

TUOLUMNE RIVER MAINSTEM CHANNEL RESTORATION UPSTREAM OF OLD LA GRANGE BRIDGE PROJECT



OVERVIEW

- The Tuolumne River Mainstem Channel Restoration Upstream of Old La Grange Bridge Project (OLGB Project) is located within in the Lower Tuolumne River upstream of the Old La Grange Bridge near the town of La Grange, California.
- The overarching goal of the OLGB Project is to provide spawning and in-channel habitat that improves the productivity of fall-run Chinook Salmon and rainbow trout (*O. mykiss*). Additional goals include providing gravel for replenishment of downstream riffles as gravel is naturally transported downstream over time.
- Clean, washed gravel will be added to the Lower Tuolumne River in the form of riffles and gravel bars. In addition to creation of spawning habitat, large wood features and boulder clusters will be added to increase in-channel habitat complexity and diversity, improving habitat for juvenile salmon and trout.

QUICK FACTS

DURATION	START DATE
Up to 2 years	Summer 2024

TOTAL PROJECT AREA - OVER 10 ACRES

- **Over 7.5 acres** of mainstem restoration
- **Over 2.5 acres** of floodplain habitat
- **Over 50,000 cubic yards** of spawning gravel
- **A five-fold increase** of trout and salmon habitat upstream of OLGB.

TOTAL COST - \$7.8 MILLION

- Design - \$300,000
- Permitting - \$350,000
- Implementation - \$7,143,487

California Department of Fish & Wildlife - \$5.5 million

MID, TID and SFPUC - \$2.3 million

PROJECT STATUS

As of March 2024, design and permitting are nearly complete; contracting is underway.



WHAT TO EXPECT DURING THE PROJECT

- Construction will occur on the North side of the Tuolumne River around Old La Grange Bridge from June through November 2024 and 2025. For your safety, do not enter the job site.
- You will hear general construction noises as well as noise from gravel sorting and placement.
- Water trucks will be used to minimize airborne dust.
- You may see some turbidity in the river during construction. This is normal and will be short-term.
- Haul trucks may drive through La Grange in September – October 2024 and 2025. Trucks will obey speed limits and efforts will be made to limit the number of trucks per day.
- All work in the river will protect habitat and follow protocols to support the riverine habitat.

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