

Crew plants trees along the banks of Toro Creek to reduce flood risk

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Crews from the California Conservation Corps' Monterey Bay Center plant willow tree branches Tuesday along the banks of Toro Creek, south of Salinas. The CCC is planting willow cuttings to help stabilize the stream banks and reduce the risk of future flooding. The project is funded through the Proposition 84 Bond Act of 2006. Conner Jay/The Salinas Californian





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Bureau of Land Management botanist Bruce Delgado helps crews with the California Conservation Corps' Monterey Bay Center plant willow tree branches that will grow into full trees along the Toro Creek bed Jan. 17. Conner Jay/Off 68

Two crews from the California Conservation Corps' Monterey Bay Center planted willows along Toro Creek near Toro Park Estates on Jan. 17 as part of a demonstration of flood-control work for visiting dignitaries.

Slated to take a first-hand look at the work were CCC State Director David Muraki and Bureau of Land Management State Director Jim Kenna. The two agencies — one state, one federal — have a long-standing partnership.

According to the CCC, planting willow cuttings along the banks of Toro Creek will help stabilize the stream banks and reduce the risk of future flooding. The work is funded through Proposition 84.