

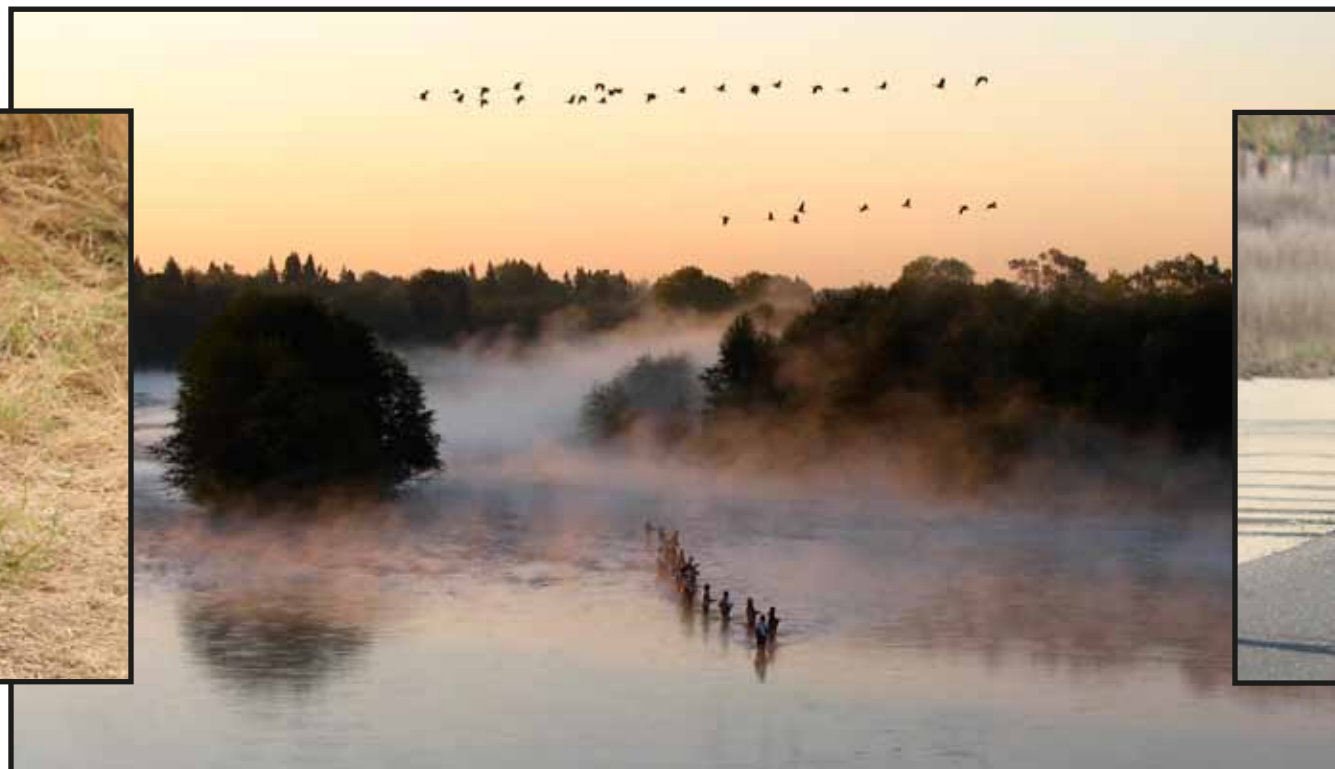
California Park & Recreation Society, District 2  
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# 2012 Hall of Honor

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## AMERICAN RIVER PARKWAY

Sacramento Region, California



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### In recognition of the Sacramento area's "Crown Jewel" A Collaborative Regional Treasure

The American River Parkway provides important natural plant and wildlife habitats, a high-quality water source, a critical floodway and a unique recreation area and bike trail in the heart of a largely metropolitan area of 1.3 million people. The Parkway concept began with the voluntary efforts of visionaries, advocates for preservation and enhancement of fishery, wildlife, and recreation values of the Lower American River and its original 23-mile corridor. The American River Parkway represents the sustained efforts of thousands of dedicated volunteers working collaboratively and a team of entities with jurisdictional and/or management responsibilities, to protect the vision with a plan that safeguards the almost 5000 Parkway acres of diverse recreation, environmental, business and community interests of the Sacramento Region.



Effie Yeaw  
Nature Center



#### Parkway Manager

Sacramento County Department of Regional Parks

#### Coalition Partners

##### Save the American River Association (SARA)

Founded in 1961 to establish the American River Parkway and continues in the role of the advocate for its protection and preservation.

**The American River Natural History Association (ARNHA)**  
Supports educational and interpretative activities in the American River Parkway and is responsible for the operations and funding of the Effie Yeaw Nature Center.

**The American River Parkway Foundation (ARPF)**  
Supports the preservation, protection, enhancement, and appreciation of the American River Parkway by fostering environmental stewardship, facilitating volunteer opportunities and funding and implementing Parkway projects.

**The Effie Yeaw Nature Center**  
**California Native Plant Society, Sacramento Valley Chapter**  
**Elderberry Farms Native Plant Nursery**  
**Soil Born Farms**



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