Water Day 2014 Agenda

9 AM Doors Open – Coffee, Bagels, Fresh Fruit – Mingle, Posters, Vendors

10 AM – Opening Remarks by Alli Freedland, Moderator

10:05- 10:10 AM - Welcome by Humboldt County Supervisor Estelle Fennell

10:10 – 10:30 - Erick Burres (State Water Resources Control Board Volunteer Coordinator) - Keynote – Working Together to Keep the Eel River Fishable, Swimmable, and Drinkable

10:30-Noon Pulse of the Eel

10:30-10:45: Keith Bouma-Gregson (UC Berkeley Researcher) – Blue Green Algae
10:45 – 11:00: Pat Higgins (ERRP Coordinator) – The Fish and the Effect of Low Flows
11:00 – 11:20: Dr. Andrew Stubblefield (HSU Associate Professor) – The Forests

11:40-Noon Panel Discussion

Noon-1 PM - Lunch (Humboldt Grass-fed Beef Chili & Vegetarian Option)

1:00-1:15 PM: Ernie Merrifield – Native American Perspective: Can People of the Eel River Become a Harmony-Based Culture?

1:15 - 5:00 PM: Elements of Watershed Harmony

1:15 - 2:45 PM – Tom Grover (Chair, Educator) – How Too - Using Water Smarter: Conservation & Pollution Prevention
- Larry Desmond (Mendocino Water Works): Planning Your Water System to Meet Your Needs with Maximum Efficiency
- Anna Birkas (Ecosystem Villages): Ecologically Sound Living – Rainwater Capture and Grey-Water Systems
- Kyle Keegan (Permaculture Expert): Permaculture – Better Yield and No Pollution
- Daniel Mar (High tide Permaculture): Getting Communities Aware of Permaculture
- Bill Arthur (Sanctuary Forest): Planning Water Use at the Community Level – Upper Mattole Case Study
- (Coast Central Credit Union): Financing Water Storage or Other Infrastructure Improvements

2:15-2:45 PM - Panel (30 minutes)
2:45-3:15 PM BREAK: (COOKIES UPSTAIRS)

3:15-4:30 Jeff Hedin (Chair) – Restoring Forests & Watershed Health
- Daniel Stein (Southern Humboldt Fire Safe Council): Can Reducing Fire Risk Improve Water Supply?
- Hezikiah Allan (Institute for Sustainable Forestry): Getting Our Culture Forest-Health Oriented
- Matt Cocking (Natural Resources Conservation Service): NRCS Programs That Can Assist Land Owners with Improving Forest Health
- Tom LeRoy (Pacific Watershed Associates) – Designing and Building Roads to Protect Clean Water and So You Can Get Home on a Stormy Night
- Joe Scriven (Mendocino County Resource Conservation District) – Funding Opportunities for Partnerships with the RCD
- Mark Welther (Redwood Forest Foundation) – How Community Forests Can Restore Forest and Watershed Health
- Jeff Hedin (ERRP Wilderness Committee): Protecting Intact Watershed Areas to Guard Our Water Supply and Preserve Biodiversity

4:00 PM-4:30 PM - Panel Discussion

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM Sal Steinberg (ERRP Education Committee Chair) – Healthy Children – Getting Students Involved in Eel River Watershed Studies – Can we Make It Happen Everywhere?

- Panel: Sal Steinberg, Diane Higgins, Paul Trichilo, Barbara Domanchuk, Cat McAdams, Dan Levinson

5:00-6:00 PM Poster Session (Organic Beer & Wine & BBQ Oysters)

6:00 – 7:30 PM Dinner: Lingcod or Rockfish Dinner & Entertainment from Human Nature Theater Company: Queen Bud vs. Coho Jr