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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### Kings River Conservancy Announces First Photo Contest Winners.

The Kings River Conservancy has announced the winners of the first Spring Fling Photo Contest. First, second and third place awards were announced for entrants in four separate categories: K-6<sup>th</sup> grade, 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade, Adult Amateur, and Adult Professional.

This year, the Kings River Conservancy received 39 entries across all categories. The event was judged by local photographers. First place entrants will receive \$100, second place will receive \$75 and third place entrants will receive \$25.

"We're so pleased photographers of all ages came out to the Kings River to capture the magic of the Kings," said Deborah Lapp, Kings River Conservancy board president. "We congratulate the winners and applaud all who entered."

The contest was held in lieu of the annual Spring Fling, usually held each April. In the future, the Kings River Conservancy plans to hold the contest in conjunction with the Spring Fling, so the Conservancy board encourages everyone to start photographing now for next year.

The Kings River Conservancy is a non-profit organization dedicated to encouraging public safety and sound public conservation practices along the Kings River corridor from Pine Flat Dam to Highway 99. Their mission is to protect, enhance and educate people about the Kings River. They participate in functions such as invasive species removal, a trout incubator house to release trout into the river, adding warden patrols and maintaining safe public trails and access points along the river.

For more information about the Kings River Conservancy contact the Kings River

Conservancy at 559-787-9500 or visit www.kingsriverconservancy.org.

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<u>Click Here</u> to view all entries, including winning pieces, or visit <u>www.kingsriverconservancy.org</u> and click on the Photo Contest.

### **RESULTS**

## K-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Competition:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Ivy Parsons, *Two birds or one?* 

# 7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Competition:

1st Place: Isa Muñiz Simunovic, Quiet Kings

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Savroop Doad, Serenity

3rd Place: Isa Muñiz Simunovic, Dancing Trees

### **Adult Amateur:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Barbara Carlson, *River Rainbows* 

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Rhonda Pope, *Winter Wren* 

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Michael Harman, *Bald Eagle* 

### **Adult Professional**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Sherry Lynn Loeser, *Windy Sunshine*