

Caring for the Mountain in Perpetuity

The democratic spirit of the movement to save San Bruno Mountain continues through the public's participation in community-based ecological restoration.

San Bruno Mountain Watch and the San Mateo County Parks lead projects where volunteers of all ages and backgrounds help protect and enhance the mountain's unique habitats and biodiversity.

The spread of invasive, non-native plants is the most serious threat to the ecological health of San Bruno Mountain.



Cape Ivy

Volunteers make significant contributions to ongoing efforts that work to remove noxious weeds and limit their spread and proliferation.



Broom



Ice Plant

The spread of invasive plants on the mountain followed various types of disturbances—urban encroachment, road building and grading, overgrazing and deliberate planting of exotic species.

Get involved on San Bruno Mountain. Learn about volunteer opportunities, trails, guided hikes, self-guided hikes, and more at www.mountainwatch.org and parks.smcgov.org



Planting native vegetation provides multiple benefits—from establishing more host and nectar plants for the mountain's endangered butterflies to enhancing the riparian habitat for birds along Colma Creek, the mountain's largest waterway.



Volunteers help cultivate the mountain's native flora at San Bruno Mountain Watch's Mission Blue Nursery for restoration projects on the mountain and sustainable landscaping in surrounding areas.



Youth—elementary through college age—learn the mountain's natural and cultural histories and how to actively take care of its environment on field trips.