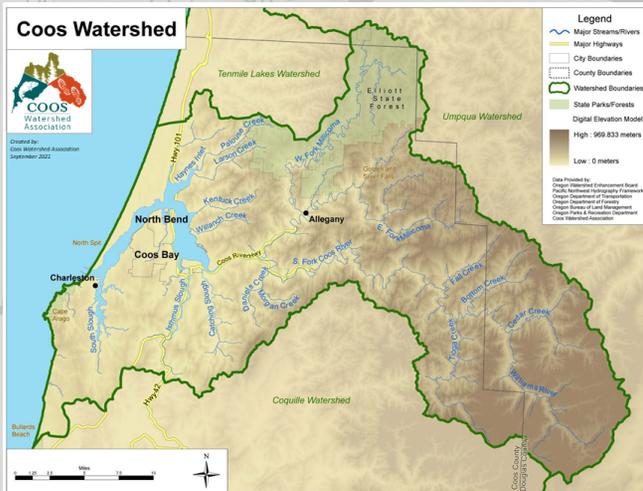


KNOW YOUR WATERSHED

A watershed is an area of land where all of the water drains to the same place. The Coos Watershed is the 610 square miles of land that drains through Coos Bay into the Pacific Ocean. It includes all forks and tributaries of the South Fork Coos and Millicoma Rivers, and all of the sloughs and creeks that drain into Coos Bay.



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ABOUT US

The Coos Watershed Association (CoosWA) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to restoration, monitoring, and education as a means of preserving watershed health in the Coos Basin. Our strength lies in collaboration: connecting and empowering our community to take an active part in ensuring a healthy future for our watershed.

To carry out our mission of supporting environmental integrity and economic stability, we employ 11 full-time staff and many other seasonal employees, interns, and contractors. Through our grants and projects, we bring an average of 1.5-2 million dollars to Coos County each year.

WATERSHED COUNCILS

The Coos Watershed Association is one of 90 watershed councils designated by local government across the state of Oregon. Watershed councils are defined as “locally organized, voluntary, non-regulatory groups established to improve the condition of watersheds in their local area.”



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PROGRAMS

MONITORING

Effective, on-the-ground monitoring is a key part of successful restoration. We monitor changes and trends in the Coos watershed through stream gauges, habitat surveys, electronic fish tagging, rotary screw trap sampling, seining, and more. These efforts help us measure current success and prioritize areas for future restoration.

RESTORATION

CoosWA and our partners work hard to restore function and vitality to streams in our watershed to benefit fish, people, and everything in-between. We do this through log jams, channel reconfiguration, riparian (streamside) plantings, sediment reduction, and fish passage improvements. All projects are based on careful analysis of aquatic habitat and landowner needs.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

We connect with our community through public presentations, events, workshops, and innovative career mentoring and internship programs for youth and adults. These programs aim to connect people to resources and foster a sense of environmental stewardship. Call, email, or visit us for info or ideas. This is YOUR watershed, and we want to work with YOU!