

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

At the end of 2019 former director, Brooke Stanley, stepped down to pursue a career in the health care sector. I feel very privileged to follow in her capable footsteps. While I have spent several decades working for conservation groups in Portland, I am new to the unique field of watershed associations and am finding the job incredibly varied, technical and full of opportunity to improve habitat with on-the-ground projects.

Last year was full of accomplishments with opportunities to restore streams, marshes and wetlands throughout Clatsop county. We are grateful to agencies and our donors and volunteers for the support that makes this work possible.

In early 2020, our staff and board of directors worked on a three-year Strategic Plan to help guide our work in a well-planned and targeted approach that includes a focus on outreach to the broader community including underserved populations and restoration of native Chum runs in Upper Big Creek and Youngs Bay.

We are also launching our new Invasive Species Outreach and Education Program. Not only will we be continuing invasive removal and planting projects, but we will also be able to meet with home owners and provide back yard certification for folks that want to create natural, low-maintenance gardens that support people, wildlife, and the planet.

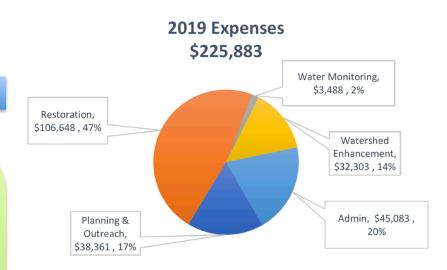
Finally, check out our updated website. We have everything from stream temperature monitoring data to upcoming events as well as easy ways to support our work.

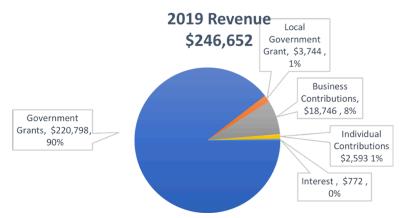
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Jane Klains

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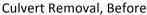
Income		
Government Grants	\$	220,798
Local Government Grant	\$	3,744
Business Contributions	\$	18,746
Individual Contributions	\$	2,593
Interest	\$	772
Total	\$	246,652
Expenses		
Planning & Outreach	\$	38,361
Restoration	\$	106,648
Water Monitoring	\$	3,488
Watershed Enhancement	\$	32,303
Admin	\$	45,083
Total	Ś	225,883
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MILL CREEK RESTORATION







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In 2019, the North Coast Watershed Association (NCWA) in conjunction with our partners, the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board and the Oregon Department of Forestry, completed restoration of 1.6 miles of Mill Creek and removal of two miles of decommissioned logging road. This effort created healthy habitat and reestablished connections to the Columbia River for spawning salmonids, beaver, native birds and other wildlife.

NATIVE CHUM SALMON RESTORATION



In partnership with the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board and Cascade Environmental Group, NCWA is leading an effort to rehabilitate native Chum salmon runs in Upper Big Creek and Youngs Bay. A Strategic Action Plan will be completed in 2020 with outreach, restoration and monitoring to follow until fish populations are reestablished.

LOWER COLUMBIA TIDAL WETLANDS RESTORATION



This project, in conjunction with the North Coast Land Conservancy, removed invasive plants including Purple Loosestrife and Yellow Iris from Wolf Bay and John Day River reserves. This concentrated, two year effort was very successful and followed up with plantings of native marsh plants.



BLACKBERRY BOG FARM STREAM RESTORATION



In cooperation with a private landowner and with funding from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board and our donors, we restored one-half mile of fish bearing stream bank on one side of Bear Creek in Svenson, Oregon. In total, 1500 plants, including 475 conifers, were planted adding 15-25 feet of riparian coverage.



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