

# **Introduction to Collaborating with Citizen Monitors and Watershed Stewardship Organizations**

## **DAY ONE:**

9:00 - 9:30 – Introductions and course goals

9:30 - 10:15 - Introduction to watershed groups and citizen monitors

10:15 - 10:30 - DISCUSSION: Brainstorm collaborative project ideas; how will all partners benefit?

10:30 - 10:45 BREAK

10:45 - 11:15 - SWAMP Clean Water Team

11:15 - 12:00 -How do you start collaborating with a watershed group?

12:00 - 1:00 LUNCH

1:00 - 1:30 - Examples of collaboration between local watershed groups and SWRCB

1:30 - 2:30 - ACTIVITY: Group problem-solving of specific case studies (in small groups)

2:30 - 2:45 Break

2:45 - 3:45 - Examples of successes and application (Guest speaker)

3:45 – 4:15 - DISCUSSION: What are specific examples of things community groups can do to benefit the State? How can the State help community groups?

4:15 – 4:30 - Wrap-Up: Questions, reminder of field day & what to wear/bring/expect, equipment viewing

## **DAY TWO:**

9:00 – 9:30 - Developing cooperative monitoring projects

9:30 - 10:15 – ACTIVITY: Develop a Collaborative Monitoring Plan (in small groups)

10:15 - 10:30 BREAK

10:30 – 11:15 - Equipment, Protocol, and Data Management

11:15 - 11:30 - DISCUSSION: What would make citizen science data more credible?

11:30 - 12:00 - ACTIVITY: Calibration exercises (in small groups)

12:00 - 1:00 LUNCH (In Field if Possible)

1:00 - 1:30 - Explain stations, equipment and Protocols; split into groups

1:30 - 3:30 - ACTIVITY: Get out & sample! WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING TO SAMPLE IN THE RIVER/CREEK

3:30 – 4:00 - Discussion of sampling and future directions

4:00 - 4:30 - Wrap-up, questions and discussion; evaluations