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# SEA & Community Events

## **Acorns: A Native American Staple (hosted by Horsetown-Clear Creek)**

*Sunday, November 3rd*

*10 am to Noon*

## **Walk-Through of Proposed 100-acre Development (Quartz Hill Area)**

*Saturday, November 9th*

*9:30 am to 11 am*

## **Autumn Walk (hosted by Horsetown-Clear Creek)**

*Saturday, November 9th*

*10 am to Noon*

## **Geography and More Hike (hosted by Horsetown-Clear Creek)**

*Sunday, November 10th*

*10 am to Noon*

## **Sloppy Joe Hike (West Redding)**

*Sunday, November 17th*

*9:30 am to Noon (approx.)*

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## Reminder: Urging Sáttítla (Medicine Lake Highlands) Monument Status

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As mentioned in the October newsletter, Senator Padilla has introduced legislation urging President Biden to designate Sáttítla as a national monument, which would permanently protect this unique ecosystem. Sáttítla is home to ancient forests, rare plants, and the Medicine Lake Volcano, a crucial water source for California. Monument status would safeguard these resources from development and promote conservation-based land management.



Supporters can help by **signing this petition**, if you haven't already done so. Every message counts!

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## Meet SEA's Newest Board Member:

### Juliet Malik



Juliet, a longtime resident of Shasta County, is a business owner and lifelong nature enthusiast. After raising four kids she recently went back to school and completed her bachelor's degree in History from Oregon State University, focusing primarily on Environmental History. In 2023 she completed the UC California Naturalist Certification program and continues to learn all she can about Northern California's environment and the issues that challenge it. She is excited to lead walks for SEA and nerd out over nature with others as a way

to build community and passion for this place we call home so that we may better protect it. Let's give a warm welcome to Juliet!

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## Pilgrim Fall Festival a Success!

SEA was invited to table at the Pilgrim Fall Festival and they will also give us a percentage of their proceeds from the event. It was very successful as we met a lot of people who know little or nothing about SEA and many signed our Tree Ordinance Petition and signed up for the SEA newsletter. Most of the people were supportive of efforts to protect our environment and many were



already supporters of SEA. Diana Stenen and David Ledger were at the SEA table from 10 am to 2 pm and saw a lot of old friends and acquaintances. A big thank you to Pilgrim Church!

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# Don't Forget to Vote!



Tuesday, November 5th is Voting Day - please vote! There are some really important races happening that will continue to not only shape the country but Redding and Shasta County as well! If you'd like, you can view our Redding City Council Candidates Forum [HERE](#) to learn about what participating candidates had to say about regional-specific environmental issues.

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## Rangeland Monitoring Network Talk Recap

Redding residents were treated to an in-depth report on monitoring soil, plant, and wildlife habitat on California Rangelands by Alicia Herrera, an ecologist with Point Blue Conservation Science. After her talk, Jonathon Freeman of the Native Roots Network gave us an update on the Medicine Lake (Sattitla) National Monument effort in Siskiyou County.

Alicia and Point Blue scientists work cooperatively with landowners to help them understand and develop a plan that can provide the best ecological standards for their rangelands. With rangelands occupying 57 million acres of land in California, this is an important way to help preserve wildlife habitat and protect and increase soil productivity.

Perhaps her most controversial finding was that Project Blue and other soil scientists had discovered that rangeland soils store more carbon than any other land use in California. Rangeland, if properly managed and not overgrazed, helps achieve this. Rangelands primarily include grasslands, shrubland, savannahs, wetlands, and woodlands.

Her informative and provocative talk kept the audience engaged and brought about 30 minutes of questions from the audience indicating their interest in her presentation. To learn more please visit the Point Blue Conservation Science website at <https://www.pointblue.org/>

After her talk, Jonathon Freeman of Native Roots Network gave us some promising updates on the efforts to have Medicine Lake Highlands (Sattitla) declared a National Monument and a decision is in the last stage of development. Jonathon also briefly discussed Native Roots Networks' success in acquiring 1200 acres of land in the Jones Valley/Bella Vista area. To learn more about the Native Roots Network go to <https://www.nativerootsnetwork.org/>



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