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Earth Day



2014

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The St. Helena Chamber, in partnership with Upper Valley Disposal and Recycling and Umpqua Bank will host its annual Earth Day event on **April 26th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** This drive-thru event will be held at the St. Helena Fire House and includes drop off opportunities for e-waste and shredding. On hand will be members of the St. Helena Football team who will unload your car and assist with the collection. The event is free to the public but donations will be accepted with all proceeds going to the St. Helena Football Program.

- **This year Pharmaceuticals will be collected at the St Helena Police Station drop off only. Reserved 5 minute parking will be available for this drop off.**

Upper Valley Disposal & Recycling defines E-waste as “anything with a cord” including:

- **Electronic and Technology Equipment:** computers, modems, keyboards, printers, scanners, cables, mouse’s, televisions, computer monitors, and flat screens.
- **Office Equipment:** telephones, fax machines, and copiers (please remove toner!).
- **Consumer Appliances** such as VCRs, tape players, stereo equipment, radios, CDs, cell phones, and power cords.
- **Household Appliances** such as microwaves, blenders, food processors, toasters, vacuums, coffee makers, and Christmas lights.
- **Household batteries** will also be accepted. However, we are unfortunately NOT able to collect hazardous waste such as paint.

Also on hand will be a professional **document shredder**, sponsored by Umpqua Bank, for those wishing for a safe, secure way to dispose of sensitive information. Both the mobile shredding truck and e-waste drop off bins will be located on Railroad Avenue in the Fire Department parking lot next to Lyman Park. For more information, please call the Chamber at 707.963.4456 or email info@sthelena.com.

Additional Helpful Links:

St. Helena Chamber of Commerce

www.sthelena.com

Upper Valley Disposal and Recycling

www.uvds.com

Umpqua Bank

www.umpquabank.com

Hazardous waste collection:

Napa-Vallejo Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

889A Devlin Road, American Canyon, 1-800-984-9661

Every Friday & Saturday 9am-4pm

<http://www.naparecycling.com/devlinroadrecycling>

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Tuesday, April 29, 2014
Fire Department Training Room
1480 Main Street(entrance on Railroad Avenue)
St. Helena CA
7 pm to 9 pm

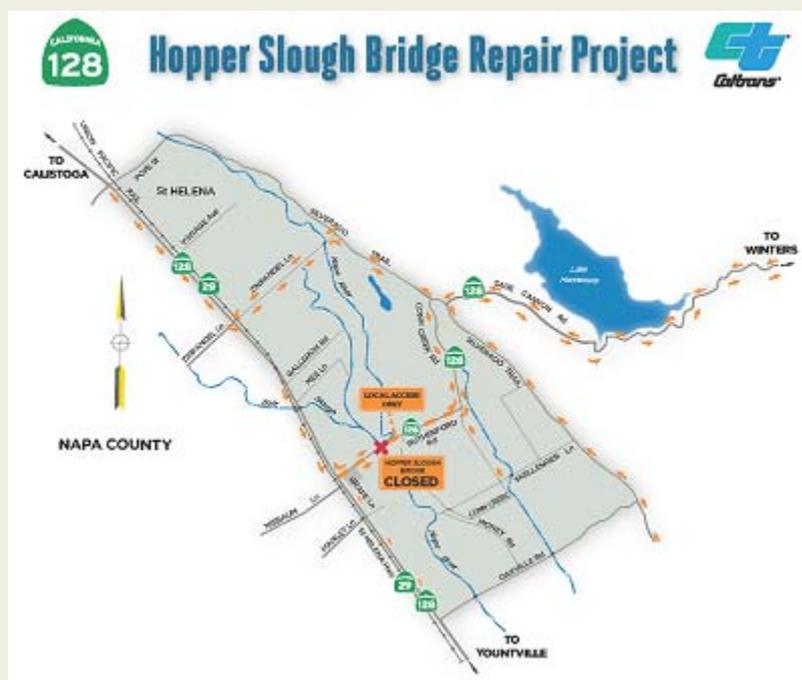
A Community Workshop on the City of St. Helena Housing Element Update has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 29, 2014 from 7 pm to 9 pm at the Fire Department Training Room. The workshop will provide residents and interested persons an opportunity to talk about needs and strategies for housing in St Helena. State law requires the city to adopt its updated Housing Element by January 2015.

The Housing Element is part of St. Helena's General Plan and provides goals, policies, programs, and strategies for addressing local housing needs. Your feedback and comments will help to shape possible housing strategies in St. Helena and help to reflect the ideas and set the vision for our community.

Information on the workshop is available for review at St. Helena's Planning Department. Questions regarding the proposed housing element workshop should be directed to Greg Desmond, Interim Planning Director, at (707) 968-2749 or gregd@cityofstheleena.org. The Draft Housing Needs Assessment is available on the City website at:

http://www.cityofstheleena.org/sites/default/files/Housing%20Needs%20Assessment_04%202022%2014.pdf.

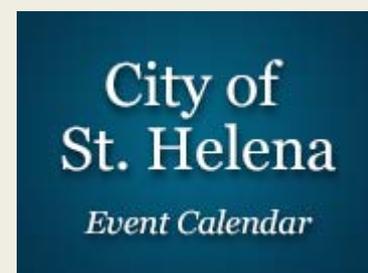
Traffic Alert: Hopper Slough Bridge Repair Project, a.k.a. Rutherford Road



Click on image above to download a printable flyer and map.

The Project

The Hopper Slough Bridge on State Route 128 in Napa County will be closed for approximately 2 weeks to repair a large hole in the western support wall.



Upcoming Events

May 2014

Planning Commission Meeting
 Vintage Hall Board Room
 Tuesday, May 6th
 6:00 PM

City Council Meeting
 Vintage Hall Board Room
 Tuesday, May 13th
 6:00 PM

Click [here](#) to access City Council Agendas

Planning Commission Meeting
 Vintage Hall Board Room
 Tuesday, May 20th
 6:00 PM

Memorial Day Holiday
 City Hall Closed

City Council Meeting
Vintage Hall Board Room
Tuesday, May 27th
6:00 PM

What to Expect

Limited access on state Route 128 (also known as Rutherford Road) up to the point of the bridge closure will be available for residents, customers and deliveries accessing businesses in the area only.

Detour Route

During the bridge closure, motorists are advised to use the following detours:

- Motorist traveling to State Route 128 from northbound and southbound State Route 29 are advised to use Zinfandel Lane to Silverado Trail to get back on State Route 128.
- Motorists traveling to westbound State Route 128 are advised to use Silverado Trail to Zinfandel Lane to State Route 29.

Project Schedule

The project is scheduled to start as early as mid-late April and be completed as early as mid-late May. All work is weather permitting. Caltrans will inform the public when specific bridge closure dates are available.

Project Updates

Stationary mounted signs and changeable message signs (CMS) will be strategically placed to provide information regarding State Route 128 closures and detours.

Online Information

Get the very latest project information online including detour information, pictures and maps on Caltrans project webpage at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/projects/hopperbridge/> or follow at <https://twitter.com/caltransd4>.

Contact

For more information, please contact Caltrans Public Information Officer Vince Jacala at vince.jacala@dot.ca.gov or call 510-286-5206.

Family Biking Workshop - TODAY!

Friday, April 25th
3 pm to 5 pm
Velo Vino Napa Valley



Napa Bike is hosting a free Family Biking Workshop on Friday, April 25, from 3 pm to 5 pm. The workshop will be held at Clif Family Winery, located at Velo Vino Napa Valley, 709 Main Street, just south of downtown St. Helena.

Napa Bike will provide instruction to St. Helena families on safe bicycling. The goal of the workshop is to help families learn how to ride safely so that they can have fun together doing a healthy outdoor activity.

Napa Bike is partnering with Clif Family Winery (providing the parking lot for skills activities) to conduct the first of a series of 2-hour family biking workshops in St. Helena.

These workshops are hands on, highly effective ways to train parents and youth on the essential skills of competent, safe on-street biking. Parents will come away feeling confident that their children will have the skills to ride safely on the street before exposing them to traffic. Youth enjoy the physical thrill and sense of accomplishment and confidence that come from being able to ride on the street.



Saving Water Links



Calculate Your Water Use at Home

Use our handy calculator to find out how much water you use inside and outside each day!



Saving Water, Inside & Out

It's easy to save water at home. Learn new ways to conserve indoors and outdoors.



Build a Beautiful Water-Wise Garden

See gardening tips and photo galleries with interactive garden and plant images.



Please visit the State of California website for other useful conservation information at www.saveourh2o.org.

Bell Canyon Reservoir Level

This year ending	
04/21/2014	94.1%
Last year ending	
04/22/2013	83.8%

Please continue to conserve water.

Learning the skills of riding is the first step towards beginning to choose to bike to school and beyond for most families.

Instructors are certified by the League of American Bicyclists. They have been trained on teaching skills, on the subject matter, and are veteran cyclists.

For more information, please contact Napa County Bicycle Coalition Executive Director Michael Costanzo at mike@napabike.org

[Napa County Resource Conservation District Workshop](#)

Sunday, April 27th Bay Friendly Garden Tour

This year's Bay-Friendly Garden Tour features 12 gardens in the Valley that provide inspiration for creating beautiful low-impact landscapes.



Highlights include:

- * Drought-tolerant gardens with habitat, heritage oaks, and spectacular views
- * Chickens, honeybees, composting, orchards, and vegetables
- * Lawn-free outdoor entertaining spaces, rain barrels, and more
- * "Beat the Drought" Workshops

Learn more and purchase tickets for the tour at:

<http://BayFriendlyGardenTour.brownpapertickets.com>

Sponsored by City of Napa Water Division, County of Napa, and Napa County RCD

Want to VOLUNTEER to be a garden greeter and gain free entrance to the 12 gardens for three hours?

Volunteer shifts: 10 am - 1 pm or 1 pm - 4 pm

Location: Napa, Yountville, St Helena

To volunteer: Call 252-4188 x116 or email frances@naparcd.org

Please indicate the following items:

1. Would you like to volunteer in the morning or afternoon?
2. Gardens are in or near Napa, Yountville, St Helena. Are you unable to volunteer in any of these towns?
3. What size of a t-shirt would you like?
4. Contact Email address and phone number?

[Bike to Work Day 2014](#)



Solano Napa Commuter Info (SNCI) is joining the Bay Area's 20th Annual Bike to Work Day, which will be held on May 8, 2014. Riding a bike has many advantages like healthier living, reducing one's carbon footprint, and an affordable transportation alternative. Biking to work is a great way to fulfill the requirement of 30+ minutes of physical activity per day needed to stay healthy.

For any questions relating to the City's water emergency, please email water911@cityofstheleena.org.



Questions?

Call City Water Shortage Hotline
(707) 968-2627

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Biking is for everyone. You don't need special clothing, you don't need special equipment, and you don't need to already be in shape to take up biking. All you need to do is find your motivation and jump on. It could be anything from reducing stress, losing weight, helping diminish global warming, or having bragging rights at the water cooler on the most distance traveled on a bike. Bike riders come in all different shapes and sizes, and no one should feel limited by their size, attire, equipment or speed. Bike riding is an equalizer and all are accepted.

Bike to Work events will take place throughout the month of May including a Team Bike Challenge and Bike Commuter of the Year Awards. Energizer stations will be set up throughout Solano and Napa counties on Bike to Work Day. Click [here](#) to download a printable flyer or for more information, click visit SNCI website at www.communterinfo.net.

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