



## Great Sierra River Cleanup

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On September 17th the American River Conservancy (ARC),

El Dorado County and Georgetown Divide Resource Conservation Districts (RCD) will be hosting the 3rd annual Great Sierra River Cleanup. Different river locations span Sacramento, El Dorado, and Amador counties on the South Fork American River and North Fork Cosumnes River. Locations include Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park, Salmon Falls bridge area, Happy Valley, Gold Beach, Hangtown Creek, and Folsom Pointe. The family friendly volunteer event will be from 9am till noon.

The Great Sierra River Clean-up is held annually throughout California in conjunction with California Coastal Cleanup Day, the single largest volunteer event in the state. Working under the auspices of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy, the ARC and RCD strive to get over 100 volunteers from the community for the event.

In addition to providing important fisheries and riparian habitat, the two rivers are popular recreation destinations; volunteers get the chance to give back to the rivers they enjoy, and can share rewarding work with others as they remove trash from riverbanks and stream beds. Families, individuals, schools, churches, scouts, hiking groups and others are all welcome to join.

Utilizing local sponsors like Raley's and Nugget Market from El Dorado Hills, Folsom Trader Joe's, SMUD, Placerville Safeway, and Deerhaven Ranch Grassfed Beef, ARC and RCD will provide a volunteer appreciation barbeque following the cleanup from 12pm-1pm at Town Hall in Placerville.

Registration is simple. Just visit [www.arconservancy.org](http://www.arconservancy.org) or go to [www.eldoradoRcd.org](http://www.eldoradoRcd.org) and click on the Great Sierra River Cleanup logo to register and select a cleanup site in your area. Volunteers should bring gloves, water bottles (water provided), sunscreen, and wear appropriate clothes.>p>

For more information about the Great Sierra River Cleanup in your community contact Jessie Olson at (530) 295-5630, [jessie.olson@ca.nacdn.net](mailto:jessie.olson@ca.nacdn.net) or Tyler Schade at (530) 621-1224, [tyler@arconservancy.org](mailto:tyler@arconservancy.org). General information about the cleanup can be found at [www.sierranevada.ca.gov/rivercleanup](http://www.sierranevada.ca.gov/rivercleanup).

For more than 20 years, the American River Conservancy (ARC) has been preserving rivers and land for life. As a non-profit community organization in the central Sierra Nevada foothills, we work to preserve natural areas and cultural resources and build an enduring ethic of care, building a sustainable future for humans in harmony with nature.

**For more information:**

**Website:** <http://www.arconservancy.org>