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Coos Watershed Association
2021 Accomplishments

Haley Lutz
Executive Director
2021 Finances

2021 Revenue by Source
$1,772,326
- Federal grants, 16%
- Donations, 1%
- State grants, 56%
- Foundations, 10%
- Contracts & services, 17%

2021 Expenditures by Category
$1,712,144
- Contracted services, 42%
- Salaries & benefits, 40%
- Supplies & materials, 12%
- Travel, 1%
- Office expenses, 5%
Restoration

Catching Creek: Planted over 4,000 native plants, fenced over 2 miles of stream

Marlow Creek: Installed 22 log jams and widened passage through a boulder falls to give fish access to two miles of spawning and rearing habitat upstream

Tioga Creek: Installed 16 log jams, removed 2 failing stream crossings that will be replaced in 2022-23 and improve access to a mile of upstream habitat.
Restoration

Partners: Weyerhaeuser, LBA contract Cutting, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, NOAA Restoration Center, ODFW, OWEB, Oregon Youth Corps and Wild Salmon Center.

Williams Falls: Improved passage to 21 miles of high quality habitat through artificial falls and added 73 root wads along the newly widened bank.
Noxious Weeds

Treated European Beachgrass, Gorse, Biddy Biddy, Scotch Broom and Thistle infestations.

Hosted 3 invasive species removal events, during which 54 people dedicated nearly 150 hours
Matson Native Plant Nursery

Grew nearly 20,000 plants composed of over 27 species for local restoration projects

With support from Oregon Youth Corps and the Reser and Schwemm foundations we finished rehabilitating the garage structure which provides vital space for our riparian restoration, noxious weeds and youth crew programs
Life Cycle Monitoring

With the help of 4 interns, completed 17th year of monitoring coho abundance, survival, life histories and habitat use in Palouse, and 6th year at Willanch

98 adult and jack coho observed in Willanch Creek and 736 total in Palouse Creek. These numbers were above average for the 17-year study period and one of the top five return years in that time frame.
Stream Gauges

Operate and maintain 7 stream gauges (East and West Fork Millicoma, Marlow, South Fork Coos, Tioga, Tenmile and Eel). These gauges provide stream flow, water and weather data. Taught 2021 Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program interns how to measure streamflow.

Utilizing real-time telemetry stream gauge data is updated hourly and available on our website.
Tide gates

Alongside Coquille Watershed Association and Coos Soil and Water Conservation District we invested over 150 hours in providing information to landowners who are navigating the challenging process of tide gate repairs and replacements.

Brought in over $400,000 to help design and permit 8 tide gates.
Outreach and Education

Celebrated the 5th Annual Mayfly Festival by creating a Mayfly Festival Activity Booklet!

Worked with over 20 youth in school-year & summer youth crew programs:
Planted over 80 plants on school campuses, removed invasive species, built fences at restoration sites, maintained nursery
Thank you to all of the landowners, community members, funders and technical partners who made this work possible!
Aubrey Thorsen
Thank you for your 5 years of service!
Al Solomon
Thank you for your 10 years of service!
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