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**Russian River Film
Burlingame Hall Screening - May 29**

Those not able to attend previous screenings of *The Russian River: ALL RIVERS The Value of an American Watershed* in venues throughout the north bay, will have another chance to catch a Sonoma Valley showing on Friday, May 29 at 7:00 pm. Shown in February to a packed crowd at Sebastiani Theatre, and in March to a sold-out crowd at Andrews Hall, the film will be presented on a free-will donation basis at Burlingame Hall on the campus of First Congregational Church (FCC) located at 252 West Spain Street. Doors will open at 6:30 pm, and guests will be seated on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Sponsored by Transition Sonoma Valley and the Earth Care Committee of FCC, this showing of the highly acclaimed documentary will also feature a post-film Q & A with the Santa Rosa-based producers of the documentary, Nancy Econome, Stella Kwiecinski and William Sorensen. The film includes footage from nearly 50 interviews with biologists, policymakers, activists, wine interests and others up and down the West Coast, with extensive aerial photography described by viewers as stunning cinematography.

According to the producers the film “has been seen by over 3,300 people in 26 venues throughout Marin, Mendocino, Sonoma, Napa and Lake counties...The reception has been beyond our expectations, with full capacity seating and well-attended Q&A sessions afterward.” The film was an Official Selection at the 38th Annual 2015 International Wildlife Film Festival held in Montana. The film is an educational call to action for citizen groups in and outside of the Russian River watershed, and provides perhaps for the first time a chance for concerned parties to be heard together on the critical issues of river conservation.

Director, Co-Producer, Writer, Editor and Cinematographer Bill Sorensen went on to say “we have touched upon something for which there is a tremendous need; this is genuine information that isn’t going through any commercial connection; this is by and for nature. The problems that the Russian River watershed faces are being faced by all rivers everywhere; it’s about water quantity and water quality.”

For more information and a trailer of the film please visit <http://www.russianriverallrivers.com/>.

The Earth Care Committee of FCC exists to increase awareness about our interaction with the natural world and its consequences, creates venues for discussion about environmental issues, solutions and alternatives, focuses collective and individual actions to transform our society's unsustainable practices and inspires advocates and activists to protect and restore our local and global environment.

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