



DUTCH BILL CREEK WATERSHED **Coho Habitat Enhancement Project**

Project Description: The Gold Ridge RCD hired Dragon Fly Stream Enhancement to construct a series of instream structures designed to improve rearing and spawning habitat in Dutch Bill Creek. The project included the stabilization of 290 feet of streambank, the construction of three gully checkdams on a streamside gully, and the installation of 12 spider log structures.

Project Goals:

- ❖ Improvement of rearing and spawning habitat for Coho salmon and steelhead trout in Dutch Bill Creek.
- ❖ Provide cover for salmonids and collect woody debris to increase instream habitat diversity.
- ❖ Stabilize eroding streambanks to eliminate sediment delivery to Dutch Bill Creek.

Project Eligibility Requirements: All riparian landowners along the mainstem of Dutch Bill Creek are continuously encouraged to participate in streambank stabilization projects. However, these projects were previously identified by both Department of Fish and Game and the RCD as being priority restoration sites.

Project Budget: \$72,796 (California Department of Fish and Game); \$9,500 (Sonoma County Water Agency); \$1,500 (In-Kind Services from Dragon Fly Stream Enhancement); \$1,500 (In-Kind Administration from RCD).

Project Timeline: June 1, 2005 through March 31, 2008

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