

By providing education, experience and engagement opportunities for Marin County youth, we can secure the long-term environmental protections and policies that make West Marin unique by building partnerships with the next generation of our coastal stewards. *(Continued on page 2)*



Marin MPA Watch volunteers on Agate Beach, Photo by Marc Detraz



Marin MPA Watch Volunteers overlooking Limantour de Estero State Marine Reserve.

MPA Watch *Continued from page 1*

MPA Watch has partnered with several schools and community centers throughout Marin County creating much needed science based volunteer opportunities for young people.

Our program provides solid skills and leadership training for Marin County youth. Students engage in standardized data collection observations, audit and examine data collected, manage and recruit volunteers, develop project management experience, and learn public speaking skills by assisting with volunteer training.

It is a joy to work with excited and engaged young scientists experiencing the natural rhythms of Marin's coastline throughout the seasons.

This summer, we continue to expand the program, including:

- Working to open the Corte Madera Marsh MPA to volunteers in August
- Creating Marine Debris Awareness program, which seeks to bring awareness to young people about the amount of trash in our oceans and to change habits about single use plastic consumption.



Marin MPA Watch middle school volunteer participating in survey on Limantour Beach.



Marin MPA Watch high school interns conducting MPA training at Drakes Beach.

What is Marin MPA Watch?

We train citizen-scientist volunteers to observe and collect data about coastal and marine resource use inside and outside Marine Protected Areas (MPAs).

Our volunteers are participating in a state-wide beach monitoring program which monitor human uses within California's 124 MPAs.

The data collected is meant to inform and improve the management, enforcement, and science of California's MPAs.

To become a Marin MPA Watch volunteer, you must attend a short field training session and be able to commit to walk the beach once a month.

Visit www.marinmpawatch.org for more information and to sign up!

We are organizing beach clean ups on Drakes Beach and turning it into art displays created by local schools, community centers, and the general public. **We will display the collection of art projects on California Coastal Clean Up Day, September 19, 2015 at Drakes Beach.**

- Through our partnership with California Academy of Sciences, we created an iNaturalist Project, Marin MPA Watch Biodiversity Survey. This project enables volunteers to document species found on our beaches.

Our program participation is growing, but we need your help to achieve our volunteer goals and increase the number of surveys.

Help us reach our goal of 50 volunteers by December 31, 2015 by joining us today at www.marinmpawatch.org.

We are social!

Follow Marin MPA Watch online @[marinmpawatch](https://twitter.com/marinmpawatch) & "like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MarinMPAWatch

Executive Director's Report

By Amy Trainer

As I conclude another successful year as Executive Director of EAC, I couldn't be more proud of all the great work we continue to do to protect West Marin. More than any other organization, EAC protects the waters, wild lands and wildlife that are the wild heart of Point Reyes National Seashore.

Since last summer, we've seen restoration of Drakes Estero Wilderness begin, continued advancing the restoration of the Tomales Dunes at Lawson's Landing, advocated for the protection of our majestic native Tule elk in the Seashore while also supporting sustainable farming, joined a lawsuit to protect our communities, waters, and organic farms by trying to stop the State's massive pesticide spraying plan, and continued training a new generation of ocean and coastal stewards through our Marin Marine Protected Areas Watch citizen-science program.

All of this important work, as well as the Point Reyes Birding & Nature Festival and many other community events, are made possible by your generous support.

Thank you for your continued support of EAC's essential work to keep West Marin wild for all the ways that you love to enjoy and explore it!



After eighty years of non-native oyster cultivation, motorboat traffic, and plastic debris pollution, the West Coast's only marine wilderness area is finally being restored to its native ecology.

Restoration Work for Drakes Estero Wilderness Moving Forward

At the May Coastal Commission meeting, the Point Reyes National Seashore received a key permit necessary to begin removing the pressure-treated wooden racks and other debris leftover by commercial oyster operations in Drakes Estero Wilderness. After eighty years of non-native oyster cultivation, motorboat traffic, and plastic debris pollution, the West Coast's only marine wilderness area is finally being restored to its native ecology.

Under the restoration proposal, roughly two-thirds of an acre of eelgrass will be temporarily impacted. However, with removal of the 477 tons of pressure-treated wooden racks, a much greater amount of eelgrass habitat will be created, resulting in a significant net restoration of important eelgrass habitat.

The Seashore and Coastal Commission went to great lengths to assess all possible means of removing the rack lumber, and



Drakes Estero Wilderness by Carlos Porrata

took every precaution to ensure selection of the least environmentally damaging alternative regardless of a resulting increase in cost.

EAC believes that the Seashore's restoration plan takes appropriate precautions to ensure the protection of biological resources and public access, to avoid harbor seal disturbance, to minimize the spread of non-native biofouling organisms, to prepare and adhere to an oil spill prevention and response plan, and to adhere to an anchoring plan that minimizes placement of anchoring devices in eelgrass. Restoration work will begin this summer.

EAC Joins Lawsuit Against State To Stop Massive Pesticide Spraying Proposal

The 79 pesticides authorized in the state's pest management plan are known to cause cancer, birth defects, miscarriages, reproductive damage, and to be highly toxic to bees and other pollinators, fish, birds, and other animals.

TAKE ACTION!

Make a donation to help EAC cover legal costs. Donations may be made online www.eacmarin.org or checks payable to "EAC" mailed to PO Box 609, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956 with a memo line "pesticides."

In January, EAC joined other organizations, including the Environmental Working Group and Pesticide Action Network, and the City of Berkeley in a lawsuit against the California Department of Food and Agriculture's (CDFA) programmatic environmental impact report (report) for pest management. Under the report – prepared by CDFA – the agency gives itself broad authority to spray 79 pesticides anywhere in the state, at any time into the indefinite future. CDFA can decide to spray with no additional analysis of the local health and environmental effects and no option for affected communities to stop the spray. While CDFA says it will give notice to residents in areas to be imminently sprayed, the program allows CDFA to then proceed without considering any public input, even when, for example, new pests, new pesticides, or new spray areas have been added.

Under this plan, CDFA could spray schools, organic farms, and waterways with no notice or further environmental review. The 79 pesticides authorized in the new plan are known to cause cancer, birth defects, miscarriages, reproductive damage, and to be highly toxic to bees and other pollinators, fish, birds, and other animals.

The report failed to evaluate numerous health and environmental risks of the spraying, including:

- the impacts of pesticide drift residues on infants, based on the unrealistic assertion that infants spend most of their time indoors and will never be exposed,
- the impacts of the pesticides on pregnant women, fetuses, the elderly, and those with chronic illnesses such as asthma,
- denying that pesticides applied under the program will ever reach water bodies or public drinking water supplies (the San Francisco Regional Water Board disputes CDFA's assertion), and
- failing to disclose CDFA's own pesticide use as well as pesticide use in the state by other agencies. As a result that the



public has no idea what the cumulative amounts or impacts of these pesticides will be.

The report found that there would be significant health and environmental impacts from CDFA's pesticide plan, but the agency gave itself authority to spray, approving the report, anyway. EAC joined the lawsuit because it found CDFA's approval to be shocking, from both a substantive and procedural standpoint, and unconscionable from a public and environmental health perspective.

In May, lawyers for EAC and other plaintiffs filed a motion for preliminary injunction in state court to try to force CDFA to publicly disclose and analyze any pesticide spraying it conducts that poses risks to people, wildlife and the environment. The groups filed the motion as CDFA began spraying residential neighborhoods in Sacramento with three pesticides (carbaryl, cyfluthrin and imidacloprid) that are linked to cancer, birth defects, miscarriages and are extremely toxic to bees. The spraying, aimed at killing Japanese beetles, has been conducted numerous times in same area since the 1980s.

For EAC, the bottom line is the public has a right to know when and where dangerous pesticides that threaten our public health, wildlife and water supplies are being sprayed before the spraying begins.

EAC Supports Tule elk, Sustainable Agriculture in Point Reyes National Seashore



“Point Reyes can be, and is, a shining example of how small-scale family farming and the protection of national park resources can coexist.”

*- Amy Trainer,
New York Times
May 18, 2015*

EAC is a strong defender of the native Tule elk in Point Reyes National Seashore (Seashore). EAC believes the recovery of the elk population in the Seashore – the only national park that has native Tule elk – is a success story worth celebrating. EAC has spent many hours listening to community concerns, meeting with members of the agricultural community, exploring management options, and trying to chart a path forward that does not include a bitter, needless fight.

Concurrently, EAC has been in productive conversations with many of the Seashore’s organic dairy operators and cattle ranch operators. Together we are addressing a wide range of topics of interest to us all, including the free-roaming native Tule elk population. Coming to the meetings in a spirit of cooperation and respect, we are gaining a better understanding of each other’s needs and concerns.

EAC believes that ongoing management of the free-roaming herd is needed and that their economic impacts to some of the agricultural leaseholders are real. However, here also there is no simple solution; the Seashore will need to employ a variety of near- and long-term management methods to allow the free-roaming elk and ranches

to co-exist. We commend the Seashore’s commitment to ongoing testing for Johne’s Disease to ensure the health of the free-roaming herd.

We can work together to find solutions that protect national park resources and our magnificent Tule elk while supporting ongoing small-scale family farms.

Carolyn Longstreth retires from EAC Board

EAC offers its special thanks to Carolyn Longstreth, who served on the EAC Board of Directors for nine years. Carolyn’s leadership has been outstanding, and her presence will be greatly missed.

She served as President of EAC for several years, and led the search for a new Executive Director, which resulted in the hiring of Amy Trainer.

She co-founded the Point Reyes Birding and Nature Festival, and has been a stalwart in assuring the Festival’s success. She has spent countless hours volunteering on various aspects of each of the first six Festivals. This year, she organized the volunteers for the Festival Banquet.

Carolyn is an outstanding leader of numerous conservation endeavors, and we wish her well!



EAC's Oil Spill Prevention & Response Initiative Timely

With the recent oil spill disaster off the Santa Barbara Coast, EAC's work since 2013 on a statewide initiative to improve oil spill prevention, preparedness and response in California has become more important than ever.

On May 19th a severely corroded oil onshore pipeline ruptured, spilling over 100,000 gallons of oil into the ocean at Refugio Beach north of Santa Barbara. As numerous newspaper articles reported, the response effort lagged and it was several hours after the oil spill happened that response equipment reached the spill. According to reliable local sources, it was several more hours before the spill response equipment was deployed to actively begin on-water cleanup operations. Because time is of the essence when spill oil leaks into the marine environment, this delay in oil spill response prompted calls for changes in existing law.

Within two weeks tarballs from the spilled oil were washing up on the shore and had spread south nearly 100 miles, forcing the closure of beaches in Long Beach and beyond. EAC has been advocating for improved oil spill prevention and response equipment that meets the "best available



Archival photograph of petition art used to collect over 10,000 online signatures to advance SB788 in May 2015.

technology" standard that is required by California law. Improvements include purchasing new high-efficiency oil skimmers, prohibiting the use of chemical dispersants in state waters, and training fishermen to be an integral part of the oil spill response – a capability similar to the program used in Prince William Sound, Alaska.

County Delays Local Coastal Plan Update

EAC will remain engaged to uphold strong protections for our coastal resources.

In our coastal areas Marin county regulates land uses subject to the Local Coastal Program (LCP), the governing document certified in 1981 by the California Coastal Commission. Updating these regulations has become a six-year marathon for county planners and the concerned public. EAC has continuously participated in workshops and public hearings; we are determined to preserve the protection of our coastal resources while enabling family farms to develop additional housing for family members.

In May 2014, the Commission met in Inverness and approved part one of the update (the Land Use Plan), adopting

key modifications recommended by public comments and the staff. At the request of the county, a decision on part two (the implementing regulations) was postponed because the County was unable to find agreement with Commission staff recommendations. At the hearing in San Rafael this May, to the frustration of many, the County withdrew the entire amendment in order to propose still further revisions. At this writing, it is unclear if or when the county will submit a revised application and how soon Commission staff would be able to process it. EAC will remain engaged to uphold strong protections for our coastal resources.

Progress in Restoring Tomales Dunes at Lawson's Landing

Lawson's Landing, the Tomales Bay campground in the midst of rare coastal dunes and wetlands that EAC campaigned for 40 years to protect is making progress meeting the requirements of the 2011 Coastal Development Permit (CDP) has been steady, but slow. Thankfully, former EAC Executive Director, Catherine Caufield, has continued to be engaged with the project.

One condition of the CDP was that a Hydrological Assessment (HA) be prepared in order to identify measures that will increase inundation and soil saturation within the Tomales wetland/dunes complex. Kamman Hydrology and Engineering has just released a Draft HA, based on a review of past data and two years of monitoring of ground and surface waters. The Scientific Review Panel is currently commenting on this draft study. The final document will contain recommendations that will guide the Protection, Restoration and Enhancement Plan (PREP) for the wetlands and other sensitive habitats on the property.

Unfortunately, the required Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Plan is long overdue. The owners argue that they cannot submit a plan until the HA is completed. EAC supports taking as long as necessary

to design and build the best wastewater treatment system for this sensitive site. However, as we noted in a letter to the Coastal Commission last December, there is no provision for extending the July 13, 2016 deadline for removing the several hundred "permanent" travel trailers from the beachfront. "Removing these units will significantly reduce the camping capacity at Lawson's Landing until the new wastewater disposal system is in place and new camping units or spaces can be introduced.

[I]t is essential that the applicants submit a design for this system as soon as possible. Otherwise we anticipate a painful period between the loss of the trailers from Areas 1 & 2 and the installation of a new wastewater system and new camping units or spaces. That pain for the owners could result in applications for continued use of existing units and the existing septic systems, something we would strongly oppose."

EAC continues to partner with the Coastal Commission, the Lawson family and the Scientific Review Panel, all of whom are working to ensure that the Tomales wetlands and dunes are restored and that Lawson's Landing becomes a model for other coastal campgrounds.

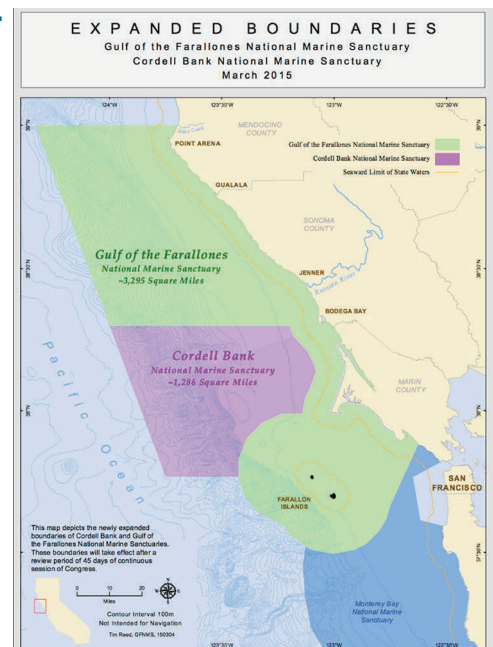
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National Marine Sanctuaries Expanded

After years of dedicated advocacy by former Congresswoman Lynn Woolsey, and recently Congressman Jared Huffman, as well as collaborative efforts by dozens of interested stakeholders, Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary has been expanded from 529 to 1,286 square miles. Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary has been expanded from 1,282 to 3,295 square miles.

EAC was a strong supporter for the expansion, and participated in public hearings to advocate in favor of protecting the nutrient-rich upwelling waters that originate from Point Arena and flow south to the Golden Gate. These uniquely productive marine waters feed a wealth of marine wildlife, including whales, seals, dolphins, and seabirds, many of which are threatened or endangered species.

As a result of the expansion, Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary now will be known as Greater Farallones National Marine Sanctuary. - NOAA



EAC Leads the Fight to Protect Native Plants

EAC is organizing conservation groups to write to the Superintendents of the Seashore and GGNRA, asking them to devote more of their own resources to fighting invasive plants.

Many scientists believe that invasion of native habitats by weedy non-native species is the second greatest threat to California biodiversity after climate change.

Point Reyes National Seashore and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) harbor dozens of rare and common native plants, but many of these are threatened by the invasion of non-native plants. Many native birds, mammals, and insects that rely on native plants for sustenance are also threatened.

EAC is taking strong action to fight back these invasions, and prevent new ones. EAC Board Members Jerry Meral and Bridger Mitchell organized volunteers to mechanically remove Scotch and French broom in Inverness and along the borders of the Seashore, which threatened to invade Seashore lands. Many thanks to Alfonso Ramirez, a West Marin landscaper, who donated crews for two whole days to help in this effort this Spring.

EAC asked Tomales Bay State Park to fight a variety of invasive plants, including Pampas and Jubata Grass in the boundaries of the State Park. Jerry Meral and former EAC Board Member Tom Gaman organized a boat field trip for State Park staff to see the problem, and they responded positively. They will work on invasive plant elimination this fall.

EAC will fight these invasive plants vigorously, and encourages all those who live in West Marin to tear out invasives on their own property. English Ivy is especially bad in Inverness, and so please cut English Ivy that is crawling up trees, and tear out as much of it as possible.

If you'd like to help EAC in this effort, please contact us at events@eacmarin.org.



EAC Board Member, Jerry Meral, removing Scotch and French broom in Inverness.

Huge Hidden Dragon House Withdrawn

A major residential complex (Hidden Dragon) in Inverness Park that EAC opposed was withdrawn in March. With 12 bedrooms and 14 bathrooms proposed to be constructed amidst a large Douglas fir forest, the more than 10,000 square foot project would be four times the floor area of the median residence in the area and created serious concern by many neighbors and EAC. The project has been viewed by many as a potential harbinger of other large-scale development in West Marin. The owners may resubmit a residential plan with revised and relocated second-unit/studio plans and results from well-drawdown tests. The application has spurred EAC to propose that new residences in the Inverness Ridge area be limited to 4,000 square feet, much as new development in Pt. Reyes Station already may not exceed 4,000 square feet.



Posted notice at 135 Balboa Avenue in Inverness Park. Photo by Frankie Frost — Marin Independent Journal.

Another Successful Point Reyes Bird Festival



Birding Chileno Valley with Bob Power. Photograph by Terrie Schweitzer

Hundreds of eager birders and nature lovers attended the 2015 Point Reyes Birding and Nature Festival, held at dozens of locations throughout western Marin and Sonoma Counties at the end of April. Nearly 200 species of birds were seen on the outings, which were led by experienced guides

Some of the Festival highlights were exciting talks by noted bird experts. Allen Fish, Director of the Golden Gate Raptor Observatory, regaled the attendees with stories from Hawk Hill, a famous site in the Marin Headlands noted for the thousands of hawks and other raptors which migrate through the area each Fall.

Steve Howell, a world famous birding guide who lives in Bolinas, spoke at the Saturday Night Festival banquet on "Shift Happens", an informative and humorous explanation of why birds who normally live

in Asia, Central America or the Eastern United States regularly show up in West Marin.

Steve also led the second annual Rich Stallcup Memorial outing for young birders. One of the goals of the Festival is to introduce youngsters to the wonderful world of nature observation and birding. We hope to show these young people the benefits of taking action to preserve wildlife.

The Festival did not just concentrate on birds. Field hikes focused on the many flowering plants in West Marin, whales and other marine mammals, tracking mammals, nature photography, and butterflies.

Special thanks to the dozens of volunteers who donated their time to make the Festival a great success.

SAVE THE DATE!

**October 11, 2015
Pelagic Trip
to Cordell Bank.**

Reserve your spot
contact us at
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or call (415)663-9312

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Birding Pacific Plate
Photograph by David Wimpfheimer



2nd Annual Rich Stallcup Memorial Walk for Young Birders.
Photograph by Morgan Patton

Tracking Coastal Protection Bills in State Legislature

EAC received grant funding this winter to track coastal protection legislation in the Capitol. Here's a summary of the key bills EAC has been supporting:

“Preserving the spectacular, and uniquely special place that is West Marin is hard work!

EAC is the only organization committed to doing the tough policy and advocacy work necessary to preserve it.

It takes the support of our community to ensure we have the resources to make sure our voice is heard, to stay engaged and defend what matters to us all!”

*- Amy Trainer,
EAC Annual
Member's Meeting
2015*

Assembly Bill 988 – Outdoor Environmental Education and Recreation Grants Program: This bill would require the Department of Parks and Recreation to establish, on or before March 30, 2016, an Outdoor Environmental Education and Recreation Grants Program with the purpose of increasing the ability of underserved and at-risk populations to participate in outdoor recreation and educational experiences by awarding grants to public organizations, nonprofit organizations, or both. AB 988 passed out of the Assembly in early June, and is advancing in the Senate.

Assembly Bill 888 – Plastic Microbeads Ban: This bill would prohibit the sale of personal care products containing more than 1 part per million (ppm) by weight of plastic microbeads, as defined, in the state of California after January 1, 2020. AB 888 passed out of the Assembly in early June, and is advancing in the Senate.

Senate Bills 32 and 350 – Climate Change Package: SB 32 sets an enforceable greenhouse gas reduction target of 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050, with the California Air Resources Board to approve interim targets for 2030 and 2040 to ensure the state remains on track. SB 350 takes the next steps to advance our clean energy economy and create jobs by increasing renewable energy, improving the energy efficiency of our buildings, and reducing petroleum use throughout the state. California is already proving that addressing climate change and building a thriving economy can go hand-in-hand, and SB 350 would continue California's leadership. SB 32 and 350 passed out of the Senate in early June.



State Senator Mike McGuire, EAC Executive Director Amy Trainer, and Congressman Jared Huffman at EAC's Annual Member's Meeting June 19, 2015

These bills are advancing in the Assembly.

SB 788 – California Coastal Protection Act of 2015: The 1994 California Coastal Sanctuary Act contains a loophole in Public Resource Code Sec. 6244 that authorizes the State Lands Commission (SLC) to enter into a new lease for oil or gas extraction in the Tranquillon Ridge oil field off the Santa Barbara coast if certain findings are made. SB 788 would eliminate that loophole, and therefore SLC would have no authority to enter into a new offshore oil lease under PRC 6244. SB 788 passed out of the Senate in early June, and is advancing in the Assembly.

SB 414 – Rapid Oil Spill Response Act: The devastating oil spill off the Santa Barbara coastline on May 19th had a much slower response time than it should have, and time is of the essence when oil hits the marine environment. This bill would add measures to California's oil spill prevention and preparedness program to significantly enhance oil spill response, make it more efficient as well as environmentally friendly. This bill passed out of the Senate in June and is advancing in the Assembly.

It's your backyard and playground. Help us protect it!

We all know Marin's environmental legacy "didn't just happen." **Please don't take the wild lands, wildlife, and magnificent vistas of West Marin for granted.** We live in a special place, conserved and protected through the dedicated efforts of creative and caring individuals and organizations.

Since 1971, the Environmental Action Committee of West Marin (EAC) has worked tirelessly to preserve the Point Reyes National Seashore, the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, and all the favorite spots you love to explore and enjoy in West Marin.

With your help, we will stop the State's massive pesticide spraying proposal, uphold strong coastal protection policies, and stop ill-conceived development proposals.

Support EAC and together we will continue our environmental legacy and preserve the best of West Marin!

How to Help

Join EAC

Become a member of EAC by joining online or by sending a check in the enclosed donation envelope. Any donations over \$250 are considered major donations and qualify donors for private naturalist hikes, and other special events!

Become a Steward

Donate to EAC on a monthly basis through our online giving program. A donation of only \$10-\$35 a month makes a huge difference to our organization.

Become a Volunteer

We need volunteers to help with our MPA Watch program, event coordination, and other administrative functions. If you have time to give, contact us today!

"The coast is never saved, it's always being saved."

- Peter Douglas

Ways to Give

Online: www.eacmarin.org

Mail: PO Box 609, Point Reyes, 94956

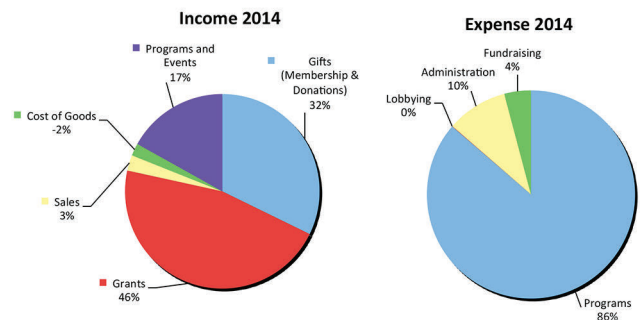
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2014 Financial Review

INCOME		
Gifts (Membership & Donations)	\$	95,994
Grants	\$	137,559
Sales	\$	7,772
Cost of Goods	\$	(6,101)
Programs and Events	\$	50,346
Interest & Dividends Earned	\$	156
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	285,725
EXPENSE		
Programs	\$	215,925
Lobbying	\$	125
Administration	\$	23,718
Fundraising	\$	10,327
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$	250,095
ASSETS		
Operating Account	\$	157,247
Reserve Funds	\$	72,437
Accounts Receivable	\$	150
Prepaid Expenses	\$	2,396
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	229,684
LIABILITIES		
Other Liabilities	\$	1,576
TOTAL LIABILITY	\$	1,576
EQUITY		
Unrestricted Fund Balance	\$	90,698
Restricted Fund Balance	\$	136,682
TOTAL EQUITY	\$	227,380
TOTAL LIABILITY & EQUITY	\$	228,956

EAC is West Marin's only grassroots environmental organization working to protect West Marin. We are tenacious and highly effective! EAC dedicates over 86% of our costs directly to programs.

Your gift is part of a legacy to current and future generations - support our important, and effective work today!





Coyote howling at sunset on the shore of Drakes Estero Wilderness, January 2015. Photo by Daniel Dietrich

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EAC Member Events Calendar

For more information on events and to save your place, contact us at events@eacmarin.org or call the office at (415) 663-9312.

Marin MPA Watch Group Survey at Limantour Beach

August 20th: 10am-2pm. Join us for training and survey to Limantour Spit.

California Coastal Clean Up Day and Marine Debris Art Showcase

September 19: 10am-2pm. Come out and participate in California's largest beach clean up day at Drakes Beach and view marine debris art on display.

Millerton Creek Ranch Guided Naturalist Hike

September 26: 10am-1pm. Space limited, \$35 non-members, \$25 members.

Piper on the Ridge

September 27: 5:30pm. Come out for the annual EAC tradition on the top of Mt. Vision. Enjoy the sunset and a picnic listening to bag piper Dan McNear.

Litter Bugs Me

September 27 - October 3rd: 5:30pm. Join a team to pick up roadside trash over the week to keep our roadsides trash free!

Pelagic Trip to Cordell Bank

October 11th: 7:30am-4:30pm. Full day excursion to view seabirds and marine mammals off the coast. Space is limited. \$155 non-members, \$140 members.

2015 Bird Festival attendees eligible for member rate.



PLEASE RECYCLE

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION COMMITTEE OF WEST MARIN (EAC)
serves as a public watchdog on environmental and development
matters, initiates restoration projects, and promotes public awareness
of important issues facing West Marin. We rely almost entirely on
our members for funding. Members receive newsletters, action
alerts, invitations to special events, and the satisfaction of knowing
they are helping to preserve and protect the land, water and wildlife
of West Marin.

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- Please add me to your wildly popular email action alert list.
- Please send me information about remembering EAC in my estate plan.
- I'd like this contribution to remain anonymous.

If you would like more information or want to volunteer with EAC, please call 415-663-9312.

Yes I want to help EAC protect scenic West Marin by ensuring coastal and land use laws are followed, minimizing development in sensitive habitats, and restoring threatened and endangered species.

Here's my tax-deductible contribution of:

\$50 \$75 \$100 \$250 Other \$ _____

_____ Check enclosed (make payable to EAC)

_____ Charge to Visa Mastercard

Card# _____ Expires _____/_____

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 *We appreciate your help. The more you give, the more we can do.*

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