



RIVER PARTNERS

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# Who am I?

- My title:
  - Restoration Ecologist
- But I'm also a...
  - Project Manager
  - Mentor
  - Environmental Advocate
  - Life-long Learner



# Who is River Partners?

- Nonprofit organization founded in 1998
- Create a thriving and hopeful future for the state's environment and communities
- Scientifically driven riparian habitat restoration using modern farming practices
- The largest on-the-ground restoration footprint of any nonprofit in the western US

## BY THE NUMBERS



**18,000+**

Acres of habitat  
restored for  
imperiled species



**58**

Imperiled species  
protected



**4 million**

Native trees planted



**10+ billion**

gallons of fresh water  
conserved



**1+ million**

tons of greenhouse  
gases captured



**\$150+ million**

channeled to the  
communities we serve

50+ PROJECTS

10-50 PROJECTS

**< 10  
PROJECTS**



# We Bring Life Back To Rivers





# Our Impact is State-Wide

## Southern California: Panorama Vista Preserve

- Located in Bakersfield, CA, this project provides critical habitat along the Kern river
- Location used to propagate and reestablish the endangered Bakersfield Cactus



(Above) In total, River Partners installed roughly 35,000 native trees and plants, provided jobs to over 20 California Conservation Corpsmembers, and offered numerous volunteer opportunities to area students and residents to enhance their local environment.



**150**

Acres Restored  
+50 Acres for  
Monarchs



**35,000**

Trees Planted



**3**

River Miles  
Restored



**9**

Priority Species  
Supported



**8**

Miles of Trails  
Opened

# Our Impact is State-Wide

## San Joaquin Valley: Dos Rios Ranch Preserve

- The largest public-private floodplain restoration in California's history
- Restoration led to de-listing of the endangered Aleutian Cackling Goose
- In the process of becoming California's newest State Park



### BY THE NUMBERS



**1,600**

Acres Restored



**350,000+**

Trees & Shrubs  
Planted



**8**

River Miles Restored



**9**

Priority Species  
Supported



**7,000**

Acre-Feet of  
Fresh Water Retired



**\$40 M**

Competitive Grants  
Delivered to a Severely  
Disadvantaged  
Community



**250**

Jobs Created



# Dos Rios Ranch Reserve: Then and Now

**2009: Pre-restoration**



**2019: Post-restoration experiencing flooding**





# Our Impact is State-Wide

## Sacramento Valley: Hamilton City Restoration

- Multi-benefit restoration project that also serves as flood control
- Started in 2000, the first riparian restoration project in USACE history



(Left) Locally hired field staff plant native vegetation along the Sacramento River near Hamilton City, the residents of which had to evacuate six times since the 1980s due to flooding.  
(Right) Restoring floodplains represents a powerful model for simultaneous flood and habitat protection.



**900**

Acres Restored +  
500 More in 2021



**194,000**

Trees Planted



**6.8**

River Miles  
Restored



**6**

Priority Species  
Supported

# Our Work Enacts Change

**Only 5% of California's native riverside habitat remains**

**Bringing Back  
Disappearing Wildlife**

**Boosting Flood  
Safety**

**Growing California's  
climate resilience**

**Conserving Fresh  
Water**

**Creating Healthy  
Communities**

**Building Strong  
Economies**



# How You Can Support Our Mission



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