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Redwood National Park Strawberry Creek Restoration Environmental Assessment Now Available

The National Park Service (NPS) welcomes public comments on a proposal to restore salmon habitat in Strawberry Creek near Orick in northern Humboldt County, California.

The NPS proposes to remove invasive grasses, excavate a free-flowing channel to mimic the natural form, install log and rock structures to control streambed elevation and create habitat cover for fish, re-establish a riparian canopy along the new channel, replace an undersized culvert to improve passage for anadromous fish, and remove sediment sources on an adjacent hillslope. The project would affect about 3 acres of park land. This project is part of a partnership effort to improve habitat for threatened coho salmon and steelhead trout in the lower Redwood Creek watershed and the Orick valley. Other partners are the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Humboldt County, and the NOAA Restoration Center.



Copies of the environmental assessment are available on the internet at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/StrawberryCreek> and for review during normal business hours at local libraries, park offices in Crescent City and Orick.

Comments must be submitted in writing or by electronic mail by March 30, 2014 and may be sent to

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