



2022 ANNUAL REPORT

The Siuslaw Watershed Council (SWC) is excited to report that we secured more than \$740,000 in grant funds in 2022 to support restoration projects, outreach activities, our annual Watershed Camp program, Native Plant Distribution, habitat and water quality monitoring, and partnership building initiatives. Furthermore, throughout 2022 we spent more than \$438,000 on contracted services, meaning we paid contractors, with a preference for local contractors, almost a half million dollars to implement restoration projects or assist in design or engineering projects, support our camp program, and many more stewardship 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. Contractors that we hire often purchase local goods and services, stay at a local hotel, eat at local restaurants, and repair equipment and purchase parts and goods in our local stores.

With the support from our watershed council members and grantors, 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.

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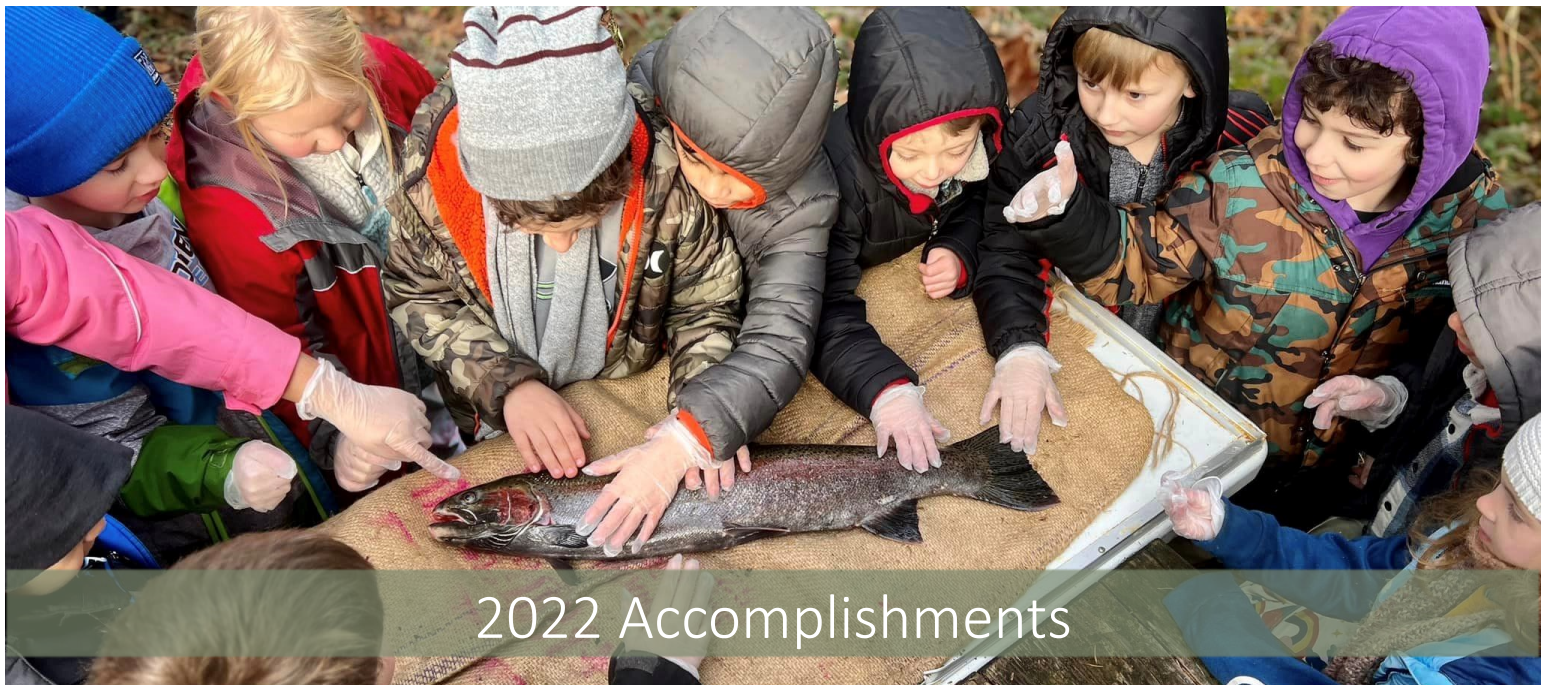
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2022 Accomplishments

- More than **9,500 plants** were distributed through our Native Plant Distribution program.
- Hosted 11 community activities with a cumulative 184 participants (including 24 youth)
- Held **18 field trips** engaging **306 local students** and **88 educators**, providing watershed stewardship education.
- **Week-long Watershed Camp** with 50 youth participants
- Collected native seeds and harvested and processed **more than 4,500 willow cuttings**.
- Contributed to the seasonal installation and monitoring of a fish weir 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.
- **Surveyed 5,048 stream meters** using Aquatic Inventory (AQI) protocol to assess aquatic habitat.
- Three aquatic organism passage projects were developed and/or designed in NF Indian Creek, Sniffer Creek, and Swartz Creek.
- Partnered with CTCLUSI and MRT to complete the 90% final design and initiate permitting on the Waite Ranch Tidal Wetland Restoration Project, a 200+ acre tidal wetland restoration project in the Siuslaw estuary slated for restoration in 2023.
- 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.

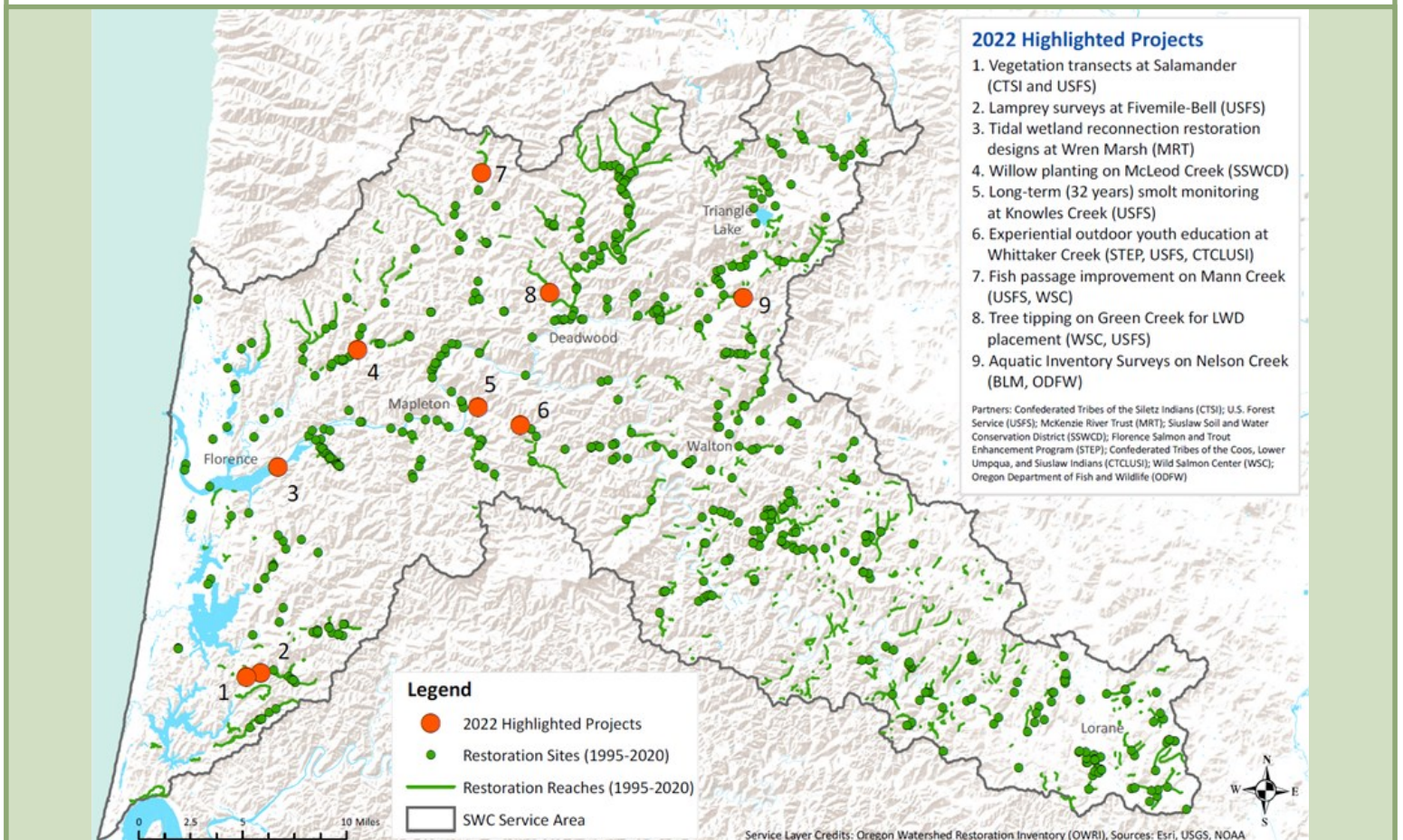


2022 Year-in-Review...

This year, the SWC continued to work with local partners to implement restoration and environmental programming across the watershed. In February, we distributed more than 9,500 plants to local community members through our Native Plant Distribution (NPD) program. Our goal with NPD is for community members to collectively steward native riparian vegetation across all reaches of the watershed. In Fall 2022, in collaboration with project partners and contractors, we replaced defunct culverts and thereby expanded accessible native fish habitat. Our team is also managing restoration designs on multiple wetland reconnection projects in the estuary and fish passage projects in the headwaters. In June, we held our first Watershed Camp since 2019 and hosted 50 children in a weeklong exploration of the local flora and fauna. Excluding the pandemic, the SWC Watershed Camp has occurred every year since 2004. More and more, we are starting to hear stories of Watershed Camp alumni who have gone on to contribute to watershed stewardship in their adult lives. This, and the extraordinary success of camp in 2022, inspired us to expand our Watershed Camp in 2023!

In July 2022, the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB) awarded the Siuslaw Coho Partnership the Focused Investment Partnership (FIP), a **six-year, \$12-million investment in restoration in the Siuslaw**. Our FIP initiative is directed towards the OWEB ecological priority of Coho habitat and populations along the coast and is based on our Partnership's Strategic Action Plan for Coho Recovery. The SWC and our local partners have an exciting slate of project design and implementation in 2023, backed by a long history (a quarter century to be exact!) of collaboration, community involvement, and project implementation!

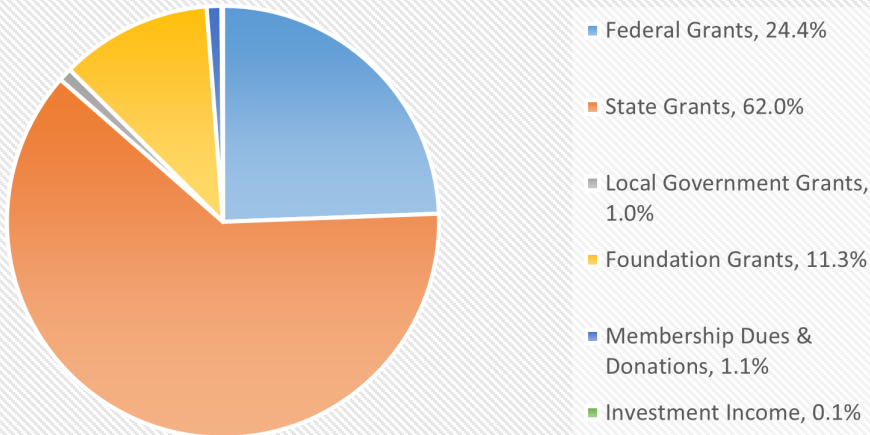
The SWC celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2022. Formalized as a non-profit organization in 1997, the SWC has been committed to holistic watershed restoration and stewardship for a quarter of a century. Spawned by a small group of dedicated watershed conservation practitioners and native fish enthusiasts, many of whom remain pivotal collaborators, the SWC has grown into a network of over 800 people! Together, we have completed innumerable projects encompassing a diverse array of habitat restoration strategies, from in-stream large wood placement to tidal wetland reconnection to culvert replacement to environmental education. Our programs and practices are built to adapt to evolving science, and over the years we have implemented both tried-and-true as well as cutting-edge restoration strategies with lasting results. **The map below depicts the breadth of watershed restoration projects in the Siuslaw and Coastal Lakes basins over the last 25 years.**



2022 Financial Report



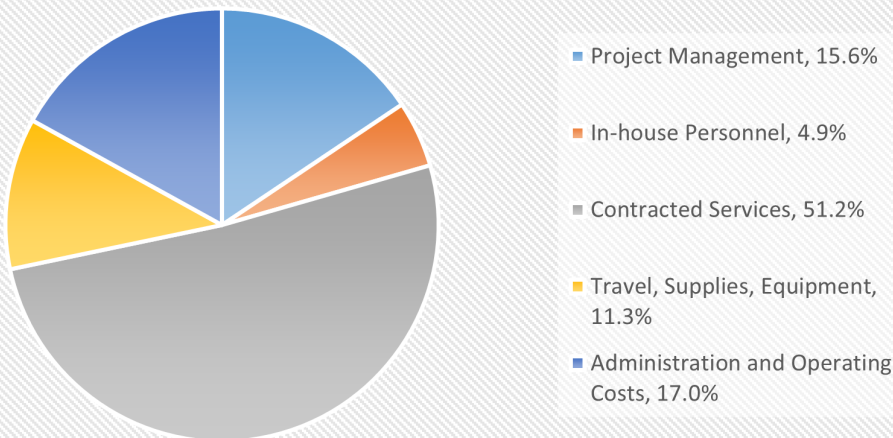
2022 Income Sources



REVENUES

Federal grants	\$180,896
State grants	\$459,945
Local government grants	\$7,387
Foundation grants	\$84,074
Membership dues & donations	\$8,224
Investment income	\$771
TOTAL	\$741,297

2022 Expenses



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Project management	\$133,178
In-house personnel	\$42,375
Contracted services	\$438,535
Travel/supplies/equip.	\$96,896
Administration & other general operating	\$145,501
TOTAL	\$857,065

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.

Thank you! To the funders, sponsors, contractors and partners who work to restore and steward the Siuslaw Watershed for future generations.

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Special gratitude to our donors and sponsors who helped the SWC acquire our truck and trailer this year. For the first time ever, the SWC's restoration crew has a vehicle to transport plants and materials to remote, rugged parts of the watershed. Thank you to the Roundhouse Foundation, Spirit Mountain Community Fund, Siletz Tribal Community Charitable Foundation, Reser Family Foundation, and a couple private donors.

