

# Help Prevent Gophers from Damaging Levees & Property

**Saturday, February 25, 2012: 9:30 am – 11:30 am**

**Location:** Osher Marin Jewish Community Center, Kurland Lounge  
200 N. San Pedro Rd., San Rafael

*The Marin County Flood Control & Water Conservation District has a program to manage gophers found on levees, but needs residents' help to slow their continual migration to levees from surrounding areas. Gopher holes deteriorate levees and can lead to larger problems such as water seepage and, in extreme cases, levee failure.*

**Continental Breakfast from 9:00 – 9:30 AM by Santa Venetia Neighborhood Association**

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## Steve Swain, University of California Cooperative Extension

- Why gophers do what they do: behavior & biology
- Managing the environment: compost bins, weeds, resistant plants, and natural predators
- Repellants and exclusion practices
- Comparison of various traps & how they work



## Raul Garcia, Owner, Forster-Kroeger

- Managing gophers at the pump station/levee
- Use of slurry to fill tunnels

**DEMONSTRATION OF TRAPS:** At 11 a.m., join a field trip to a Santa Venetia pump station where you will learn how to set and place traps.

**FREE REBATE ON TRAPS FOR SANTA VENETIA RESIDENTS:** Residents attending this workshop will receive a coupon for a \$5.00 rebate on a trap of their choice at your neighborhood **MARIN ACE**, 180 Merrydale Rd., San Rafael. Coupons good through March 11, 2012.

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**REGISTRATION REQUIRED – SPACE IS LIMITED TO 30 PERSONS!**

Please RSVP to: Gina Purin, 473-3202 or [gpurin@marincounty.org](mailto:gpurin@marincounty.org)



If you are a person with a disability and require accommodations, please call (415) 473-4381 (voice) or (415) 473-3232 (TTY) at least **four work days** in advance of the event. Copies of documents are available in alternative formats upon written request.

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## Gopher Control Workshop

**Saturday, May 19, 2012: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm**

**Location:** Tamalpais Valley School  
350 Bell Lane, Mill Valley

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### **Bené da Silva, Engineering Technician, Marin County Flood Control & Water Conservation District**

- Managing gophers at the levee/pump stations
- Use of slurry to fill tunnels

### **Roger Baldwin, University of California Coop. Ext.**

- Why gophers do what they do: behavior & biology
- Managing the environment: compost bins, weeds, and resistant plants
- Natural predators vs. endangered species
- Repellants and exclusion practices
- Comparison of various traps & how they work



**FIELD DEMONSTRATION OF TRAPS:** At 3:00 p.m., join a field trip to the levee where you will learn how to set and place traps.

**FREE REBATE ON TRAPS FOR TAM VALLEY RESIDENTS:** Tam Valley residents attending this workshop will receive a coupon for a \$5.00 rebate on a gopher trap of their choice at:

Goodman Building Supply, 775 Redwood Highway, Mill Valley

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