

ACTION PLAN WORKSHEET

Topic 5: Restore Nature



Resources at coolpetaluma.org/action/nature

Goal 1: Protect & grow local habitat



Grow gardens:

- HABIT Sheet mulch lawns
- Grow habitat & pollinator gardens !
- Grow a community garden 🌻
- Plant & maintain street trees 📅

Save water outside:

- 1 x YR Apply compost & mulch 🏠📅
- Install drip irrigation 🏠
- Install rain garden 🏠
- Install rain barrels 🏠

Support wildlife:

- HABIT Avoid pesticides !
- HABIT Reduce noise pollution
- HABIT Protect night skies
- Become a beekeeper
- Build an owl or bat box 🌻
- Create wildlife corridors 😊

Goal 2: Restore watershed & oceans



Protect our watershed:

- HABIT Don't put toxins down the drain !
- HABIT Avoid toxins outside
- Volunteer for watershed cleanups 🌻
- Learn about our wetlands

Be careful with plastic:

- HABIT Prevent micro-plastics in drains
- HABIT Reduce single-use plastic

Protect & restore fisheries:

- HABIT Choose sustainable & less seafood
- HABIT Use reef-safe sunscreen

Goal 3: Restore land-based ecosystems



Protect forests:

- HABIT Avoid products driving deforestation
- HABIT Buy recycled content toilet paper !
- HABIT Stop junk mail
- HABIT Buy recycled content paper products

Return to natural systems:

- Learn about carbon farming 😊
- Learn about fire ecology 😊
- Learn the local bird calls 🌻
- Identify local wildflowers 🌻

Your own ideas:

Get engaged

Take Stock:

- Survey your block's street trees
- Tour the Petaluma River 🌻

Get Inspired:

- Watch/read/listen to learn more
- Attend a Daily Acts workshop 😊
- HABIT VOTE to support nature !



Key

- ! Extra important
- 🌻 Have some fun with it
- 😊 Extra cool
- 🏠 Building owner responsible
- 📅 Add to calendar to repeat

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Why?

We are a part of nature. We depend on the ecosystem to provide us with food, water, and everything else we need to survive!

Appreciating, protecting, and regenerating Earth's life and landscapes will help ensure a healthy and beautiful world for ourselves and future generations.

Did you know?

Without pollinators, we don't eat—it's simple as that—and, at the moment, large numbers of pollinators are dying. More than 90 species of U.S. specialty crops require pollination. Bees, butterflies, moths, bats, and birds are a critical part of the pollinator-plant ecosystem.

Microplastics – tiny plastic particles – are winding up in our waterways, soil, food, and our own bodies!

Ninety percent of fish populations are fished at or above sustainable limits.

Although planting new trees is critical, old-growth forests remove and store far more carbon than newly planted trees.

Notes & action items from our gathering:

Take stock at home: