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2025 YCC Season Has Begun!

Please join us in welcoming this year's
CFWWC Youth Conservation Crew members!



Just getting to this point in the season is a big accomplishment, both for us and
for the crew members.

After getting through initial recruitment, applications, interviews, hiring, and
onboarding, this is the first week our crew has been out in the field.

They're digging into this very important work, and starting to cut through the weeds to get to what's important.

We want to congratulate them on getting this far, and hope you will join us in wishing them well on the journey they're undertaking. We'll have lots more to say about the achievements of this group of extraordinary young individuals as the season progresses.

CFWWC YCC Bus Makeover is Complete



We're really excited about how our bus has turned out!

If you recall last month's newsletter, we were super close to putting our bus rebranding project into action.

Several years back, Northwest Youth Corps generously gifted 2 buses from their retired fleet to CFWWC.

These buses have worked really hard for a quarter of a century, so in addition to a well deserved tune up, Vikki (old Number 219) had received a rather glamorous glow up.



Our buses are a valuable resource for our organization, providing our summer youth crew with transport from our downtown Cottage Grove office to work sites throughout the Coast Fork Willamette watershed and further afield.

We'd like to extend our appreciation to DJ and the team at



Dirt Cheap Copies in Cottage Grove for printing our big ol' sticker order. Thank you for always coming through – they look great!



JULY EVENTS

Science On Tap is Back July 22nd with Tom Titus

Science on Tap is back on Tuesday, July 22nd with a fascinating discussion from biologist and author, [Tom Titus](#).

A prolific writer and speaker, Tom says his writing "explores the messy interface of human experience and our increasingly wounded world. I'm a biologist and have authored or coauthored over thirty scientific papers. I'm deeply grateful for all that humankind has learned over the millennia. Yet to become alive, science needs beautiful stories. We need love songs everyone can sing, melodies that spring from deep aquifers of wisdom into the bright light of day, becoming joyful sunlit ripples running over bright stones, pouring into thoughtful pools sheltering small dark trout, streams that meander across our external and internal landscapes, weaving us into the land from which we came and where we belong."

SCIENCE ON TAP!

**BREATHLESS:
CELEBRATING
SALAMANDERS AND THEIR
SMALL WILD SPACES**

With biologist and author, Tom Titus

PALINDROME
*Grateful Reflections
from the
Home Ground*

**4th TUESDAY OF
EVERY MONTH
5PM – 7PM**

**AXE & FIDDLE PUBLIC
HOUSE – 657 E Main St,
Cottage Grove**

**FREE ENTRY – 10% of
food & drink sales to
benefit the CFWWC!**

**JULY 22
5–7 PM**

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We host these family-friendly events on the fourth Tuesday of each month from 5-7pm at the Axe & Fiddle, 657 E. Main St. in Cottage Grove.

Events begin with informal socializing, trivia, and updates about the watershed and watershed council. The Science on Tap presentation begins at 6pm.

The event is free to the public, with a \$5 donation suggested.

ALSO:

Just a reminder that thanks to the generous efforts of the talented Jim Lockhart, you can revisit past presentations or catch up if you weren't able to make it in person.

Our Science on Tap event presentations available to watch over on our [You Tube page](#).

July is Membership Month Too!



Firstly, thank you so much who stopped by in June to renew your memberships! We know we say it a lot, but it's true- we can't do this without you.

For those of you who've been on the fence about becoming a member, this is your sign to take action!

We've just revamped our membership portal so, if you're not sure if you've renewed your membership for 2025, feel free to stop by the watershed office or give us a quick call and we'll take care of it for you.

Memberships are also a great gift for that hard-to-shop-for person in you're life who already has it all.

But wait, there's more!

This month, Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Membership gives you more than just a warm, fuzzy feeling – though that's definitely great too. New members or folks renewing in June can also stop by for a **Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council mug**, featuring our classic mountain logo, and as well as a **new logo sticker** featuring our watershed mascots – the vesper sparrow, brook lamprey, wester pond turtle, camas, oak, and Fender's blue butterfly.

NEWS & UPDATES

FIRE SEASON IS HERE!

More Tips & Resources For a Safe and Fun Summer

As of July 1, all Oregon Department of Forestry districts

are now in fire season.

Oregon BLM announces fire restrictions that take effect on July 3

Here are some helpful links to help you stay informed of current fire danger levels and restrictions in place across our state.



Public Fire Restrictions

Fire Danger Map

Keep Oregon Green

Firewise Oregon

Oregon Department of Forestry.

Creswell Butte Update

If you've happened to look west as you've driven past Creswell along I-5 lately, you may have noticed some activity taking place on Creswell Butte.

Following years of planning, Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council began this oak prairie restoration project about two years ago, contracting with MBL Timber Services to undertake fuels and canopy reduction on this unique 72 acre parcel just south of Creswell city limits.



The Hale Oak

It's always fascinating to witness the transformation of landscapes as a restoration progresses. Underneath the massive amount of blackberry and scotch broom that blanketed the hillside we found a veritable boulder field. It's our hope that in years to come the boulder piles will provide welcome and needed habitat for a variety of native reptiles including snakes, lizards, and skinks.



One of many large piles of rocks and boulders

With time, we know we will see the reemergence of many native plants and flowers along the slope of the butte. We've also undertaken the seeding of native grasses and forbs toward the bottom of the hill where the earliest clearing was completed.



Brodiaea coroaria



Madia elegans

While not currently open to the public, it is the wish of the private owner that this land will eventually pass to a public entity and be made accessible.

PARTNERS CORNER

Job Postings

The Long Tom Watershed Council is currently accepting applications for the following position:

Traditional Ecological Inquiry Program (TEIP) Program Manager



Desired Start Date: Flexible, July – early August, 2025

Status: Exempt, Full-time (40 hours per week but will consider 32–36 hours per week at a prorated salary)

Reports To: LTWC Executive Director and TEIP Program Director

Compensation: \$65,000–\$75,000 starting salary (depending on experience) + benefits:

Health insurance (LTWC currently pays 75% of employee premium + 20% of dependents paid)

401(k) contribution – 8% of salary plus optional employee contribution

10 paid holidays plus 15 days of Paid Time Off (PTO) to start (sick and vacation days are lumped together as PTO)

Continuing education and training are financially supported in alignment with organizational priorities

\$40/month stipend for use of personal cell phone

To Apply:

- Please submit your application materials via email to apply@longtom.org.
- Please email questions about the position or hiring process to apply@longtom.org.

All emails – both application submittals and questions regarding the position
– must have “TEIP Program Manager”
in the subject line.

[MORE INFORMATION HERE](#)

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