

SIUSLAW

WATERSHED COUNCIL

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

We're excited to say that we secured more than \$1-million in grant funds in 2020 to support restoration projects, outreach activities, our summer camp program, native plant distribution, habitat and water quality monitoring and partnership building initiatives.

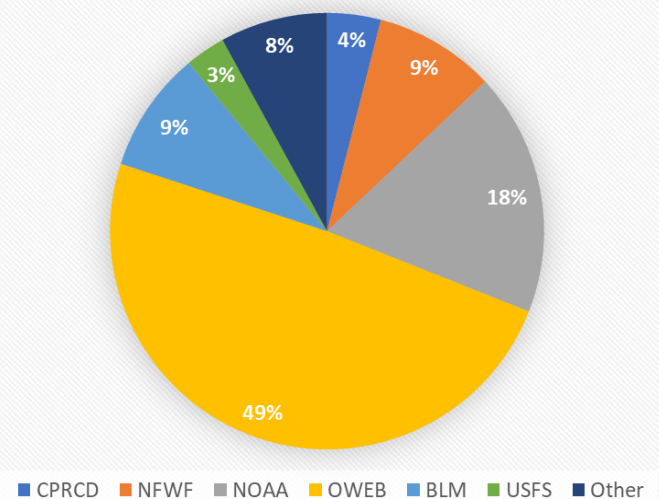
Furthermore, throughout 2020 we spent almost \$700k on contracted services, meaning we payed contractors, with a preference for local contractors, two million dollars to implement restoration projects or assist in design or engineering projects, creative projects to tell our story, developing our new website, completing our camp program, and so many more tasks.

For every one million dollars we spend on restoration projects, we support 15-18 jobs by hiring local contractors, and supporting local organizations who partner with us on our projects. From research, we know that for every \$1 we spend on restoration work, we spur \$1.60 of economic activity in our local economy when contractors we hire purchase local goods and services, when they may stay at a local hotel or eat at a local restaurant, or when they repair equipment and purchase parts and goods in our local stores.

With the support from our watershed council members, we are able to continue investing in our local economy, in our environment, and in educating local community members about our awesome natural surroundings and the delicate natural processes that support habitat for fish, and a resilient landscape in the face of a changing climate.



2020 Grant Awards



2020 Grant Awards include multi-year funding from the following sources: Cascade Pacific Resource Conservation & Development (CPRCD), National Fish & Wildlife Foundation (NFWF), National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) through the Wild Salmon Center, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB),



2020 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- More than **11,000 plants** were distributed through our Native Plant Distribution program.
- The **Siuslaw StoryMap project** was launched and made available to the community to learn about culture, history, and ecology in the watershed.
- More than **200 pieces of large wood** were placed to enhance in-stream, off-channel, and floodplain habitat for coho, trout, lamprey, and many other species.
- In the three months prior to the pandemic shut-down, we held three **well-attended community events**: Rocky Ocean Habitats and King Tides with ODFW and NOAA; Truffle Farming in Western Oregon with Charles Lefevre and John Getz; and “The Beaver Believers” film in partnership with McKenzie River Trust.
- To prepare for future planting events, we collected native seeds, harvested and processed more than 2,500 willow cuttings, and constructed a 3.5-acre enclosure.
- The SWC contributed to the seasonal installation and monitoring of a fish trap on Knowles Creek, which created outdoor opportunities for local schools and community members to learn about native fish.
- **Post-implementation surveys** were completed at large wood placement sites to assess project effectiveness.
- **Fish passage** was enhanced through culvert replacement.
- SWC projects **created local jobs and work**, including contracts and business with local tree fallers, heavy equipment operators, log truck drivers, surveyors, contractors, marinas, nurseries, and more.



2020 Year-in-Review...

While working conditions were extraordinary and challenging in 2020, the SWC was privileged to be able to be a part of completing a full slate of restoration projects, including culvert replacement to improve fish access to upstream habitat, addition of large wood using an excavator to Fish Creek, and using a helicopter to Rogers, Maria, Condon and Uncle Creeks. The last phase of floodplain restoration work at Fivemile-Bell is being completed, and countless native plants were planted, protected, and maintained throughout the watershed. Miles of stream were surveyed to record habitat conditions before and after restoration projects, and as always, we continue to maintain past projects and plan for future ones. None of this would be possible without the support of our grantors, members, and donors.

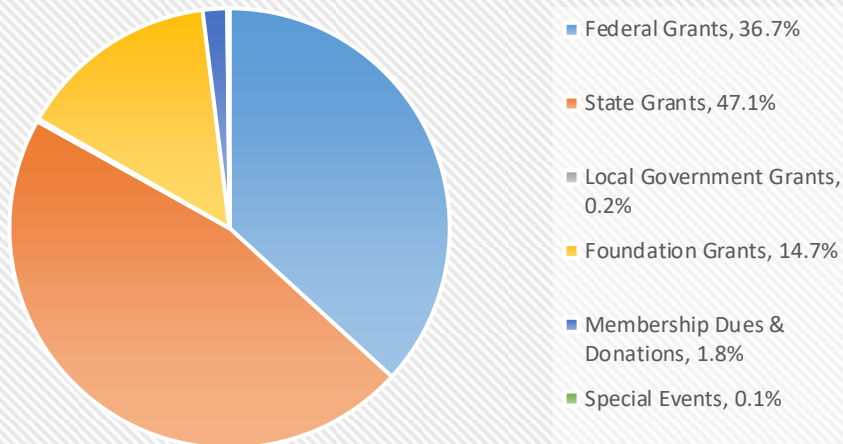
We have been working to make information about the Siuslaw, and the watershed stewardship and restoration work happening here, more accessible. Two years ago we updated our website, last year we produced a series of short films highlighting the Siuslaw, and this year we partnered with the talented folks at Ecotrust to produce two web-based story maps. These interactive experiences describe historic and present-day circumstances in the Siuslaw, and our future restoration plans, with a focus on coho habitat. Visit our website to check them out, and please share them with anyone who is curious about life in the Siuslaw!



2020 Financial Report



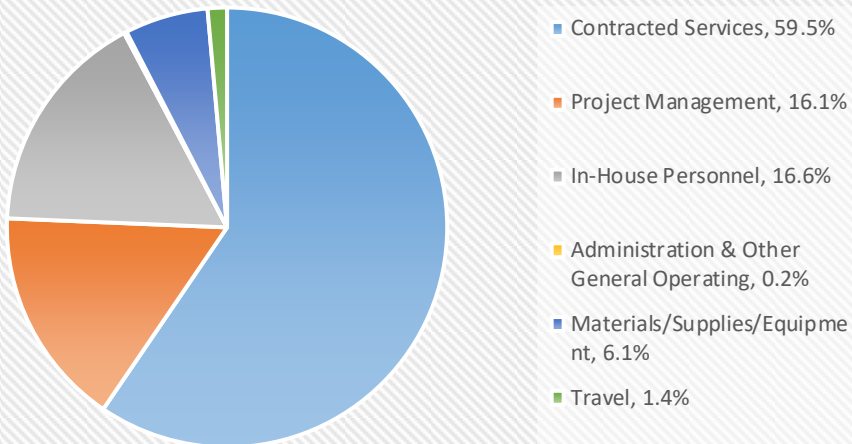
2020 Income Sources



REVENUES

Federal grants	\$349,152
State grants	\$495,477
Local government	\$2,086
Foundation grants	\$158,098
Membership dues & donations	\$19,176
Special events	\$798
Interest	\$1,032
TOTAL	\$1,074,126

2020 Expenses



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Project management	\$169,114
InHouse Personnel	\$173,841
Contracted Services	\$623,286
Travel	\$14,854
Materials/Supplies/Equip	\$64,170
Administration & other	\$2,088
general operating	
TOTAL	\$1,047,353

The Siuslaw Watershed Council Mission Statement

The SWC supports sound economic, social, and environmental uses of natural and human resources in the Siuslaw River Basin. The Council encourages cooperation among public and private entities to promote awareness and understanding of watershed functions by adopting and implementing a total watershed approach to natural resource management and production.

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