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Save the Redwoods League Announces Fourth Season of Podcast “I’ll Go If You Go”

Expanded season showcases emerging environmental leaders from diverse backgrounds and their careers among California’s redwood and sequoia forests

San Francisco, Calif. (June 6, 2024) — [Save the Redwoods League](#) today announced the fourth season of its celebrated podcast [“I’ll Go If You Go.”](#) which takes listeners on a journey through California’s iconic coast redwood and giant sequoia forests. [Emily Harwitz](#) returns as host, with 12 new episodes posted bi-weekly through September 11. The new, expanded season explores the wide variety of jobs in the redwoods, featuring underrepresented voices and providing a safe space in which every story reflects a part of the human experience.



Harwitz’s seasoned storytelling reveals the lush soundscapes of these ancient groves and the thought-provoking voices of environmental leaders. “Nature serves as a sanctuary offering joy, education, healing and wonder, topped with the delight of sharing these moments with friends,” said **Harwitz**. “It is crucial for the outdoors to be an inviting space for BIPOC, LGBTQ+ and other underrepresented groups. We can foster this inclusivity by highlighting narratives in which our diverse experiences are echoed and celebrated.”

“I’ll Go If You Go” Season 4 schedule: 12 new episodes listed below.

Episodes out now:

- **Leslie Parra**, interviews the podcast’s current host, **Emily Harwitz**. They talk about Emily’s love for nature, what she does for work when she’s not hosting “I’ll Go If You Go” and how she’s approached her career in science and environmental storytelling.
- **Francisco Saavedra** is a Redwoods Rising fellow on the North Coast of California, home of the world’s tallest redwood trees. Francisco is a member of the Yurok Tribe and shares how he applies the Tribe’s Traditional Ecological Knowledge to sustainable forest management.
- **Jose Juan Rodriguez** and **Verenice Sanchez**, Redwoods Rising fellows on the North Coast of California, share their experiences with a watershed restoration project and the surprises they encounter along the way.

- **Daniela Corvillon** is a landscape architect working at the intersection of design and nature. Daniela has been involved since 2017 in visioning for the property called 'O Rew, which Save the Redwoods League will return to Yurok Tribal ownership as a visitor gateway to Redwoods National and State Parks in 2026.
- **Kyle Buchanan** and **Karla Jovel** are good friends who met working with the Forest 4 All program as park interpreters. Kyle focuses on protected watersheds and marine areas in Redwood National and State Parks, and Karla works at Suedem State Park, both on the North Coast.

Episodes coming up this season:

- **June 19: Neida Rodriguez** is Save the Redwoods League's giant sequoia forest fellow, based at Alder Creek in the southern Sierra Nevada. Neida has forged an inspiring and unconventional path to her fellowship.
- **July 3: Katie Low** as the statewide coordinator for UCANR Fire Network. Katie creates engaging workshops to educate community members about all things fire. **Saul Tejada**, a wildland firefighter for the National Park Service in Yosemite National Park, joins Katie on this episode.
- **July 17: Clarisa Rosas** and **Joseph "Joe Joe" Clark** work at the Land Trust of Napa County on stewardship and restoration efforts on conserved land and for public access.
- **July 31: Elexis Padron** is a California State Parks interpreter at Half Moon Bay State Beach in the Santa Cruz District. She specializes in creating interpretative programs that integrate nature with art to engage communities with the redwoods.
- **August 14: Xiomara Batin** is the community engagement and marketing manager at Girl Ventures, based in the Bay Area. **Erika Granadino** is a California State Parks interpreter and community engagement coordinator for the North Coast Redwoods District. Both women focus on creating opportunities for greater equity in the outdoors.
- **August 28: Alfonso Orozco** works at Parks California in workforce development opportunities. Joining him on this episode are guests from **SAMO Youth**, which provides employment experience and mentorship for diverse young people pursuing environmental careers.
- **September 11: Emily Harwitz & surprise guests** explore some behind-the-scenes roles in the outdoors and redwoods conservation, including fundraising, environmental education, professional event planning and others.

All episodes can be streamed on the League's [website](#) and all major podcast streaming platforms, including [Spotify](#), [Apple Podcasts](#), [Anchor](#), [Google Podcasts](#) and [Pocket Casts](#).



Community partners of environmental and outdoor advocates attend Save the Redwoods League's Spring Summit at the Golden Gate Club in San Francisco on May 17th, 2024.

Left to Right Back Row: Sam Hodder, Caleb Castle, Cori Coccia, Grace Anderson, Ben Blom, Jose Juan Rodriguez, Francisco Saavedra, Farrahn Hawkins, Mary McPheely

Left to Right Front Row: Leslie Parra, Xiomara Batin, Emily Harwitz, Rebecca Au, Monica Carcamo, Erin Closmore, Jessica Carter

About the Podcast

Save the Redwood League's "[I'll Go If You Go](#)" podcast takes listeners on an audio adventure tour through California's iconic coast redwood and giant sequoia forests.

On "I'll Go If You Go," we have thought-provoking conversations with emerging environmental leaders from diverse backgrounds who explore and work outdoors. By examining how we think, work and play outdoors, we're building community and illuminating how Californians from all walks of life experience nature and conservation in the redwoods and beyond.

About the Host

Returning host [Emily Harwitz](#) (she/her) is a journalist, writer and filmmaker who works at the nexus of science and art to catalyze social and environmental change. Trained as a scientist and journalist, she also draws from her experience working in conservation and the outdoors to tell stories that inform, inspire and rebuild connection with the beauty of nature we're all part of. Her work has been published in Chemical &

Engineering News, Mongabay, Science, Hakai Magazine, Mercury News, Bay Nature and more.

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Save the Redwoods League

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