

Partnership Program 2011 Program Outcomes



Deschutes National Forest

Partnerships

Program

- 106 Major Partners
- 32 new partners
- \$24,525,821 of funding contributed
- 143 agreements
- 52 new agreements

Youth, Volunteer, and Hosted Programs

- 1,692 Volunteers
- \$1,719,000 in value contributed through all programs
- 80,477 hours donated for the equivalent of 44.7 FTE

TOTAL VALUE \$26.2 million

Partnership Focus

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Tale of Two Rivers

The Tale of Two Rivers Conservation Campaign is a partnership with the National Forest Foundation's *Treasured Landscapes, Unforgettable Experiences* National Conservation Campaign. The National Forest Foundation's (NFF) conservation campaign is centered on Whychus Creek and the Metolius River and has a goal of raising 1.7 million dollars for restoration and public engagement/education activities. The campaign is drawing additional awareness, stewardship, and funding to a suite of watershed restoration, recreation enhancement, and community engagement projects in two Wild and Scenic River watersheds near Sisters, Oregon. This



was the first site to be selected in Region 6, in part because of the already high level of collaborative energy surrounding the restoration of Whychus and the Metolius Wild and Scenic Rivers and their anadromous fish.

This is the 3rd year of the partnership with NFF, which started in 2009.

"Painters Paradise" by Norma Holmes, Paint-Out 2011

One desired outcome was to demonstrate how NFF could help create a successful model for local community engagement in addressing a variety of stewardship challenges and building enhanced support for priority restoration goals on the Deschutes National Forest. Perhaps one of the greatest strengths of this partnership is the engagement of new audiences and partners, broadening collaborative relationships for the Forest Service. One example is the "Plein Air Paint Out", an outdoor painting competition providing compelling images for use by the agency and partners.

Tale of Two Rivers Continued...

Additionally, the unique endeavor with NFF has led to other events:

"The Quilt for Two Rivers" will be tied to the popular Sisters Quilt Show in 2012. A special river quilt, to be completed by 20 quilters, will showcase river images in fabric art and watershed restoration information to over 10,000 visitors. Quilters participated in an educational watershed tour with NFF and USFS staff in advance of working on the project. "The Water of Life Alt Bier" brought the idea of a "Brewshed" to life with a beer made "from local waters for local waters". Table Tents in the brew pub allowed diners to learn about the rivers and play a river guiz game. Proceeds of the beer supported restoration work on the ground at a Tale of Two Rivers project site. The Central Oregon premiere of "Green Fire" showcased Also Leopold and included a post-movie audience discussion on conservation. NFF and USFS co-hosted the event and provided speakers for the after-film discussion. "The 2nd Annual Ride for Two Rivers" event with Cycle Oregon brought out hundreds of riders and featured dinner talks about support of restoration and volunteerism on the forest.





The Watershed Tour - Quilt for Two Rivers Project

Unique partnerships have been created with Roundhouse Foundation (arts), Deschutes Forest Stewardship Fund (contributions from recreation-related businesses including lodges, campgrounds, vacation rentals, and rafting companies), Cycle Oregon, Remington Outdoor Foundation (hunting), Sisters Chamber of Commerce (Volunteer Bank), Three Creeks Brewery, Bend Broadband, and Oregon Dental Service. The 2011 Paint-Out

An additional 11 events, including *Friends* of the Forest[®] Days, National Public Lands Day, Earth Day events with the local High School and weeds pulls, have been wellorganized and formulated to have greater meaning to the volunteers and the resource.

The events have increased conservation awareness and landscape stewardship as well as created an avenue for leveraging funds.



Learning how to seed at National Public Lands Day



Oregon National Guard Youth Challenge Crew

"The Tale of Two Rivers partnership with the National Forest Foundation has been an incredible opportunity to explore new, innovative and fun ways to engage different segments of the American public in the stewardship of their National Forests. Hopefully some of what we have learned through this partnership can be built upon to engage the public in the shared stewardship of their National Forests in other places."

> - Bill Anthony Sisters District Ranger

Additionally, a new partnership was forged with Trout Unlimited, expanding capacity for the local chapter. In partnership with USFS and NFF, TU provided outreach and education to anglers, and supplied volunteers to repair streambank damage from angler access on the Metolius River. Private funds were obtained by NFF and were matched by TU.

NFF has raised \$583,000 for the campaign, including: 12 cash grants from private foundations or companies totaling \$216,000.; 3 In-kind or Federal match (RAC) grants totaling \$60,000; and 5 Federal match grants through the NFF Grants program totaling \$307,000.

This has afforded the Deschutes National Forest the possibility of taking on watershed restoration projects that were previously unattainable, whether through work in our hosted programs (Northwest Youth Corps, Oregon National Guard Youth Challenge Program, and Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council Work-Education Program) or our core volunteer and community partner groups (Deschutes Land Trust, Upper Deschutes Watershed Council, Trout Unlimited, Friends of the Metolius, Wolftree, Sisters School District, Three Sisters Irrigation District, Deschutes River Conservancy).



Northwest Youth Corps "Red Crew" celebrates a job well done on top of Black Butte

Deschutes National Forest

The Deschutes National Forest is a leader in Region 6 in its Youth, Volunteer and Hosted programs.*

Approximately **1,692 Volunteers** contributed to forest projects and targets on the Deschutes this past year. The Deschutes strengthened volunteer management through Sponsored Volunteer Agreements with many large volunteer partner groups. These agreements have improved the coordination of projects and accomplishment reporting.

This past year the Deschutes expanded its hosted program with agreements with Veteran's Affairs, Oregon State University, Deschutes County Community Justice (including programs for youth), Deschutes County Sheriff's Office, Student Conservation Association, and Oregon Department of Corrections, leading to nearly **20,000 hours** of labor .

Youth employment programs engaged 64 students from across Central Oregon in the management of the Deschutes National Forest.

*- Overall data includes an additional 45 volunteers, 3,793 volunteer hours, and 1,440 hosted hours that were managed out of the Supervisor's Office.

Overall Volunteer Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	43,556.90	\$930,375.38	24.20
Heritage Program	20.00	\$427.20	0.01
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	1,244.00	\$26,571.84	0.69
Fire Protection and Fuels	743.00	\$15,870.48	0.41
TOTAL	45,563.90	\$973,244.90	25.31

Overall Hosted Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	5,263.00	\$112,417.68	2.92
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	2,034.00	\$43,446.24	1.13
Range Management	1,213.50	\$25,920.36	0.67
Forest Management	1,404.50	\$30,000.12	0.78
Watershed	751.50	\$16,052.04	0.42
Fire Protection and Fuels	8,897.00	\$190,039.92	4.94
TOTAL	19,563.50	\$417,876.36	10.87

Overall Youth Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	5,291.00	\$113,015.76	2.94
Heritage	228.00	\$4,870.08	0.13
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	2,842.00	\$60,705.12	1.58
Range Management	704.00	\$15,037.44	0.39
Forest Management	1,415.00	\$30,224.40	0.79
Fire Protection and Fuels	4,487.00	\$95,842.32	2.49
Facilities	292.00	\$6,237.12	0.16
TOTAL	15,259.00	\$325,932.24	8.48



Sisters Ranger District

In 2011 the Sisters Ranger District grew in its Volunteer and Hosted programs, in large part due to its partnership with National Forest Foundation and the Tale of Two Rivers program.

Approximately **451 Volunteers** contributed their energy to the Sisters Ranger District, with most volunteer activities organized in partnership with NFF. These volunteer projects included: multiple trail projects, Earth Day Clean -up, Let's Pull Together (weed pulling), Friends of the Forest Day, Paint Outs, and National Public Land Day.

The hosted program on Sisters Ranger District continued to grow due to the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council Work-Education program and the inmate work program with the Oregon Department of Corrections, Deer Ridge Facility.

Projects on the Sisters Ranger District Youth employed **13 students** in resource management work during the summer. In addition, the COIC workeducation progam's focus on youth engagement yielded an additional **29 students** doing project work on the Sisters Ranger District.

Volunteer Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	11,379.90	\$243,074.66	6.32
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	296.00	\$6,322.56	0.16
Fire Protection and Fuels	743.00	\$15,870.48	0.41
TOTAL	12,418.90	\$265,267.70	6.90

Hosted Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Forest Management	528.00	\$11,278.08	0.29
Fire Protection and Fuels	5,897.00	\$125,959.92	3.28
TOTAL	6,425.00	\$137,238.00	3.57

Youth Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	707.00	\$15,101.52	0.39
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	612.00	\$13,072.32	0.34
Forest Management	255.00	\$5,446.80	0.14
Fire Protection and Fuels	1,783.00	\$38,084.88	0.99
TOTAL	3,357.00	\$71,705.52	1.87

Grand Total:

- 22,201 hours,
- \$474,212 and
- 12.34 FTE



Bend-Ft. Rock Ranger District

The Bend-Ft. Rock Ranger District actively engaged in Youth, Volunteer, and Hosted programs.

Approximately **1,028 Volunteers** contributed to the Bend-Ft. Rock Ranger District, primarily in the Wilderness and Trails programs. Through a partnership with the Student Conservation Assoc., an SCA Intern was hosted to manage the Wilderness and Trail Volunteers. In addition, the Mt. **Bachelor Snowshoe Program** and Lava Lands programs had many dedicated volunteers and SCA interns, including delivering conservation education messages about white nose syndrome.

Hosted programs expanded with new agreements with Deschutes Co. Community Justice, Deschutes Co. Sheriff's Office, Veteran's Affairs, Oregon Department of Corrections and our continued involvement with the Oregon National Guard Youth Challenge Program.

Bend-Ft. Rock Youth employment programs, kept **30 students** engaged in resource management work. In addition, many of the Hosted Programs focused on youth engagement with an additional **482 students** doing project work on the Bend-Ft. Rock Ranger District.

Volunteer Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	20,817.10	\$444,653.26	11.57
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	736.00	\$15,720.96	0.41
Forest Management	20.00	\$427.20	0.01
TOTAL	21,573.10	\$460,801.42	11.99

Hosted Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	4,723.00	\$100,883.28	2.62
Wildlife, Fish, and Rare Plants	234.00	\$4,998.24	0.13
Forest Management	656.50	\$14,022.84	0.36
Range	1,213.50	\$25,920.36	0.67
Watershed	751.50	\$16,052.04	0.42
Fire Protection and Fuels	3,000.00	\$64,080.00	1.67
TOTAL	10,578.50	\$225,956.76	5.88

Youth Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	2,304.00	\$49,213.44	1.28
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	1,088.00	\$23,239.68	0.60
Forest Management	476.00	\$10,167.36	0.26
Range	704.00	\$15,037.44	0.39
Fire Protection and Fuels	1,792.00	\$38,277.12	1.00
Facilities	64.00	\$1,367.04	0.04
TOTAL	6,428.00	\$137,302.08	3.57

Grand Total:

- 38,580 hours,
- \$824,061 and
- 21.44 FTE

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Crescent Ranger District

The Crescent Ranger District continued to grow in its Youth, Volunteer, and Hosted programs in 2011.

168 Volunteers worked on projects on the Crescent Ranger District during the year. Crescent continues its creative energy in engaging volunteers and partners in spotted frog surveys, aspen restoration, and LIDAR quality control mapping just to name a few.

In 2011, Crescent embarked on a relationship with OSU's College of Forestry SEED's program, hosting **two culturally diverse OSU students** as interns. This program launch was a pilot for a potential region-wide program.

In addition this year, Crescent Ranger District hosted two youth crews providing employment to **21 students**.

Volunteer Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	7,566.60	\$161,622.58	4.20
Heritage Program	20.00	\$427.20	0.01
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	212.00	\$4,528.32	0.12
Forest Management	70.00	\$1,495.20	0.04
TOTAL	7,868.60	\$168,073.30	4.37

Hosted Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	300.00	\$ 6,408.00	0.17
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	600.00	\$ 12,816.00	0.33
Forest Management	220.00	\$ 4,699.20	0.12
TOTAL	1,120.00	\$ 23,923.20	0.62

Youth Data

Resource Category	Hours	Value	FTE
Recreation	2,280.00	\$48,700.80	1.27
Heritage	228.00	\$4,870.08	0.13
Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants	1,142.00	\$24,393.12	0.63
Forest Management	684.00	\$14,610.24	0.38
Fire Protection and Fuels	912.00	\$19,480.32	0.51
Facilities	228.00	\$4,870.08	0.13
TOTAL	5,184.00	\$116,924.64	3.04

Grand Total:

- 14,463 hours,
- \$308,922 and
- 8.03 FTE

