



TILLAMOOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mary Faith Bell - Doug Olson - Erin Skaar

BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 9:00 AM

Join In Person:

County Courthouse, Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room 106, 201 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook

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2024-09-04 BOCC MEETING AUDIO.MP4 **(Commissioner Bell Absent - Out of Office)**

CALL TO ORDER – Wednesday, September 4, 2024 9:01 a.m.

1. [Welcome & Request to Sign Guest List](#)
03:18
2. [Pledge of Allegiance](#)
03:21
3. [Public Comment](#): There were none.
03:47
4. [Non-Agenda Items](#): There were none.
03:57

PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

5. [Nehalem Bay Watershed Council Annual Report/Zac Mallon, Director, Nehalem Bay Watershed Council](#)
04:05

LEGISLATIVE - ADMINISTRATIVE

6. Consideration of a Resolution in the Matter of Proclaiming the Month of September as "National Suicide Prevention Month" in Tillamook County, Oregon/Sarah Ermer, Prevention Specialist, Tillamook County Family Counseling Center; Amanda Ferrat, Chair, Tillamook County Suicide Prevention Coalition
32:37

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed #R-24-013.

7. Consideration of a Letter of Support to the Oregon Department of Forestry for the Lower Jetty Creek Watershed Forest Legacy Project/Mary Johnson, City Planner, City of Rockaway Beach
49:07

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed the letter of support.

8. Consideration of an Order in the Matter of Declaring County Owned Property as Surplus/Matt Kelly, Undersheriff
52:49

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed Order #24-054.

9. Consideration of a Service Agreement with Summit Food Services to Provide Food Services at the Tillamook County Correctional Facility/Josh Brown, Sheriff
54:48

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed the agreement.

10. Consideration of Professional Services Agreement 24/25-006 with Dental Care LLC to Hire Dental Staff, Provide Oversight and Training/Marlene Putman, Administrator, Health and Human Services
1:00:42

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed the agreement.

11. Consideration of Modification #2 to Professional Services Agreement #6510 with The Smile Studio for Federally Qualified Health Care (FQHC) Oregon Health Plan Medicaid and Non-Insured Dental Services/Marlene Putman, Administrator, Health and Human Services
01:04:14

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed the modification.

12. Consideration of a Personnel Requisition for a Returning Retired Employee - 150 Days on Call for the Public Health Seasonal Community Immunization Clinic in the Health and Human Services Department/Jodi Wilson, Director, Human Resources; Marlene Putnam, Administrator, Health and Human Services
01:07:09

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Vice-Chair signed the personnel requisition.

The Vice-Chair recessed the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

The Vice-Chair reconvened the meeting at 10:16 a.m.

13. Consideration of a 2024-2025 Services Agreement with the University of Oregon and AmeriCorps for Resource Assistance for Rural Environments Program/Randy Thorpe, Director, Emergency Management

1:18:05

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Vice-Chair signed the agreement.

14. Consideration of Change Order #1 to Contract for Goods #6564 with Bayview Asphalt Inc. for the 2024 Tillamook County Asphalt Procurement Project/Chris Laity, Director, Public Works

01:19:52

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed the change order.

15. Consideration of Modification #1 to Professional Services Agreement #6560 with Environmental Science Associates (ESA) for Engineering and Design Services for the Kilchis House Drainage Relief Project/Chris Laity, Director, Public Works

01:26:09

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed the modification.

16. Consideration of an Order in the Matter of the Reappointment of Members to the Tillamook County Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee/Dan Keyes, Director, Parks Department

01:29:32

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed Order #24-055.

17. Consideration of an Order in the Matter of the Appointment of Members to the Tillamook County Housing Commission/Parker Sammons, Housing Coordinator, Department of Community Development

29:32

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Board signed Order #24-056.

AGENDA ITEM TAKEN OUT OF ORDER

18. Consideration of Amendment 1 to Task Order 4 of Agreement 1141076 with Portland State University for the Situation Assessment Project/Rachel Hagerty, Chief of Staff

01:37:32

A motion was made by Commissioner Skaar and seconded by Vice-Chair Olson. The motion passed with two aye votes. The Vice-Chair signed the amendment.

19. Board Concerns

01:43:23

Tillamook State Forest Habitat Conservation Plan Updates/Commissioner Erin Skaar

OTHER MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

02:08:52

Labor Day is an observed holiday for the County and the Oregon State Circuit Court. All County offices in the Tillamook County Courthouse, Tillamook County Library, administrative offices in the Jail and Justice Facility, Public Works Department, Department of Community Development, Surveyor's Office, and the Health and Human Services Department and clinics will be **CLOSED** on Monday, September 2, 2024.

There is **NO** Leadership Team Meeting scheduled for Monday, September 2, 2024.

There is **NO** Board Briefing scheduled for Wednesday, September 4, 2024.

The Commissioners will attend a Budget Committee Roundtable meeting on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. to discuss upcoming budget planning. The meeting will be held in the Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room 106 in the Tillamook County Courthouse, 201 Laurel Avenue, Tillamook. The teleconference number is 1-971-254-3149, Conference ID: 866 914 607#.

ADJOURN – 11:08 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

	Present	Absent		Present	Absent
Mary Faith Bell	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	Rachel Hagerty	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Doug Olson	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	Bill Sargent	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Erin Skaar	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>			

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Name

Email or Address

Item of Interest

Sarah Ermer

saraha@+fcc.org

Suicide Prevention
Mental Proclamation

Amanda Ferrat

tespcinfo@gmail.com

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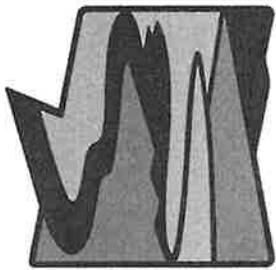
TILLAMOOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

WEDNESDAY, September 4, 2024

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**NEHALEM BAY
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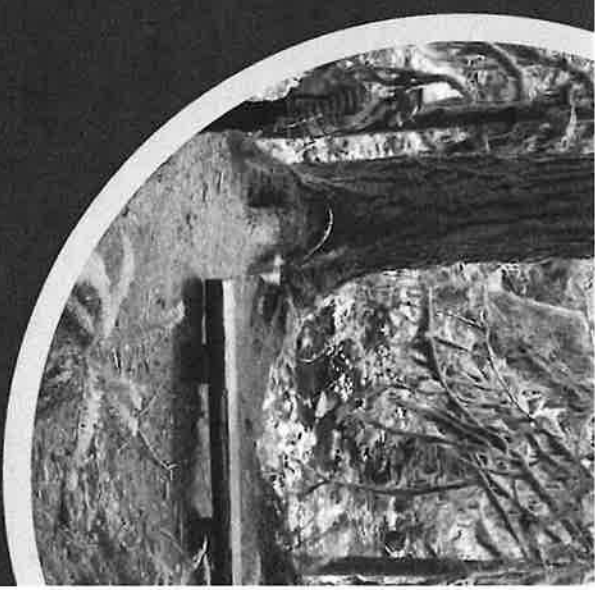
2023

YEAR

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REVIEW





Who's the Nehalem Bay Watershed Council?

www.NehalemWatershed.org



NBWC Mission

Protect, preserve, and enhance the
Nehalem Watershed through leadership,
cooperation, and education.

What We Do:

We work with landowners, private companies, local, state and federal agencies, and the community to restore and enhance habitat for fish and wildlife.

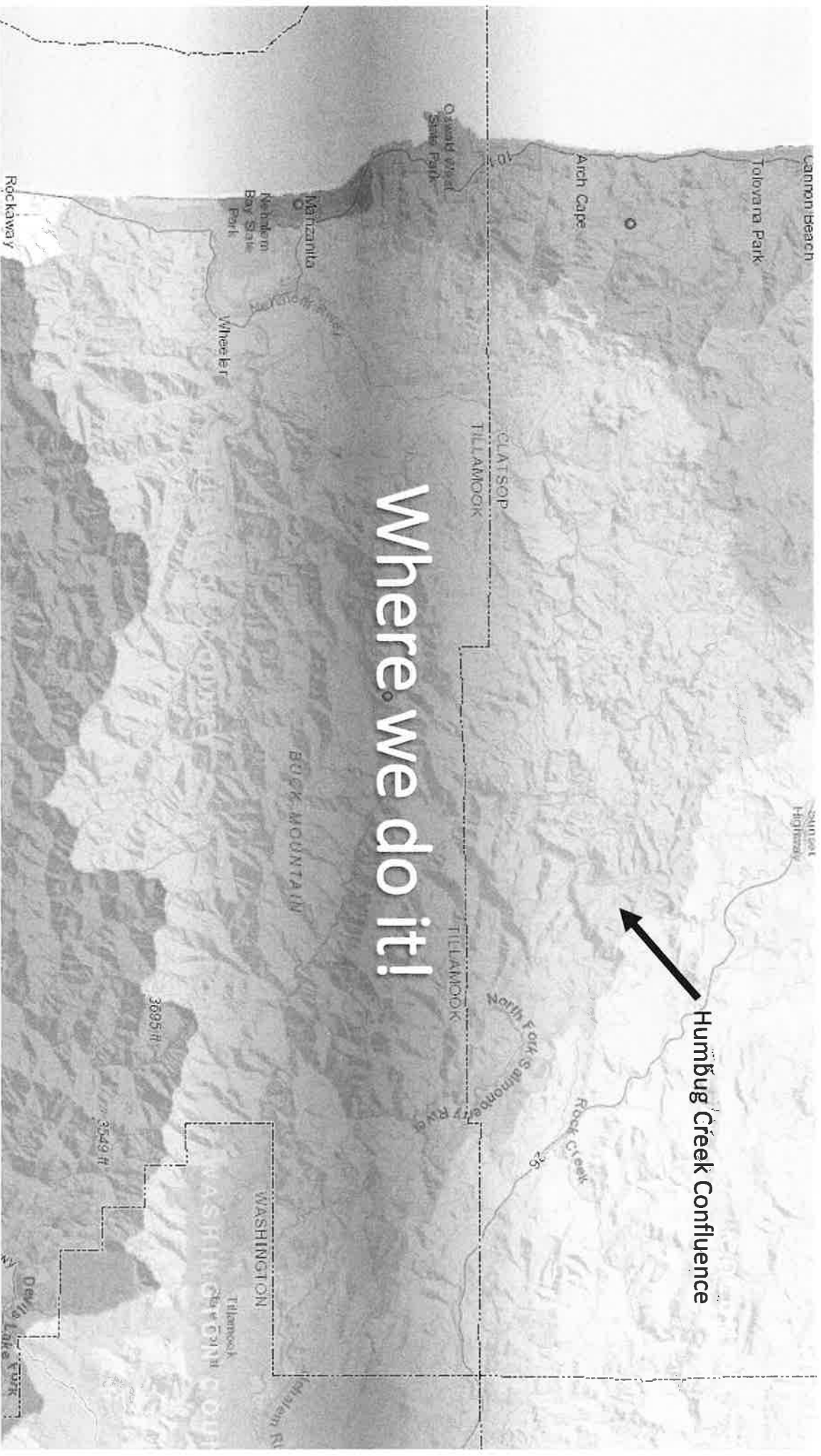


Restoration and Enhancement

- Research
- Project Design / Engineering
- Restoration
 - Fish Passage
 - Riparian Planting
 - In-Stream Enhancement

Outreach and Education

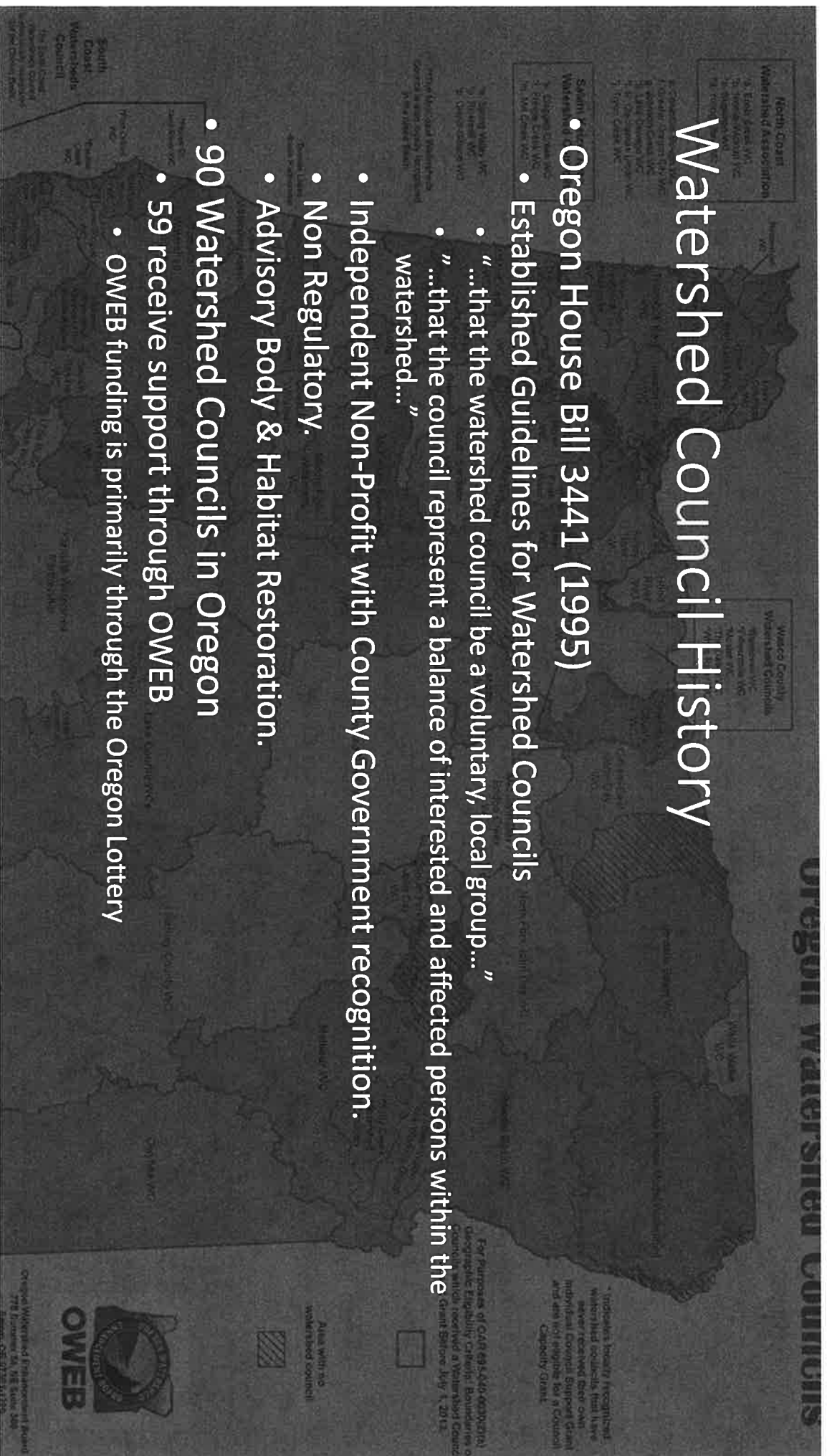
- Biennial Nehalem Estuary Cleanup
- Speaker Series
- Explore Nature!



Where we do it!

Watershed Council History

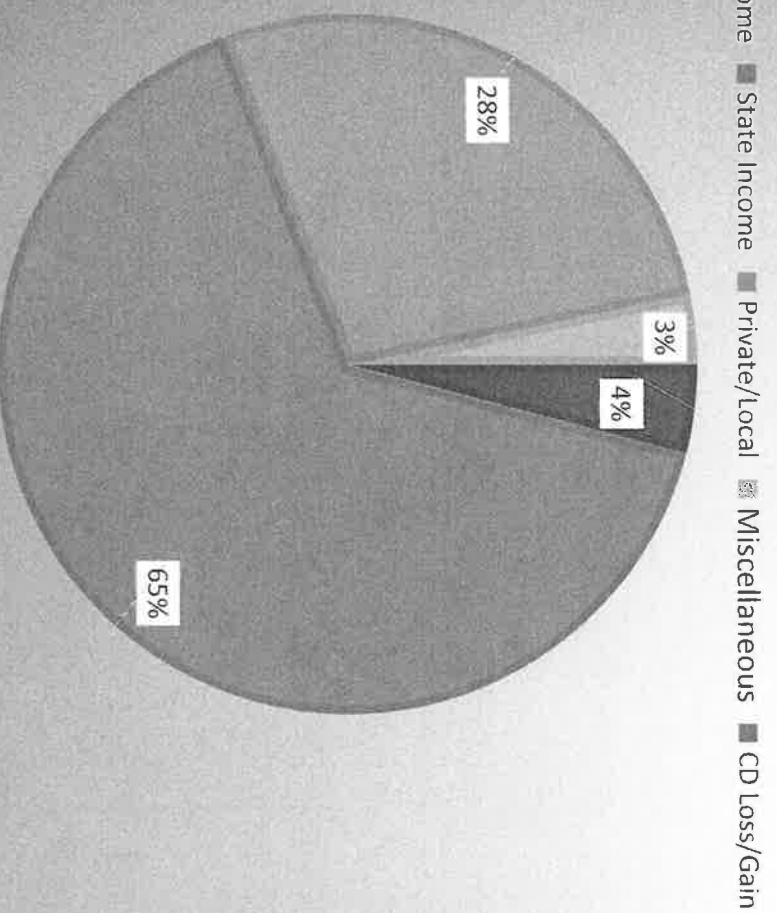
- Oregon House Bill 3441 (1995)
- Established Guidelines for Watershed Councils
 - “...that the watershed council be a voluntary, local group...”
 - “...that the council represent a balance of interested and affected persons within the watershed...”
- Independent Non-Profit with County Government recognition.
- Non Regulatory.
- Advisory Body & Habitat Restoration.
- 90 Watershed Councils in Oregon
- 59 receive support through OWEB
 - OWEB funding is primarily through the Oregon Lottery



2023 Income & Expenses

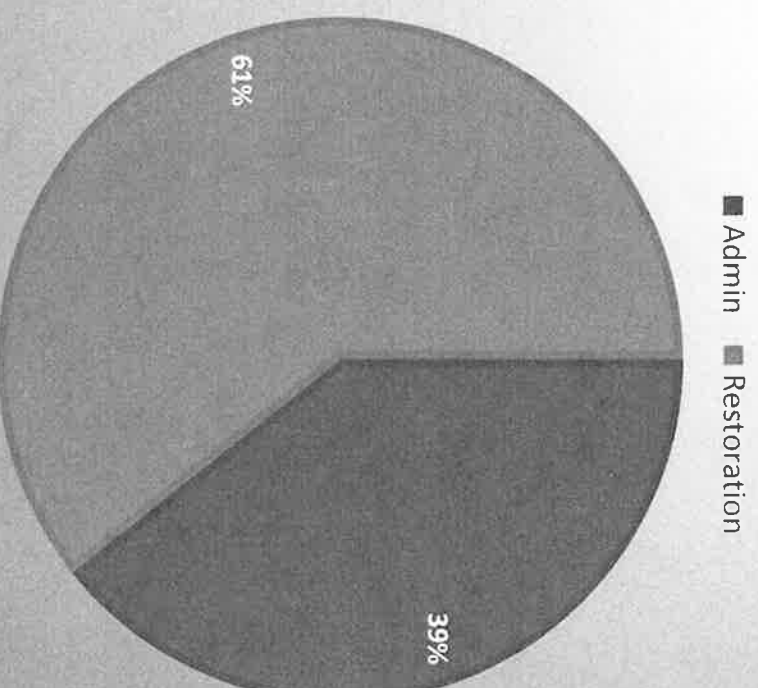
INCOME 2023

TOTAL INCOME: \$297,704.71



EXPENSES 2023

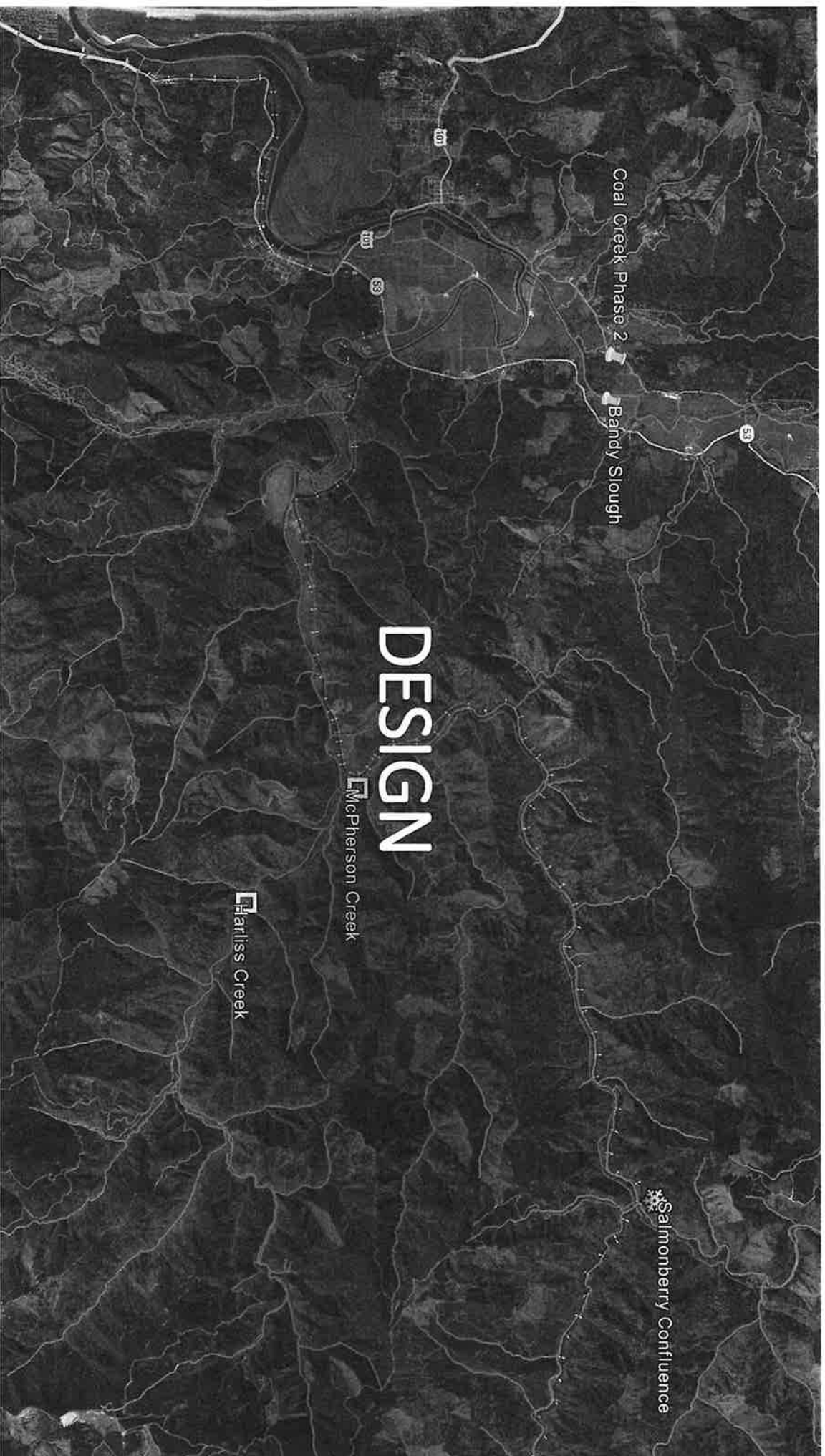
TOTAL EXPENSES: 262,464.73



2023 Projects



- Research
 - McDonald Slough Tide Gate Monitoring
 - Riparian Buffer Zones Survey
- Design Projects
 - Salmonberry River Confluence Cold Water Refugia
 - Bandy Slough Tide Gate Removal
 - Coal Creek Habitat Enhancement Phase 2
 - Cook Creek Vicinity Culvert Replacements
- Restoration
 - Nehalem River Ranch Riparian Restoration
 - Coal Creek Habitat Enhancement
 - Malone Riparian Revegetation
 - Little North Fork Large Wood Enhancement
- Collaborations
 - Nehalem Basin Partnership
 - North Coast Watershed Councils Collaborations
- Events
 - Speaker Series
 - Explore Nature



Coal Creek Phase 2

Bandy Slough

DESIGN

McPherson Creek

Charliss Creek

Salmonberry Confluence

Bandy Slough Tide Gate Removal Designs



Description: Bandy Slough is a small slough on the North Fork Nehalem. A tide gate and berm disconnect the historic wetland and flood plain from the river. Three private landowners have agreed to remove the tide gate. The removal will need to accommodate an easement for accessing power lines on site.

Status: Permit ready designs delivered in 2024. Moving into permitting and final designs for implementation in 2025. Wolf Water Resources as Engineers.

Goals:

- Restore fish passage to off channel habitat
- Provide winter refugia from high flows for juvenile salmonids
- Provide summer rearing habitat for juvenile salmonids
- Restore floodplain interaction and natural nutrient cycles.

Partners: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, Wild Salmon Center, PacificCorps, and Private Landowners.

DESIGN



Coal Creek Habitat Enhancement Phase 2



Description: This project is located in the tidal zone at the mouth of Coal Creek. It includes both banks of Coal Creek (0.3 miles) and includes bank setbacks, riparian restoration, tidal wetland restoration, and a tide gate removal.

Status: Alternatives Analysis in progress. Implementation anticipated for 2026.

Goals:

- Restore fish passage to off channel habitat
- Provide winter refugia from high flows for juvenile salmonids
- Provide summer rearing habitat for juvenile salmonids
- Restore floodplain interaction and natural nutrient cycles.

Partners: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, Wild Salmon Center, and Private Landowners.

Cook Creek Vicinity Culvert Replacements



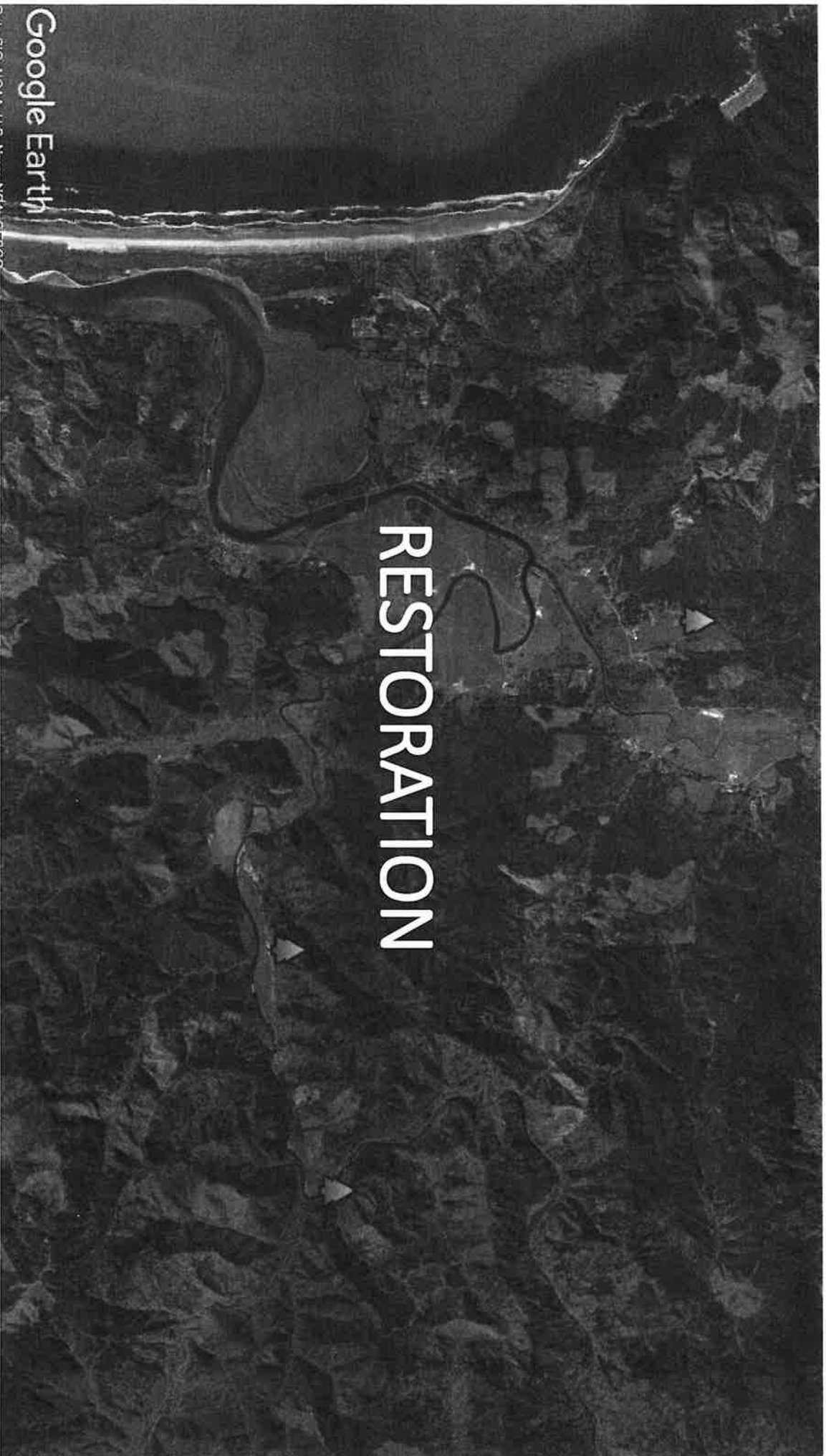
Description: This project will replace culverts on Harliss Creek tributary to Cook Creek and McPherson Creek tributary to the Nehalem River. This will provide fish passage to a combined 2.05 miles of Coho habitat.

Status: 30% designs completed for McPherson Creek. Alternatives Analysis completed for Harliss Creek. Lower Columbia Engineering as engineers.

Goals:

- Restore fish passage to Harliss Creek (1.4 miles) and McPherson Creek (0.65 miles).

Partners: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Oregon Department of Forestry, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, Tillamook Estuaries Partnership, Wild Salmon Center



Google Earth

Malone Riparian Revegetation

Description: This project is planting among 4500 ft of riparian vegetation along the Nehalem River at the former site of Batterson Station. Native plants will be installed amongst Japanese Knotweed. The knotweed will be managed by keeping it knocked back around the native plantings until they are mature.

Status: In Progress



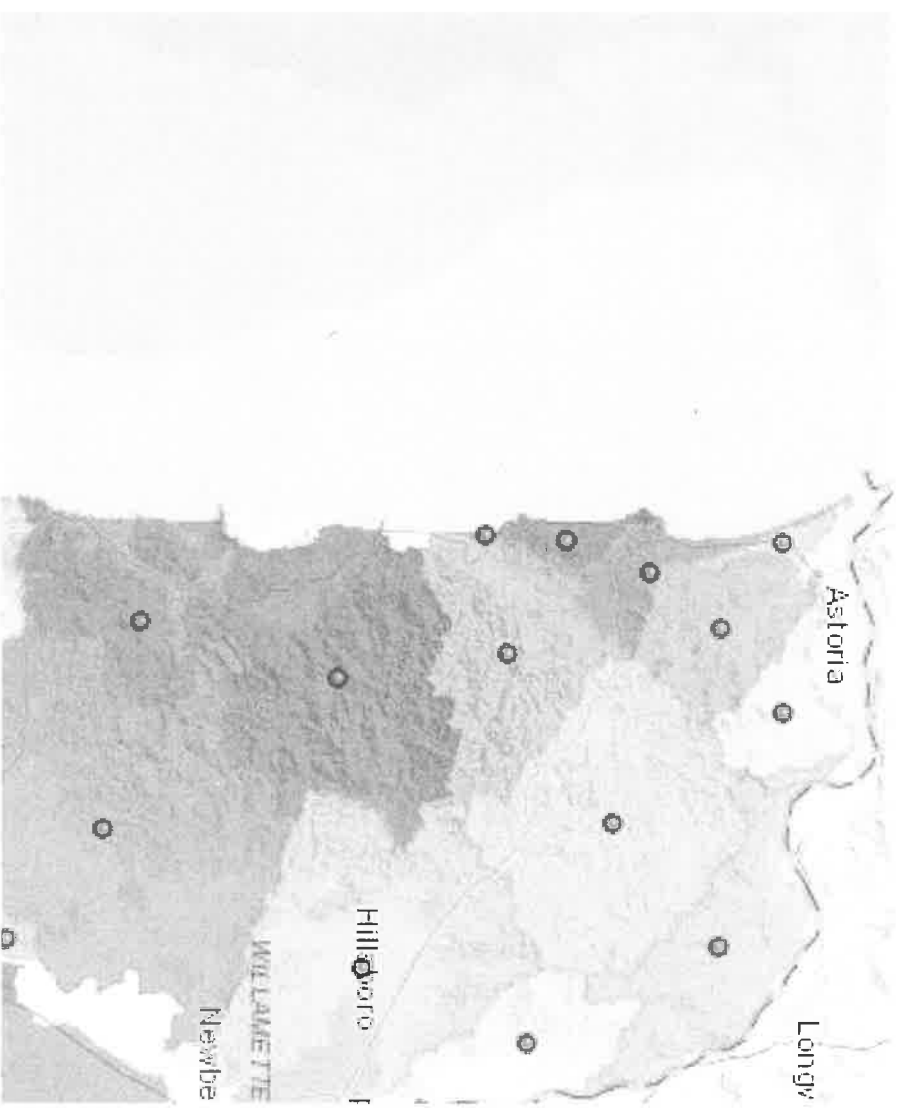
Goals:

- Establish Riparian Vegetation
- Improve nutrient cycling
- Improve infiltration
- Provide pollinator and bird forage and habitat
- Reduce Japanese Knotweed density

Partners:

- Back Yard Planting Program
- Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.
- Northwest Oregon Restoration Partnership
- Tillamook Estuaries Partnership

Collaborations



Nehalem Basin Partnership

Description: This partnership coordinates between stakeholders throughout the Nehalem Basin to pursue projects prioritized in the Nehalem Strategic Action Plan for Coho.

Goals:

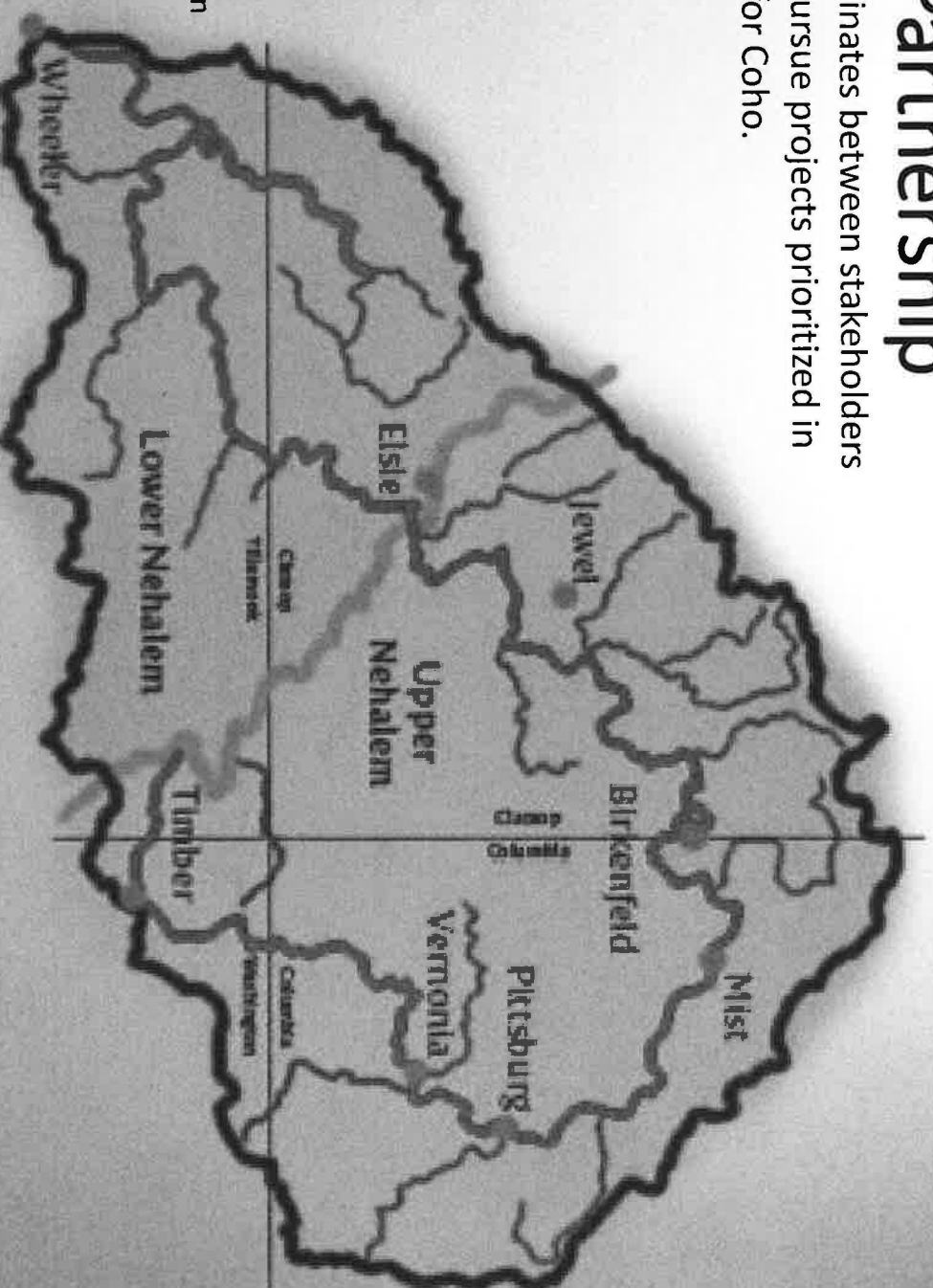
- Create more spawning and rearing habitat for Coho salmon.
- Improve coordination of restoration activities.
- Add large wood to all identified anchor habitats
- Remove fish passage barriers
- Improve wood recruitment by natural processes.

Accomplishments:

- Acquired an outreach grant to pursue a 10 year work plan.
- In final round of review for a \$2.5 million Coastal Resilience grant from NFWF

Partners:

Upper Nehalem Watershed Council
Local, State, and Federal Agencies
Regional Timber Companies
Many More



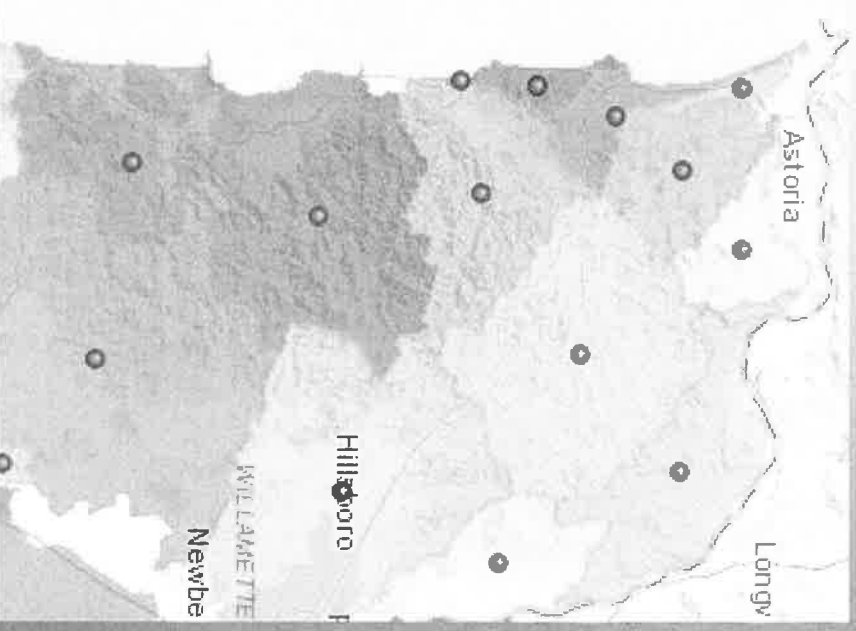
North Oregon Coast Watersheds Collaboration

Description: This project will identify shared goals that can be met by regional watershed councils by pooling resources.

Status: In Progress (Grant complete but still collaborating)

Goals:

- Identify areas of **collaboration**
 - Administrative
 - Outreach
 - Restoration Support
 - Technical Assistance
 - Operations Continuity.
- Developed an MOU to pursue collaborative efforts
- **Partners**
 - Upper Nehalem Watershed Council, Lower Columbia River Watershed Council, North Coast Watershed Association, Necanicum Watershed Council, Nestucca, Neskowin, and Sand Lake Watersheds Council, Tillamook Estuaries Partnership





2024 Biennial Estuary Clean Up!

- March 9th, 2024
- Community Clean-Up w/ Lunch, Youth Activities, and a Gift!

Expanding the Circle

- Planning to hire a 2nd Project Manager in 2024!
- Partnering with Reed College students and PCC Interns in 2024!
- New Board Member





Upcoming Projects!

Fish Passage

- Gallagher Slough
- Other Culverts

In-Stream Enhancement

- Salmonberry River Confluence
 - Jetty Creek
 - God's Valley Creek
 - Rackheap Creek

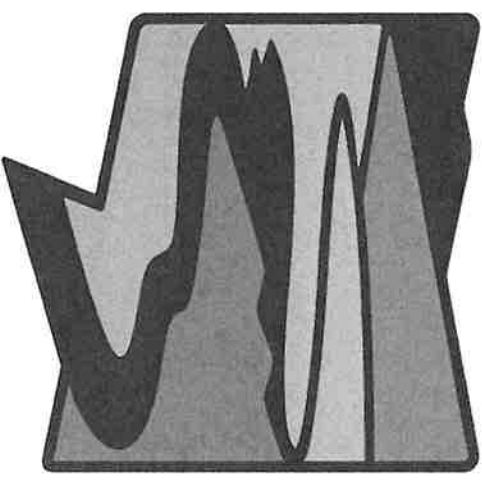
Riparian Enhancement

- Foley Creek
- Other Riparian Habitats

FUNDERS and PARTNERS

- Upper Nehalem Watershed Council
- Nestucca, Neskowin, and Sand Lake Watersheds Council
- Tillamook Estuaries Partnership
- Necanicum Watershed Council
- North Coast Watershed Council
- Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board
- Wild Salmon Center
- Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Portland State University Masters of Environmental Science and Management Program
- Oregon State University
- The Network of Oregon Watershed Councils
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
- Oregon Department of Forestry
- Backyard Planting Program
- Northwest Oregon Restoration Program
- Lewis and Clark Timberlands
- Lower Nehalem Community Trust
- Visit Tillamook Coast
- Siletz Tribal Charitable Contributions Fund
- Nehalem River Ranch
- The Nature Conservancy
- Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- Weyerhaeuser Western Timberlands
- Giustina Timber
- Heart of CARTM
- Private Landowners
- PacifiCorps





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Mary Faith Bell, Chair
Doug Olson, Vice-Chair
Erin D. Skaar, Commissioner

September 4, 2024

Oregon Department of Forestry
Attn: Christina Helige, Forest Legacy Coordinator
2600 State Street
Salem, OR 97310

RE: Lower Jetty Creek Watershed – Forest Legacy Project

Dear Ms. Helige:

The Tillamook County Board of Commissioners strongly supports the Lower Jetty Creek Watershed, Forest Legacy Project. The Forest Legacy project offers a timely opportunity to secure clean water, conservation, community forestry, and recreation goals for the benefit of present and future generations. Local ownership by the City of Rockaway Beach will protect municipal drinking water by ensuring that the coastal headlands remain intact as working forestland. A similar community forestry model enables Arch Cape to provide clean and safe drinking water to its residents and visitors through sustainable management for multiple benefits such as timber production, carbon sequestration, wildlife habitat, and local recreation.

Rockaway Beach's proposal offers significant landscape scale benefits considered with Oregon's 100-year water vision. This project offers the benefit of linking key conservation areas and providing protection for Oregon Conservation Strategy species and habitats. The project will also promote significant economic benefits through timber products and recreation. Oregon's North Coast provides an environment highly suitable for tree growth and timber yield. The harvestable area within the property will support jobs and provide revenue for restoration and forest management. Forest revenue will also be available to be used to offset the cost of public infrastructure projects.

Each year, visitors from all over the world make this region their destination to experience Oregon's coastal rainforest, spacious beaches, wild rivers, and rocky headlands. These sought after experiences have a direct economic influence on the local and greater Portland area. The work proposed in this grant is visionary and offers the best that the cooperative efforts of conservation, forestry, and clean water have to offer.

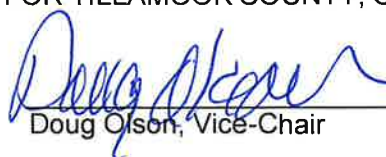
Thank you for the opportunity to comment and add Tillamook County's support for this project.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

Absent

Mary Faith Bell, Chair


Doug Olson, Vice-Chair


Erin D. Skaar, Commissioner