

# Chileno Valley Newt Brigade Seeks Volunteers for 2024-2025 Newt Migration Season

What: **Orientation and Training – Chileno Valley Newt Brigade (CVNB)**

When: **Saturday, October 5th, 2024 from 10:00 AM–Noon**

Where: **Chileno Valley Ranch, 5105 Chileno Valley Road, Petaluma, CA 94952**

## ***Help save the Newts!***

The Chileno Valley Newt Brigade is a group of volunteers dedicated to assisting California Newts (genus *Taricha*) in safely crossing Chileno Valley Road as they make their annual migration from the Chileno Valley hills to Laguna Lake, where they breed. From October through March these slow-moving creatures



are vulnerable and thousands get run over by cars. Volunteers work 2-hour shifts scouring a stretch of the road at night for the migrating amphibians. They pick up the newts and move them across the road to safety.

During the 2023-2024 season, CVNB saved 15,195 newts, while another 4,863 didn't make it. Using the iNaturalist app, teams collect data to better understand migration patterns and to protect and enhance amphibian biodiversity.



**To register for an orientation and training session, contact:**

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