



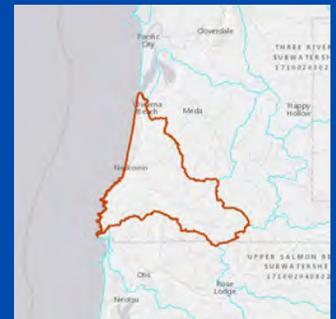
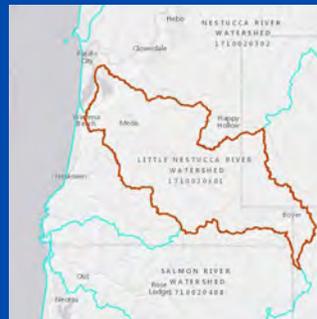
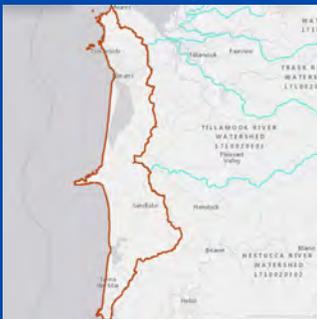
2022 Annual Report

Nestucca, Neskowin, & Sand Lake

Watersheds Council



The mission of the council, working in partnership with private and governmental stakeholders, is to improve the environmental health of our watersheds to benefit those who live and work within their boundaries and for the fish and wildlife that depend on them.

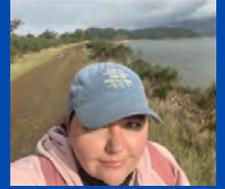


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Total Investment:

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Butte Creek Bridge Replacement

The pre-existing wooden ~50 year old private bridge owned by NCLC was beginning to fail and was a partial fish barrier. NNSLWC, in partnership with NCLC, replaced it with a 44' railcar bridge to provide a durable sole stream crossing for numerous residents and improved fish passage. The project was funded by an ODFW Drought Fund grant.



PARTNERS AND FUNDERS

- North Coast Land Conservancy
- Residents
- ODFW
- Jones Excavating

Total Investment:
~ \$96,500.00

Proposal Rock Loop/Sutton Creek Design Project

The lower Sutton Creek culvert on Proposal Rock Loop failed in the November 2021 flood, causing a washout of the roadway. NNSLWC acquired an ODFW Drought Fund grant to complete 100% design work for its replacement (& upstream culvert). Implementation funding is being sought.



PARTNERS AND FUNDERS

- ODFW
- USFS
- Proposal Rock HOA
- Stillwater Sciences
- NNSLWC Tech Team

Project Budget:
~ \$86,125.00



Streamside Planting

In 2022 the Council worked with 7 landowners to plant 100 acres, and maintained past plantings on 100 acres. Planting efforts focused on the mainstem Nestucca and tributaries as well as the Little Nestucca River.

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In-stream habitat enhancement in Sand Lake To improve salmonid spawning and rearing habitat in the Sand Lake basin, the NNSL Council is planning to increase habitat complexity by adding Large Wood (LW) in key tributaries, as identified by a prior Limiting Factor Analysis (LFA). This project would not be possible if not for the involvement of local timber and landowners. **Partners: Stimson Lumber, United States Forest Service, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and local landowners**



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 volunteers collected 1,040 lbs of trash that were then properly disposed of!



Other Outreach Activities

- Salmon SuperHighway NOAA Tour
- OSU CEOAS Grad Student Visit to Neskowin Egress Project
- Neskowin Community Association Newsletter Update
- Tillamook Working Lands & Waters Cooperative's Legislative Visitor Event
- Tillamook County High Schools Working Lands Career Day
- Tillamook County Estuarine Resilience Action Planning Working Group
- Tillamook County Community Water Knowledge Exchange Network
- Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors
- Hebo Stewardship Group (USFS & CPRCD)
- Network of Oregon Watershed Councils
- SSH Executive Team and Technical Team
- TEP Sitka Sedge Tidal Wetlands Project Technical Team



Future Projects

Fish Passage Enhancement in Neskowin Sand Lake and Neskowin The Council is in the final planning stages and will soon be implementing a **culvert replacement project on Sutton Creek**, which will include enhancing fish passage at two different crossing sites along South Beach Road in the Neskowin basin. **Partners: United States Forest Service, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Hebo Stewardship Group, South Beach Road Association, and local landowners**

The Council hopes to be working with ODFW, Wild Salmon Center, and numerous other partners beginning in 2024 to develop a Nestucca Basin Coastal Coho Strategic Action Plan (NOAA Grant submitted by WU).

Butte Creek's Sunbow Drive crossing is also planned for replacement in 2024 (NOAA Grant submitted by SSH).

Also, In collaboration with the Tillamook Estuaries Partnership and Oregon State Parks, the Council continues to assist in the planning and permitting of the **Sitka Sedge Tidal Restoration and Fish Passage Project** in the Sand Lake Estuary.

Awards & Recognition



2022 NFHP/PMEP (National Fish Habitat Partnership/Pacific Marine & Estuarine Fish Habitat Partnership) Waters to Watch Project Recognition – Neskowin Emergency Egress Project [completed in 2021].



Co-Awardee w/ other SSH Partners: Three Rivers-Cedar Creek Hatchery Fish Passage Restoration Recognized with State Land Board Award

Thank you for a great 2022!

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