



January 7, 2025: Maddy Schwarz, San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory – Plovers in a Changing World

Comments and Information Shared in Meeting Chat

- Samuel Leyva: I am a member of the South Bay Yacht Club in Alviso. We recently partnered with Wild Oyster Project in Jan 24, and are collecting oyster shells and curing them to help with future habitat restoration.
 - Ben Pearl of SFBBO, Donna Ball of the South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project, Mary Gallagher, Vanessa Aczon, and Valary Bloom responded with heart emojis
 - Dave Halsing, South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project: Thanks for that effort, Samuel and others at the Wild Oyster Project. It makes a big difference!
 - Samuel Leyva, Mary Gallagher, and Vanessa Aczon responded with thumbs up emojis
- Loren Roman-Nunez: Is there a recommended curing time for native oyster shell used for habitat enhancement vs non-native?
 - Samuel Leyva: 2 yrs
- Mary Gallagher: Re Threats and Predator Control: We saw a coyote yesterday, 6 Jan 2024, in the afternoon around 3 pm strolling around the north shore of the Shoreline Lake. I can send a photo to Maddy.
- Margaret Henderson: What is the recommended density and placement of oyster shells? The photos look like you placed clusters of shells?
 - Ben Pearl, SFBBO: 5-8 shells/m2 was the approximate density spread
- Mary Gallagher: How high can the plovers fly in the sky?
 - Ben Pearl, SFBBO: Very high is all I got!
- Donna Ball, South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project: Maddy will be preparing the annual report summarizing this work and we'll post that on our website later this spring once it's completed.
- Mary Lee: Here in Oregon, a single raven or 2 ravens have wiped out our nesting sites