Rainbow trout eggs and alevins (hatchlings)

## **Stream Restoration**

Park District staff is working to restore Redwood Creek as a viable and healthy wildlife habitat. Foot traffic, dogs, and bicycles have caused serious erosion along the banks of Redwood Creek. Erosion causes poor water quality and pool sedimentation that destroys the ability of the habitat to support newts, fish, and other aquatic creatures.

District staff erected a split-rail fence and placed a series of interpretive panels to help visitors understand the value of wild stream corridors.

You can help us by staying on the trail and not going down to the creek. Keep your dogs on a leash and out of the stream.

The accumulation of leaves and branches is helping maintain soil moisture and provide a seed bed for new ferns and shrubs. Quietly and slowly, the stream is returning to its original condition, flanked by luxurious banks of vegetation. Native rainbow trout and California newts will continue to use this critical habitat to reproduce and hopefully increase in numbers.



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## PLEASE HELP US restore this important habitat.



California newt egg clusters

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