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Celebrate Earth Day at Clarksburg River Park

(Woodland, CA) – On Sat, Apr. 25, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. the Yolo County Parks & Resources Department in partnership with Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) celebrating Earth Day at the Yolo County Clarksburg Boat Launch as part of the California State Parks Foundation's 12th Annual Earth Day Restoration and Clean-Up Day. Volunteers are invited to join the celebration at Yolo County's Clarksburg River Park along the bank of the Sacramento River (3 miles south of Clarksburg) to help plant native plants and clean up the river bank while enjoying the beautiful scenery along the river.

Since 1998, the California State Parks Foundation has developed its Earth Day Restoration and Cleanup program with major funding from PG&E to engage Californians of all ages and demographics in environmental improvement projects in their communities. Statewide, thousands of volunteers restore wildlife habitat, build or restore trails, and clean up parklands. Millions of others learn about simple things that can be done every day to protect California's precious natural resources.

Yolo County, through its Parks & Resources Department, has participated in the California State Parks Foundation Earth Day program for the past three years with successful projects at the Putah Creek Public Access sites near Winters, Elkhorn Regional Park near West Sacramento, and Grasslands Park near Davis. This year's Earth Day event will be held at the Clarksburg River Park (38125 S. River Rd) on Sat, Apr. 25 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The park is located approximately three miles south of Clarksburg adjacent to the Sacramento River and accessed off River Road on the west side of the river. The park is approximately four acres in size, and offers the public paved parking, a paved boat ramp to access the river, sanitary facilities, bank side access for fishing, sightseeing, nature study and picnicking.

"This is a great opportunity for volunteers to participate in native habitat restoration through the planting of native grasses and shrubs, and the installation of an irrigation system to help establish the plants," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Mike McGowan. "This is also a great opportunity to enjoy a beautiful morning celebrating Earth Day in one of Yolo County's 17 park facilities. Please join us."

Additional work will include trash pickup along the levee banks adjacent to the park. Volunteers are encouraged to arrive by 8:00 a.m. and should bring gloves, hats, sunscreen, mosquito repellent, hand trowels to plant grass plugs and shovels to plant native shrubs. Trash bags will be provided. The work will continue until 1:00 p.m. Volunteers are asked to log onto the California State Parks Foundation Web site (<http://calparks.org/programs/earth-day/>) and register for the event.

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Pictures attached: Prior Earth Day events (2) and Clarksburg River Park