# South Central Coast Regional Consortium

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## North Far North Website



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Trail Steward and FRC Grad Kyla Pascucci...

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#### Feather River College

#### Feather River College: Agriculture & Equine Studies Pathway



Across rolling mountains, endless greenery, and the ambient sounds of nature, you'll find Feather River College's 'Million Acre Classroom.' The miles of scenic landscape serve as a natural outdoor classroom for nearly 1,400 students every year.

Inspiring, engaging, and *anything* but lazy, the idyllic grounds provide the perfect backdrop for specialized programs like Agriculture and Equine Studies. The FRC campus operates a working, 200-acre ranch, fully equipped with horses, a herd of angus cattle, and cutting-edge technology. Now, thanks to Strong Workforce

Program support, students are coming for the beauty... and staying for the bachelor's degree.

In 2016, the Agriculture and Equine Studies department added a first-of-its-kind four-year program in Equine and Ranch Management. The program supplements available associate degree and certificate pathways at FRC, offering a unique, next-level opportunity for students looking to lead the next generation of California ranchers.

"We find it very rewarding when our students who didn't have any aspirations in receiving a bachelor's degree decide to continue their education at FRC," reflects Russel Reid, Agriculture Department Chair at Feather River Colleges.

The pioneering program covers skills essential to agricultural ranch management, business practices, and horserelated disciplines. Students literally *learn the ropes* through hands-on classes, working alongside horses and livestock on the college's farm from day one.

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## Environmental Management – Work Based Learning Opportunities

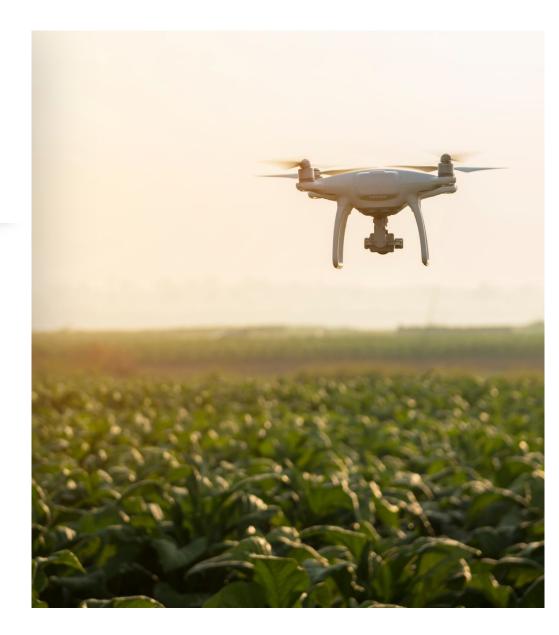
- Overview of the CADEMO offshore wind project and its partnership with SLO Partners for workforce training
- Develop apprenticeship/pre-apprenticeship programs for environmental analysis and management careers
- Support the proposed Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary co-management goals
- Meet CADEMO's community benefits commitments to the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians

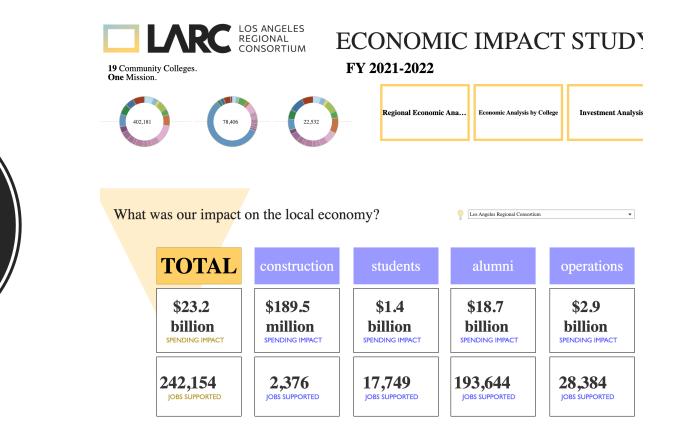




# Career Pathways Selected

- Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Specialist
- Drone Operator/Data Management Specialist
- Biological Field Technician (wildlife and botany)
- Cultural Resources Field Technician
- Marketing/Graphic Design





Regional Economic Impact Study

## College level data

