

About

Sierra Salmon Alliance is committed to nurturing a balance between humans and nature to create a sustainable Natural Resource Portfolio.



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Our mission is to restore wild salmon and traditional cultural values to Sierra Nevada Communities.

Sierra Salmon Alliance collaboratively defines public policy directives that favor long-term community sustainability.

Our core agenda is to actively build balanced, productive and meaningful relationships between Native American communities, local community, governmental and corporate interests through education, community awareness of issues that impede environmentally sensitive watershed management, and public policy justice.

In nurturing these relationships, Sierra Salmon Alliance helps to restore balance to the ecological, economic, social and spiritual lifeways of community by:

- 1) calling back wild salmon to rivers and tributaries of the Sierra Nevada foothills and Central Valley of California,
- 2) improving the quality and quantity of water to this region for the restoration and support of traditional cultural places and lifeways, and,
- 3) develop sustainable community-based economic opportunity through ecological minded electric generation and energy conservation.

Our work encourages all people, all nations, to come together as one people to address these critical issues in creative ways.

Your participation is welcomed and greatly needed.

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Saturday, October 23, 2010 Auburn Ravine - Lincoln California

Calling Back the Salmon Blessing



This gathering is an offering of intentions in the form of Songs, Chants, Thanksgiving and Prayer that will start the healing of the Auburn Ravine and the City of Lincoln.



These individual offerings from the community remind us of the once abundant resource of the almighty wild salmon that are now in need of human intervention to help them reclaim their original spawning grounds.



Salmon Run

Indigenous Words from the Land of the Maidu

Let me tell you of a Journey
About to begin from the ocean where Salmon swim around
Restlessly they wait to begin
A trek back to their Native Spawning Ground
Their Journey has many dangers
as Salmon swim up Creek, River and Stream
Struggling the whole way
to fulfill a part in life's little scheme
Many battle to make this journey
Knowing they won't live to make it twice
they leave an example for posterity
one of the ultimate self sacrifice
Now they swim upon these rivers
going against the currents, man and bear
Little brothers & sisters testing all the odds
to replenish the land and do their share
So as the season starts to begin
let's offer a prayer for our brother and sister the Salmon
Without whose selfless contribution
the people and culture would feel the pain of famine

By Beverly Benner Ogle



BIG RIVER, By Arthur Smoky Jones
(Sawom Majdy) Buckeye Man

Big River, Big River, where do you come from and where do you go?
You give life to the people and all our bothers, the animals.
You bring Mahi, the Big One, and all his cousins.

You take the thirst from me and bathe me in your coolness.
You bring me the music of your womb and the water bug who dances for you.
You share your gift with all who come.

You know no boundaries for your course is set and no barrier is too big for you.
You are as gentle as the deer and as ferocious as the grizzly.
My world is very small compared to yours.

So I ask, "Big River, where do you come from and where do you go?"
A person who prepares himself for Life and Death is a person who has looked about, and has learned the meaning of harmony.

By Arthur Smoky Jones

