



Ridge at Trinitas Receives State Fish and Game Permit

October 20, 2008, Valley Springs, CA – In an ongoing effort to provide a safe environment for all habitat, the Ridge at Trinitas and the California Department of Fish and Game (Fish and Game) have agreed to implement the distinguished Grass Carp program on Trinitas. This permit comes on the tail end of a rigorous seven month application process that included multiple site visits from Fish and Game for biological and jurisdictional waterway compliance and oversight for the installation of two custom fish screens to keep the fish contained during high flow periods. “This is a great program and we are thankful that they encourage environmental stewardship and we are proud to be part of it” says John Jorgensen, stewardship program manager at Trinitas.

This program is offered exclusively to golf courses in order to control unwanted aquatic plant life in ponds and waterways. “Unwanted aquatic plant growth is something in the ecosystem that needs to be managed. Introducing grass eating carp into the equation gives golf courses a tremendous opportunity to utilize an eco friendly solution to this problem”, says Mike Neme, Owner at Trinitas. Over the next few months, the Grass Carp will be released into Trinitas streams and will be licensed and tagged on an annual basis.



Fish Screen Installation



State Department of Fish & Game compliance inspection of jurisdictional waterways on the Trinitas Golf Course site as part of the permitting process



State Fish & Game Inspector on Bridge

Mike and Michelle Nemea and their children, Sam and Nate, live among the old growth olive orchards at the west end of Calaveras County and own Trinitas Olive Oil, a growing agri-tourism business.

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