

**MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT  
STAFF REPORT**

**BOARD MEETING:** January 10, 2018

**SUBJECT:** California Wildlife Day (Save the Date)

**PRESENTER:** Jackie Nelson, Environmental Education Supervisor

**REPORT:** MPRPD, the Carmel River Watershed Conservancy and partnering organizations are hosting the inaugural California Wildlife Day Celebration at Garland Ranch Regional Park on Saturday, March 24, 2018 from 10 am to 2 pm, in recognition of the March 2017 Senate Bill annually recognizing California Wildlife Day (CWD) on the Spring Equinox (Attachment 1).

CWD promotes environmental protection and awareness to help Californians preserve the natural beauty and diversity of the state for future generations.

Plans for this family friendly event are in development and include the unveiling of new permanent exhibits at the GRRP visitor center; student poetry, art and scientific poster contests and displays for grades K12; arts and crafts activities hosted by the Santa Lucia Conservancy; interactive booths, special presentations, including a falconer with live birds; guided discovery walks; interactive booths; music; opening presentations; a Rumsien Blessing by Linda Yamane; and more.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Minimal fiscal impact with amounts to be determined. Co-sponsors are setting aside funds for this event.

**FUNDING SOURCE:** Funds are allocated in the MPRPD adopted budget FY2017-2018: Special Events-6354.

**FUNDING BALANCE:** Current funding balance for account #6354 is \$948.79, as of December 29, 2017. \$1,000 is budgeted for this account.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Board of Directors are respectfully invited to join this inaugural event. Please contact Jackie Nelson for more information or to RSVP.

Attachment 1: California Wildlife Day flier.



You're Invited to

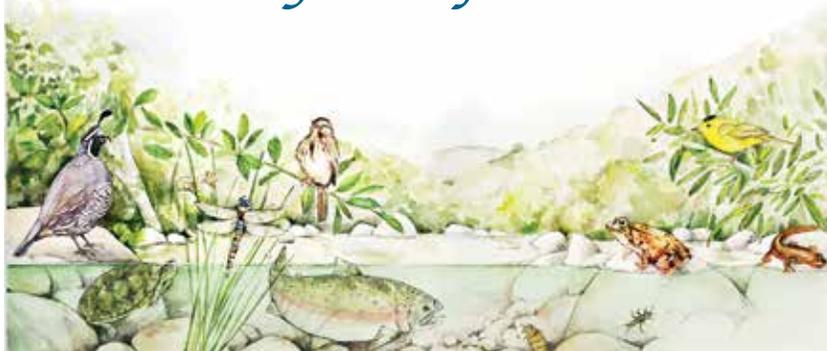
# California Wildlife Day!

Saturday, March 24, 2018 from 10 am - 2 pm  
at Garland Ranch Regional Park

*Be a part of this first annual California Wildlife Day celebration!  
California Wildlife Day will, from now on, be recognized on the Spring Equinox of each year.  
Join us for this special inaugural celebration of California's wildlife!*

Native American **Linda Yamane** will give a blessing during the opening ceremony.  
Come to enjoy interactive booths, arts & crafts, special presentations, nature and  
discovery walks, and art, poetry, and poster contests.

*Let nature and the wilderness  
be your inspiration.*



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Co-hosted by the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District and the Carmel River Watershed Conservancy  
Sponsored by MEarth, the Santa Lucia Conservancy, and the Carmel Valley Association.