



Neighbor News

Your Connection to Paulina Creek Preserve



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PRESERVE OPEN HOUSE

SAT **OCTOBER 14** 1-4PM

Visit and learn about Paulina Creek Preserve, connect with community, and pick up free native plants! Learn more: deschuteslandtrust.org/events



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Visit Paulina Creek Preserve!

Join the Land Trust on a guided tour of Paulina Creek Preserve! Each year volunteers lead free walks and hikes at Land Trust Preserves, including our new Paulina Creek Preserve. Land Trust Walks + Hikes are offered through October.

Whether it's a bird walk, geology hike, or general tour, you are guaranteed to learn a little more about your backyard!

Details:

deschuteslandtrust.org/hikes

Structure Removal at Paulina Creek Preserve

Those of you familiar with Paulina Creek Preserve know that there are several structures at the Preserve, including an old home and barn. Unfortunately, these structures have seen better days, and are now so dilapidated that they pose a danger to visitors. The Land Trust will be working with contractors in the coming months to remove these structures in a safe and responsible manner.

Ultimately, structure removal will be the first step in our effort to restore habitat at the Preserve. The Land Trust is developing plans now to guide future stream and forest restoration efforts. Stream restoration will focus on restoring Paulina Creek and its surrounding wet meadow by realigning the creek into its historic channels and reconnecting it to its floodplain. We also plan on improving water quality and quantity in Paulina Creek and Paulina Lake by returning irrigation water rights to instream use. Forest and meadow restoration efforts will center around restoring native plant communities in transitional areas between floodplain and forests, and increasing resilience to wildfire through sustainable thinning and fuels reduction efforts. The end result will be much better habitat for fish and other wildlife and a healthier Paulina Creek for us all.

Stay tuned for more details on the structure removal progress via our link below. **Please note: Paulina Creek Preserve remains closed to the public.** We appreciate your patience as we work to build a new Paulina Creek Preserve for the future!

Stay up-to-date on Preserve news: deschuteslandtrust.org/neighbor-news



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Thank You Site Stewards!

Massive thanks to our new Paulina Creek Preserve Site Stewards! These awesome volunteers walk the Preserve regularly to report wildlife sightings and help be our eyes and ears on the ground. Thank you for your dedication, time, and energy this past year!

Volunteer with us:

deschuteslandtrust.org/volunteer



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