

Students From Pacific Union College Assist with Oak Tree Restoration at Lake Berryessa



On Sunday, Oct. 20, 2013, nine ecology students from Pacific Union College in Angwin, Calif., along with their Professor, Aimee Wyrick, assisted Bureau of Reclamation Park Rangers with oak tree restoration in Lake Berryessa's Oak Shores Day Use Area.

The students, who belong to the Biology Club, used hand tools to plant acorns at Oak Shore's Foxtail Flat and Acorn Beach areas where germination of the oaks had not taken place or the young trees had not survived from the previous year's planting.

The students also received an overview on Lake Berryessa's ecology and the dominant plant communities found around the lake. Pacific Union College has committed to assisting the Lake Berryessa Field Office in future restoration efforts.

The restoration event tied into President Obama's *America's Great Outdoors* initiative, which seeks to empower Americans to share in the responsibility to conserve, restore and provide better access to our lands and waters and leave a healthy, vibrant outdoor legacy for generations to come (<http://americasgreatoutdoors.gov/>).

