

Mission Statement



Horsetown-Clear Creek Preserve

The purpose of Horsetown-Clear Creek Preserve is to retain, preserve, restore, and, if possible, augment the publicly-owned lands surrounding Clear Creek in the vicinity of Saeltzer Dam and the site of Horsetown, Shasta County, California, and to manage them as a natural preserve for the public.

Goals of HCCP:

- To promote nature-related education by serving as an outdoor classroom and open-air learning center where children can explore the natural sciences and learn the value of stewardship and resource responsibility;
- To provide walking trails and opportunities for quiet, low-impact, nature-related recreation including hiking, wildlife observation, photography, fishing, bicycling, picnicking, horseback riding, nature study, jogging, etc.;
- To help restore and protect the anadromous fishery in Clear Creek;
- To preserve, study, and interpret local history;
- To protect and restore habitat, including soils, native vegetation and fauna;
- To provide access to nature for handicapped and disabled;

The above goals are mutually compatible and supportive and are gentle, even restorative, to the land. They represent multiple use, serve a large cross section of the public, and offer an opportunity for intimate involvement of the citizens, and effective government/private partnerships. The Preserve has involved, and shall continue to involve, countless organizations, agencies, educators, experts, volunteers, and interested people in pursuing the above goals with maximum dedication and at minimum cost.