



## *Seeking Volunteer Mentors for Student and Landowner Education and Watershed Stewardship (SLEWS)*

The Center for Land-Based Learning (CLBL) and Napa County Resource Conservation District (RCD) are proud to introduce SLEWS to Napa County. SLEWS is a program that introduces high school students to habitat restoration projects that improve the quality of habitat in our watersheds while enhancing classroom learning and encouraging leadership among local youth.

### **SLEWS Volunteer Mentors Will.....**

- Participate in hands-on restoration with local high school students
  - Create “next generation” stewards of the land
  - Share excitement for Napa County’s environment
- Develop valuable connections with natural resource professionals
  - Develop and share natural resource and people skills
  - Get volunteer or internship credit

**SLEWS Volunteers are important.** The commitment of a volunteer is to participate in approximately 5 restoration field days and 1 Celebration BBQ and to actively engage the high school students in the restoration work that they will be performing. Restoration activities generally take place on private agricultural land and include activities such as restoring streambanks, establishing native plant habitat and placing bird or bat boxes. Volunteers make all the difference and help to ensure that the projects are a success.



**Volunteer orientation and training will be held in mid-September.** Volunteers will learn more about the SLEWS Program, meet SLEWS staff and other volunteers, receive training on how to work with high school students and be introduced to the restoration projects that will be implemented.

**If you are interested in joining the SLEWS volunteer team, please respond by September 18, 2010.**

### **Contact**

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