



L O W E R P U T A H C R E E K C O O R D I N A T I N G C O M M I T T E E

TO: Interested Persons
FROM: Max Stevenson, Streamkeeper
DATE: Aug 13, 2026, 3:00-4:30 PM

SUBJECT: Agenda for Aug 13, 2026, Meeting of the Lower Putah Creek Coordinating in-person at 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 202, Vacaville, California 95688 from 3:00 to 4:30 PM.

#	time	Item
1	3:00	Approval of the Current Agenda: Members can remove items, add items subject to Brown Act Emergency Rules, or suggest future agenda items.
2	3:15	Approval of Minutes: Review Minutes from June 11, 2026
3	3:20	Public Comment: The public may comment on matters pertaining to Putah Creek.
4	3:25	Pattern Calendar (Annual Recurring Tasks): a) Fall attraction flow timing b) Interagency Communication updates c) Grant Application Updates d) Fish Monitoring Updates
5	3:45	Solano County Water Agency Mission: Overview for LPCCC (Alex Rabidoux)
6	4:15	Streamkeeper Report
7	4:30	Next Meeting: September 10, 2026

This meeting is in-person.

There is an option for public participation by zoom.

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*The Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Committee consists of:
 Cities of Davis, Fairfield, Suisun City, Vacaville, Vallejo and Winters; Counties of Solano and Yolo;
 Solano and Yolo Riparian Landowners; Maine Prairie Water District; Solano County Water Agency;
 Solano Irrigation District; Putah Creek Council and University of California, Davis*

LOWER PUTAH CREEK COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2026

Meeting in person at 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Vacaville, CA 95688 (Zoom available for public)

Attendees: Carol Scianna, Turrid Reid, Herb Wimmer, Tara Thronson, Patrick Huber, JP Marie, Tim Hawkins, Chris Lee, Michael Hether, Sayetzi Sanchez, Kelly Huff, Liz Reay, Melissa Cansdale

Staff and Public: Max Stevenson, Andy Inglis, Elizabeth Patterson, Jay Cuetara, Tim Salamunovich

Convened at: 3:00 PM **Quorum:** Yes

1. Approval of the Current Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. The agenda was adopted unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes of May 14, 2026 Meeting

A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 14, 2026 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

4. Pattern Calendar

Interagency Communication Updates – Stevenson reported that the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes science committee is increasing its work on salmon counts, habitat commitments, and flow-related actions in coordination with the California Department of Water Resources and California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Other interagency updates were included in the Streamkeeper Report.

Operations Budget – Stevenson presented the most recently available quarterly operations budget, noting that an updated quarter-end report was not yet available. Members discussed the planned reduction in nursery operations, correction of a capital-assets accounting classification, and the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes budget line. Staff explained that the table is a Solano County Water Agency budget summary, not a separate LPCCC budget, and that the Healthy Rivers and Landscapes entry reflects cost-sharing and accounting for ongoing Putah Creek restoration and watershed-management work.

LPCCC Operations Budget Report					
FY 2025-2026*					
(does not include grants)					
Operations Budget					
As of 03/31/2026 =9/12 =75% of FY					
^ These funds come from LPCCC operations (variable) # These funds come from SCWA as funding (Fixed)					
Item	ACCORD REQUIRED CONTRIBUTIONS	Initial Annual Budget	3/31/2026	%	YTD Remain
# SCWA Contribution Vegetation - 6130SC		\$ 17,054	\$ 1,249	7%	\$ 15,806
# SCWA Contribution Wildlife - 6148SC		\$ 93,798	\$ 93,441	100%	\$ 356
# SCWA Contribution Fish Monitoring - 6149SC		\$ 93,798	\$ 23,655	25%	\$ 70,143
#SCWA Contribution Misc Supplies - 6199SC		\$ 10,000	\$ 3,246	32%	\$ 6,754
# SCWA Contribution Streamkeeper Salary&Benefits		\$ 68,217	\$ 51,162	75%	\$ 17,054
TOTAL ACCORD REQUIRED CONTRIBUTIONS		\$ 282,866	\$ 172,754	61%	\$ 110,112
ADDITIONAL SCWA SUPPORT - NON-ACCORD ITEMS					
SK # SCWA Contribution Streamkeeper Salary&Benefits		\$ 166,688	\$ 125,817	75%	\$ 40,871
#SCWA Contribution Nursery - 6183SC		\$ 224,601	\$ 64,585	29%	\$ 160,016
* #SCWA LPCCC Services-billable - 6179SC		\$ -			\$ -
#SCWA Equipment -Purchase/repairs less recycle reimb-6181SC		\$ 55,000	\$ 23,655	43%	\$ 31,345
#Labor - SCWA- LPCCC 6950SC-5602		\$ 101,851	\$ 84,735	83%	\$ 17,115
#Labor- LPCCC Equip 6950SC-5602		\$ 131,368	\$ 31,215	24%	\$ 100,153
#Labor-LPCCC Others 6950SC-5605		\$ -	\$ 4,758	#DIV/0!	\$ (4,758)
#Labor SCWA LPCCC Non-Reimbursable grant support(Non SK)		\$ -		#DIV/0!	\$ -
Lower Putah Creek-Non Accord Support Consultants -6620SC		\$ 122,000	\$ 73,778	60%	\$ 48,222
Healthy Rivers & Landscapes 6618SC		\$ 1,153,348	\$ 556,380	48%	\$ 596,968
Capital Assets - 5500SC		\$ 391,000	\$ 197,756	51%	\$ 193,244
^ Nursery 3rd Party Sales Income -4922SC					
		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -
* ^LPCCC Services Invoiced - 4978SC		\$ -		#DIV/0!	\$ -
^Equipment Rental 3rd Party - 4981SC		\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
^ Grant Equipment Reimbursement-Usage - 4150SC		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -
SK ^Grant Labor Streamkeeper-Reimbursement		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -
Net Addtl SCWA Non-Accord Contributions		\$ 2,345,856	\$ 1,162,680	50%	\$ 1,183,176

5. Annual Terrestrial Wildlife Monitoring Report

Andy Inglis of the UC Davis Museum of Wildlife and Fish Biology presented an overview of the terrestrial wildlife monitoring program, now in its twenty-sixth year. The program was established under the Putah Creek Accord to evaluate wildlife response to rewatering and habitat restoration, provide information for adaptive management, advance riparian ecology science, and create field-learning opportunities for UC Davis students.

Inglis described the creek-wide monitoring network and long-term bird surveys, along with periodic surveys of mammals, bats, reptiles, and amphibians. The program has documented substantial wildlife diversity along Putah Creek, produced nearly twenty peer-reviewed publications, and supported grant applications, restoration planning, and management decisions. Discussion addressed long-term changes in bird communities, climate and temperature effects, sensitive species, the relationship between restored habitat and adjacent lands, and continued coordination among terrestrial, aquatic, and stream-monitoring teams. Inglis emphasized that the long-term dataset provides a rare opportunity to evaluate how wildlife recolonizes and responds to restoration over time.

6. Green LiDAR and Water Temperature Monitoring on Putah Creek

Stevenson reviewed the extensive water-temperature record for Putah Creek, including earlier studies and more recent monitoring. Historical findings indicate that creek temperature is strongly influenced by flow, channel form, groundwater and tributary inputs, and large ponded reaches. Members discussed salmon temperature requirements and the persistence of warm conditions in lower reaches, including temperatures near 73 degrees Fahrenheit in portions of the creek during summer. Discussion also considered localized cooler-water inputs and the potential value of additional monitoring to identify thermal refuges and management opportunities.

Stevenson then presented an update on green LiDAR data collected from the lower creek and wildlife area upstream toward Pleasants Creek. The technology can map channel elevations beneath water and vegetation and has already supported multiple restoration, wetland, crossing, and geomorphic analyses. A longitudinal profile shows flat and ponded reaches that may contribute to warming. The next phase will combine LiDAR-derived channel geometry with temperature data to evaluate how restoration, grading, and flow management could extend cold-water habitat downstream.

7. Streamkeeper Report

Stevenson reviewed recent Streamkeeper activities and highlighted new information regarding juvenile salmon outmigration. Monitoring indicated that rain and cloudy conditions may improve downstream movement, suggesting that future spring pulse flows could potentially be coordinated with weather events or divided into multiple pulses. Stevenson and Alex Rabidoux have joined a Healthy Rivers and Landscapes working group focused on spring outflow pulses and juvenile salmon migration.

Stevenson reported on the Yolo Environmental Roundtable, where the record Putah Creek salmon run received strong public recognition.

Additional updates included participation in the Yolo Bypass fish-monitoring group, genetic comparison of fish rescued at Wallace Weir with Putah Creek salmon, and coordination with UC Davis and the City of Davis regarding the Old Davis Road wetland project and possible construction funding.

Activity Log:

- a) Yolo Bypass Fish Mon. COP 5/15, 5/22
- b) UCD fish monitoring coord. 5/18
- c) Yolo Enviro Roundtable 5/19
- d) UCD class –Putah analysis 5/20, 6/3
- e) DWR HRL GIS
- f) habitat data submission 5/21
- g) Putah Creek pulse flow timing 5/22

- h) HRL science statistical power 5/26
- i) Present Tuleyome "Science and You" 5/28
- j) UCD/City of Davis Old Davis Rd 5/29
- k) YCFCWCD – HRL meeting 5/29
- l) DWR HRL habitat comm. Mtg 6/4
- m) LPCCC Subcommittee 6/4
- n) In-person COP (Yolo Bypass Fish Mon) 6/5
- o) Tortuous path – UCD hydro lab 6/5
- p) 106a grant subcontracts 6/9
- q) HRL Science Comm 6/10
- r) Los Rios Check Dam target pond/flows
- s) LRCD Bypass 65% design review 6/8
- t) Green LIDAR thalweg QC-recalc 6/9
- u) Reports post to web project w/ Tuyet

8. Member Reports

Putah Creek Council reported no new items. The City of Winters reported on the annual Duck Derby and discussed the need to clarify ongoing maintenance responsibilities in the Winters Nature Park. The City of Davis reported that a controlled burn had been completed at the South Fork Preserve.

Stevenson also reported two encampments along the creek near UC Davis and the Old Davis Road/Mace Boulevard area. Property boundaries and agency responsibilities are being reviewed, and coordination will be needed among UC Davis, Solano County, and other partners for outreach and cleanup assistance.

9. Next Meeting

The Committee agreed to recess in July. The next regular LPCCC meeting will be held in August 2026.

Meeting adjourned at 4:22 PM.