

Macroinvertebrate
"bug" team



Every year during June, we take "bug" samples at three locations in Traverse Creek. The rest of the year we meet two nights a month to identify the insects and other small organisms.



Bug night
Volunteers

We monitor the water quality of Traverse Creek Watershed at five locations:

- Alder Creek in the Nature Area
- Slat Creek near Meadowbrook
- Two locations on Traverse Creek near Meadowbrook
- Traverse Creek near the falls.

We welcome new members at any time. It is never too late to get involved with your watershed!

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Traverse Creek Stewardship

T r a C k S



"If there is magic on the planet, it is contained in Water." *Loren Eiseley*

Stewardship, Education and Water Quality

What is Water Quality?

The water quality of a stream is a combination of its physical, chemical, and biological characteristics. As volunteer citizen monitors we visit five locations in the Traverse Creek watershed monthly to check on the health of our streams. We take samples of the water and check the temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, conductivity and turbidity. We also take photos of the stream and sites to monitor changes in the riparian zone. Once a year we do a complete physical and biological assessment.

Volunteers monitor the water quality monthly



Identifying plants



What is TraCkS?

Traverse Creek Stewardship (TraCkS) formed several years ago as a local volunteer group. Our focus is to establish baseline data for water quality conditions in our watershed, to create educational opportunities, to increase stewardship awareness, and to determine if our watershed is healthy.

Community Partners

- Georgetown Divide Resource Conservation District
- Georgetown Divide Public Utilities District
- American River Conservancy
- El Dorado National Forest Service
- Sierra Nevada Alliance
- Black Oak Mine Unified School District
- South Yuba River Citizens League
- Friends of the Nature Area
- Friends of Deer Creek