Please check the part of the Reserve you wish to visit. Please call in advance to check for availability, then fill out one application per researcher, per area of the Reserve.

- Main Campus/South Fork Putah Creek
- North Fork Cutoff (Old channel of Putah Creek)
- Russell Ranch
- Experimental Ecosystem

Please submit completed application to: Andrew Fulks, Putah Creek Riparian Reserve
Email: amfulks@ucdavis.edu

Prior to each visit to the Reserve, send a text message to the Reserve Steward, JP Marie, at 530-304-3251 to let him know you will be on site, or email jpmarie@ucdavis.edu.

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

   APPLICANT: ____________________________________________

   APPLICANT’S TITLE OR ACADEMIC STATUS: ________________________________

   ADVISOR (If applicable): ________________________________________________

   INSTITUTION (Do not abbreviate): _________________________________________

   DEPARTMENT (Do not abbreviate): _________________________________________

   OFFICE ADDRESS: ______________________________________________________

   CITY/STATE/ZIP: ____________________________ OFFICE PHONE: ____________

   OFFICE FAX: ____________________________ EMAIL: ______________________

2. REQUESTED ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES (Exact or estimated dates of use.)

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3. COURSE TITLE AND NUMBER:

   ____________________________________________

4. PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE CLASS:

   ___INSTRUCTORS/TEACHING ASSISTANTS   ___GRADUATE STUDENTS

   ___UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS   ___OTHER: ______________________________

5. INTRODUCTION OF NON-NATIVE GENOTYPES

   Does your project involve the transfer of animals, plants, and/or microorganisms from outside the Reserve to within the Reserve, or between different parts of the Reserve?  □ Yes  □ No
6. **STATEMENT OF PROPOSED CLASS PURPOSE.** (Include location of field areas (GPS points or on a map), animal and plant populations that may be affected by the proposed visit. Any potential disturbances to the Reserve’s ecosystem or cultural resources, including all experimental manipulations, collections, and the introduction of any species or genotypes, must be clearly described. The application will be evaluated using the following considerations: potential impacts to natural systems; potential impacts to present or future long-term use of Reserve for research or instructional purposes; compliance with state and federal law and any stated Reserve research policies; scientific merit and feasibility; funding constraints; potential conflicts with on-going Reserve research or instructional programs; and availability of alternative sites. Please type or print clearly.)
7. PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Please read and answer the following items carefully. Researchers will not be allowed access to the Reserve until they obtain the appropriate permit(s), or the Reserve has been informed by the agency(ies) involved that no permits are required for the project described in this application. It is the user's responsibility to obtain the appropriate permit(s) and to provide the Reserve manager with a copy. Please discuss permit requirements with the Reserve manager.

A) Does your project involve vertebrate animals?  
   • Indicate all that apply:  □ Reptile □ Amphibian □ Fish □ Bird □ Mammal
   • Will any animal be captured?  
     □ Yes □ No
   • Will any animal be held longer than 12 hours?  
     □ Yes □ No
   • Will any animal be held longer than 24 hours?  
     □ Yes □ No
   • Will any birds be banded and/or color marked?  
     □ Yes □ No
   • Will any animal's skin be broken (needles, tags, surgery, etc.)?  
     □ Yes □ No
   • Will any animal's movement in the environment be restricted?  
     □ Yes □ No
   • Is there potential for any animal's behavior to be altered?  
     □ Yes □ No
   • If this is a renewal, has there been any change in the project?  
     □ Yes □ No □ N/A

Prior to beginning a research project involving the capture, marking, or physical contact with of vertebrate animals, you must receive approval from the animal care committee at your home institution. (This is often the same committee that oversees the care of laboratory animals.) Please append written approval to this application.

B) Does your project involve the collecting (including banding and/or color marking) of vertebrate wild animals or invertebrates?  
   □ Yes □ No

If "Yes," you will need to obtain a scientific collecting permit from the California Department of Fish and Game. Please append permit. A permit is not required to collect freshwater plants.

Does your project involve the collection, banding, and/or color marking of birds?  □ Yes □ No
If "Yes," you will need a federal permit from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Please append permit.

Does your project involve working with plants or animals that are California state listed species of special concern, threatened, or endangered species?  □ Yes □ No
If "Yes," you will need to obtain a memorandum of understanding (MOU) from the California Department of Fish and Game. Please append permit.

Does your project involve taking plants or animals that are Federally listed threatened or endangered species?  □ Yes □ No
If "Yes," you need to obtain a federal permit from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Please append permit.

PERMITS CAN TAKE AT LEAST 30-60 DAYS TO BE APPROVED, SO CALL IMMEDIATELY FOR AN APPLICATION.

8. IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

Contact: ........................................................... Phone: ..................................................

9. PUTAH CREEK RESERVE REGULATIONS
• If the research application is approved, the user must comply with all applicable University regulations, including those that are Reserve-specific, and provide all required state and federal permits.

• UC instructors who are sponsoring a UC class trip to the Reserve should note that they are solely responsible for enforcing the University’s policies on waiver agreements, and are expected to obtain and maintain signed waivers from every student prior to the class trip.

• All publications resulting from the use of the Putah Creek Reserve must acknowledge the University of California and the Putah Creek Reserve. Please submit two copies of all publications (only one bound copy of a thesis or dissertation is required) to the Reserve manager.

• All researchers must provide on an annual basis, at a minimum, a text file that describes each data set derived from their work on the Reserve and a summary of research results. Minimum required metadata includes the title of each data set, the investigator’s name, mailing address, e-mail address, and an abstract. All researchers are strongly encouraged to provide copies of mature data sets derived from work on the Reserve, which will be archived at the Reserve.

• Material(s), including resulting fragments, subunits, progeny, products, genetic material, mutants and derivatives, approved for collection by the Putah Creek Reserve belongs to the University of California. You and your institution/company will use the material(s) only in that scientific research activity described in this application and will not allow the material(s) to be transferred to any other party or use them for commercial purposes without the express written consent of the University of California.

• Visitors may not bring animals (domestic or wild) to the Reserve, unless they are part of an approved research project or are necessary to help a disabled user. Please notify the Reserve manager if you have a special need.

• Firearms are forbidden at the Reserve, unless the University has granted special permission.

• All users are requested to leave the land and any facilities cleaner than you found them.

I have read and agree to abide by the Putah Creek Reserve use regulations listed above and any Reserve-specific rules appended to this application, and am aware that it is my responsibility to disseminate this information to all members of my party.

Applicant’s Signature* ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Reserve Manager’s Approval ___________________________ Date ___________________________

* Receipt of application via email is comparable to applicant’s signature.