



Annual Report

2014 Highlights

Action
Through
Understanding



2014 Funding Highlights

- Secured **\$660,000** in grants and contracts for restoration, education, and monitoring
- Secured **\$86,000** in new funding to support our Urban Water & Wildlife Program
- Total amount received from fundraising **increased by 27%**
- **22% increase** in the number of people who gave to LTWC

Restoring Streams & Habitat

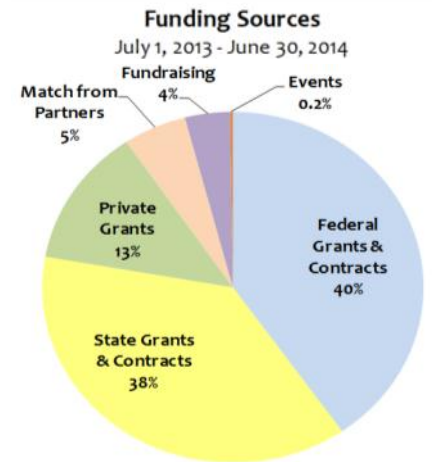
- Actively worked on 36 sites to improve **habitat for native species** in and near **streams, on farms and prairies, wetlands, and oak habitats**
- Completed our 2nd urban project to **filter stormwater runoff**
- Removed or replaced 6 barriers to open 16 miles for **fish migration**
- Enhanced over 400 acres of **rare oak woodland & savanna, upland prairie and wet prairie** habitats
- Planted 58,000 **native trees & shrubs**
- **Partnered with local land managers and private landowners** to remove **invasive weeds** from 330 acres along the Willamette River

Engaging the Community

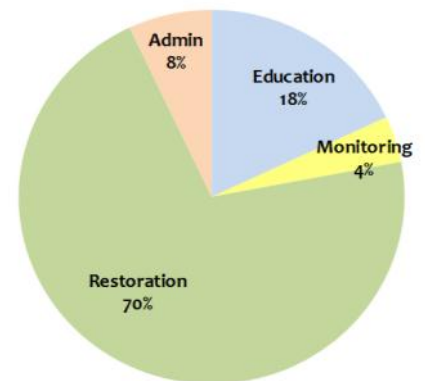
- Involved 183 volunteers in **community outreach, watershed science and stewardship, technical expertise, and board service**
- Engaged 228 community members at 6 **public watershed learning events**
- Started a new outreach program to **educate local Spanish-speakers** who work with pesticides in the yard and landscape business
- Developed **relationships** with dozens of new landowners for future opportunities

Learning through Gathering Data

- Collected **pesticide and water quality samples** at 5 sites in Amazon Creek
- 28 volunteers tagged 34 **cutthroat trout**, and over 500 cutthroat are being tracked to learn about their **population and seasonal migratory patterns**.
- Gathered **water temperature data** at 27 sites across the watershed
- Sampled **macroinvertebrates** from 5 sites as indicators of stream health



Expenses: \$802,527
July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014



Mission: The Long Tom Watershed Council serves to improve water quality and watershed condition in the Long Tom River basin through education, coordination, consultation, and cooperation among all interests, using the collective wisdom and voluntary action of our community members.

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Taste the Watershed (9)

Brigadoon Wine Co., Hop Valley Brewing Co, Ninkasi Brewing Co., Oakshire Brewing Co., Organically Grown Co., Party Downtown, Pyrenees Lounge & Wine Cellars, Silvan Ridge Winery, Sweet Life Patisserie

Grant & Project Partners

Private (8)

Bonneville Environmental Foundation, Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI), Richard & Gretchen Evans, McKenzie River Trust, Meyer Memorial Trust, National Fish & Wildlife Foundation, Network of Oregon Watershed Councils, Sure Crop Farm Service

Public (10)

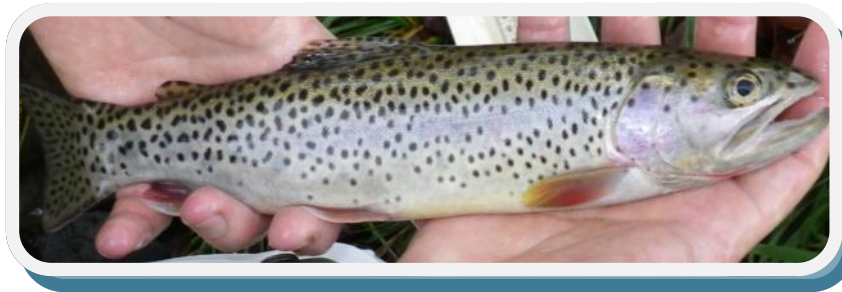
City of Eugene, FSA Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, Oregon Dept. of Agriculture, Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality, Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service



**Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers, donors, project landowners and everyone who supports clean water and healthy habitat in the Long Tom River basin.
Your dedication makes LTWC's work possible!**



A snapshot of local impact



Action through Understanding since 1998

Willamette River • Long Tom River • Amazon Creek

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Model Watershed Program in rural areas

Helping fish, wildlife & future generations

After increasing our work in 3 rural creek basins for 6 years, we are making progress on our ambitious goals. LTWC was chosen to participate in this unique 10-year program due to our diverse community support, science-based prioritization of work, high-quality monitoring data, and our proven

10 years of results working with private landowners to achieve habitat restoration. Projects include opening streams so native trout can migrate once again, plantings for shade and habitat, and restoring productive prairies, wetlands, and oak savannas. This remarkable progress has helped LTWC and its partners receive several local and international awards – most recently the **Outstanding Civilian Service Award** from the Army Corps of Engineers.



Amazon Creek

Bridging urban & rural communities

LTWC is leading an amazing partnership to improve Eugene's hidden gem, Amazon Creek. We're continuing to monitor pesticides through the **Pesticide Stewardship Program** — the only such effort in Oregon to include an urban area (Eugene) that is upstream of farmland. With

the capital investment of local business owners matched by City of Eugene, we've already completed two voluntary stormwater improvement projects and are designing more. This **curbs stormwater pollution 20-50 years ahead of time**—long before it would have been subject to the higher water quality standards of redevelopment codes.



Photo: Raptorviews, Philip Bayles, psb@efn.org

Willamette River

Community outreach, science & stewardship

We are using our **expertise in landowner outreach and habitat restoration** to partner with land trusts and others in talking with river landowners, removing invasives, and restoring habitat function and quality along the Willamette River. This leadership is resulting in a network of conservation learning and action that will **meet the needs of both people and the river, together**.



Leading community-based conservation. LTWC has led the development and implementation of nearly 80 restoration projects and multiple programs since 1998.

Helping property owners directly. Over 90% of the Long Tom Watershed, and the Willamette River basin, is private land. We've become experts in helping people find solutions for fish, wildlife and water quality that match their values and business needs.

Win-win scenarios. LTWC matches the funding priorities of foundations and government grantors with local community needs and conservation priorities.

Investing in our local economy. Over 85% of LTWC revenue is spent on local vendors, with a 2.6 multiplier effect on job creation in Lane County.

Our Impact in Numbers

(1998—2014)

- 79 habitat restoration projects
- Over 26 stream miles restored
- Over 850 total acres restored or currently being enhanced
- This includes over 600 acres of rare oak and prairie habitat
- 34 fish migration barriers removed or replaced

“One thing that struck me about the (Council) was their enthusiasm, passion, and interest in working to better the local watershed.” – Dick Evans, philanthropist

Restoration Project Locations





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Restoration Project Landowners. These wonderful folks have voluntarily done restoration work on their land.

Private (55)

Kristen Anderson (2007), Paul Atkinson (2008), Barrows Family (2012), Al & Wanda Bartlett (2005), Will & Kathy Bondioli (2002), Boy Scouts of America / Oregon Trail Council (2011), Jim & Maria Bradshaw (2012), Ted & Linda Brown (2012), Ryan Collay (2001), Davis Commercial Properties (2012), Deck Family Farm (2010), Ron & Pam Detering (2001, 2013), Wallace & Roberta Detering (2013), Paula & Curtis Erickson (2009), Kathy Flanagan & John McClurkin (2013), Scott Gibson (2007, 2008), Giustina Land & Timber (2013, 2014), Jack Gray & Mary Jo Wade (2006, 2008), Trey & Tammie Hagen (2011, 2012), Kent Hansen (2008), Glen & Genie Harden (2008), Dave & Marta Heidt (2007, 2010), Gary & Jo Holzbauer (2003), Hull-Oakes Land & Timber (2013), Hunton Family (2005), Rick Huhtanen & Karen Scholler (2003), Derek & Diane Jaros (2007), Art & Anita Johnson (2000, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2010), Val & Ken Kime (2011), Pete Kingzett (2014), Kurt & Mary Koehler (2011), Rick & Patti Little (2003), Deborah & Alan Mattson (2005, 2007, 2011), Joe McFadden (2008), Cary Moffett (2005), Rick Movsky (2002), Ron & Janice Murphy (2008), John & Gwen Neumeister (2003), Hal Noble (2005), Kathy Noble (2005), Dave & Linda Schudel (2012), Steve Sertic (2004), Smyth Family (2014), Heather Sogge (2010), Tad Sogge (2010), Linda Stork (2006), Stroda Family (2007, 2008, 2011), Swanek Family (2014), Molly Templeton (2002), Thermo Fisher Scientific (2013), Andy & Maryrae Thomson (2003, 2011), Randy Tittle & Marion Sproul (2014), Dave & Suzanne Turner (2005), Dave & Isabel Watkins (2011), Mark Westphal (2002)

Public (6)

Bureau of Land Management (2010, 2011, 2013, 2014), City of Eugene (2001, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2014), Lane County (2001, 2013, 2014), Oregon Parks & Recreation (2013), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (2012), U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (2014)



“Eating dinner beside the Willamette in Portland, it was humbling to think of the same water flowing by my farm (near Monroe) on the Long Tom River first, then through Portland on its way to the ocean. It supports trout and salmon the entire way.”

–Tony Stroda, Stroda Brothers Farm