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- Learn the workings of wetland ecologies.
- Learn valuable restoration skills from the best in their field.
- Tangible results. You can be part of the solution.
- A way to give back to your local community and environment. A valuable legacy for you to enjoy for your lifetime and pass to future generations.
- Meet new friends.
- Fresh air and exercise.
- It's fun!



How You Can Help:

This project is a team effort. Everyone brings something to the project whether it's cash, in-kind donations or volunteer labor. Individuals and companies have the opportunity to participate on several different levels depending on their resources and depth of commitment.



Company Benefits:

- Positive public image via newspaper, website news and local media.
- Community legacy and public acknowledgement.
- Corporate-partner credit as on Growing Solutions' website and newsletter.



What We Need:

- Financial contributions to purchase tools and supplies.
- "In-kind donations" of:
 - Hand tools, shovels and gloves
 - Irrigation supplies (hoses, emitters, etc...)
 - Potting soil
 - Event supplies
- Volunteers. Local companies can allow their employees to contribute "sweat equity" to the wetland project as part of their job.



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The Goleta Slough Urban Interface Habitat Restoration Project

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Project Description

This project will restore a five-acre portion of the 400-acre Goleta Slough in Goleta, California. Although the Slough has been heavily impacted by development and misuse over the last two centuries, great strides have been made in the last decade toward restoring the Slough to a functioning high-value coastal wetland.

Due to its close proximity to city roads and urban development the project site is susceptible weed infestation. By removing and maintaining a weed-free zone on the Slough's outer perimeter, the proposed site provides a critical "thin green line" of biological defense against re-infestation for the rest of the Goleta Slough.

The restoration site is home to several native plant species such as bulrush, cattail, pickleweed and saltgrass. Several native wetland bird species—including the Loggerhead Shrike, Red-winged blackbird, Snowy egret, Horned lark and Killdeer—frequent the site for roosting and foraging.

Restoration Tasks:

- Remove curly dock.
- Sow native-plant seed.
- Bump up seedlings.
- Install irrigation.
- Water plants.
- Outplant mature plants to restoration site.
- Maintain and monitor site until established.

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