

Tribal, Watershed Council, and Private Landowner Collaboration for Successful Habitat Restoration in the Hood River Watershed

Abstract:

Alix Danielsen, Hood River Watershed Group and Richard McConville, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs, will provide an overview of the collaborative efforts of the Tribes, the Watershed Group, and over 12 private landowners to develop and implement a series of habitat restoration projects along Neal Creek in the Hood River Watershed. With the completion of a third phase in 2024, these projects will have enhanced over three miles of habitat for winter steelhead and coho salmon by adding over 800 pieces of large wood, creating over 700 feet of new side channels, and reconnecting over 25 acres of floodplain.

Progress Report on Local Stream Restoration

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Abstract:

Since 1940, Underwood Conservation District (UCD) has been serving landowners, farmers and land managers with natural resource concerns and conservation. As a non-regulatory, local service district in Skamania and western Klickitat Counties, UCD has had many exciting opportunities to partner with landowners and implement projects that benefit our region's watersheds, fish and wildlife habitat and working lands. This presentation will focus in on some of the recent stream restoration work undertaken by UCD, from fish passage projects to instream habitat enhancement and irrigation improvements. The presentation will conclude with a showing of UCD's 8-minute film "Renewal on the Little Wind River."
