

THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY
Bay Area Chapter

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To all members:

Two bills were introduced in Congress this year calling for the establishment of a national wildlife refuge within the south San Francisco Bay area. These bills are H.R. 2749 and S. 2291.

We have scheduled the summer meeting of the San Francisco Bay Chapter of the Wildlife Society for September 13th to visit portions of the proposed refuge and to learn firsthand something about it.

Art Ogilvie, of the Santa Clara County Planning Department, will be on hand to discuss the history behind the South Bay Refuge concept and the present status of the bills. Art is without a doubt the one person who has done more toward getting a refuge for the south bay than any other person.

Also present will be Bill Anderson of the Department of Fish and Game. Bill is one of the best birders in northern California and will help us with our waterfowl and shorebird identification, so bring your binoculars. Bill says lots of the northern birds are already here.

We will meet at the Stanford Research Institute's marine mammal center at the eastern foot of Coyote Hills in Alameda County at 9:00 AM. After everyone has had a look at the seals, sea lions and sea elephants we will proceed to the top of Coyote Hills from which we should be able to see a great portion of the future refuge.

Bring your wives, kids, girl friends, other friends and a picnic lunch. There are picnic tables already there.

Did you know a large herd (perhaps 400) of harbor seals haul out near Coyote Hills to have their pups each year? Without a refuge to protect them they may be doomed. Please come. It's important!

We'll have you on your way home by mid-afternoon.



William H. Thomson
President.

