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# THE GRIZZLY REPORT















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We have finalized <u>our partners</u> for the 2022-2023 service year and our staff is currently hard at work recruiting the newest cohort of fellows.

Grizzlies have also begun to plan for life after AmeriCorps with the end of the year lying just around the corner. So far from our current cohort:

- 13 fellows have offers to work with their current host site
- 5 fellows plan to return for a second year of GrizzlyCorps
- 7 fellows will attend graduate school in the fall
- 6 fellows accepted full time job offers that start at the end of this service year

Stay tuned as more plans and details of next year's GrizzlyCorps fellows are solidified in the coming months!



As the end of the second service year nears, we are thrilled to send off our second cohort in a two part celebration. Virtual Graduation Presentations from each fellow will run throughout the month of July, followed by an in-person whitewater river rafting trip with the cohort. See below for the zoom link that will be used for all presentations:

• https://berkeley.zoom.us/j/95661658087

Click here to view our full schedule of presentations.













(Stinson Beach, CA) A group of Grizzlies recently attended a Basic Wildland Firefighter training with #FireForward at Audubon Canyon Ranch, which aims to a mobile unit of prescribed fire and understory thinning



(Fullerton, CA) Fellows Pauline and Nick presented at the 2022 Southern meeting, co-creating an analysis of "Native Plants on Working Landscapes: Trends in Water-Wise Agriculture & Fire Prevention Strategies.'

(Santa Rosa, CA) Grizzlies gathered from all around the state to celebrate #earthday for our very own Spring Festival hosted at Pepperwood Preserve. After spending the morning pulling invasive species, the group of fellows built around -20 piles of on-site brush and vegetation that will be burned.





## NEW PARTNERS



Forestry and Fire Recruitment Program (Oakland, CA) firefighters and those currently incarcerated in California's and Forestry sector. FFRP was developed in direct response to the growing need for wildfire-related personnel.

#### White Buffalo Land Trust (Lompoc, CA)

systems of Regenerative Agriculture for local, regional, and global impact. This includes developing Regenerative Agriculture



#### Mariposa Trails (Mariposa, CA)

promotes train use for daventure, nearth, stewardship, education and community prosperity. It is run and operated entirely by volunteers who have a passion for the outdoors and our mission. Known as an organization that gets things done, our energy is drawn from the belief that individuals, communities and the planet can all thrive together, and that this health is attained through relationships of reciprocity.



### Communities build gardens and gardens build community



BY ELLE HARLOW 4/01/22

Close your eyes and picture this: You hear the sound of children laughing and shrieking with wonder; adults nearby talk joyfully. Some of the conversations around you are in Spanish, some in English, and some a mixture of both. You feel the delicate roots of a seedling in your hands, and the soil beneath you as you carve out a home for the seedling. It smells like fresh soil, with a tinge of manure compost, and morning coffee being poured. These are the sensations I was experiencing at a community garden workday on a recent Saturday morning in Healdsburg.

Farm to Pantry, the organization that I am with for my GrizzlyCorps fellowship, is a ... (Read the rest here.)

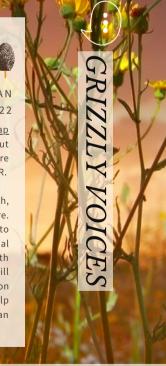
## It is simple: just listen



BY LAURA BEDOYAN 5/25/22

Please take a moment to read through this story-map created by the Karuk Wildlife Team to learn more about the resilience of the Karuk people and what future projects lie ahead for the Wildlife Department at KDNR.

Listening to each other's stories is essential for growth, especially in our western-oriented societal culture. These digital story-maps have the potential to showcase perspectives and promote change in tribal communities. Despite there being challenges with working remotely, listening to these stories can still continue with this online web-service. While in-person conversations are more meaningful, this link can help share the Karuk tribe's story so that more people can listen and be a part of ... (Read the rest here.)





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