



OREGON WILD



Oregon Wild

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

EPIC WILD & SCENIC RIVERS

PROPOSAL MAP INSIDE





What is there to say about the year 2020? Along with everyone else who shares this planet, the team at Oregon Wild faced adversity and uncertainty unlike anything we have ever experienced. As an organization, we persevered through the final year of the Trump Administration. We built the foundation for a once-in-a-generation scale campaign to protect wild rivers and forests. And, we had our most successful fundraising year in the organization's history.

We are incredibly grateful to the thousands of Oregonians (and Oregonians at heart) who waded through their own pandemic year chaos to donate time, energy, passion, and money to power our conservation work in fiscal year 2019-2020.

This year we deepened our partnerships aimed at making the outdoors and the conservation movement more diverse, inclusive, and equitable. Part of this work included spearheading the publication of our Smokescreen report that exposed how Timber Unity has helped mainstream conspiracy theories, militia groups, and white supremacists into Oregon politics.

Our work to modernize the weakest private lands logging laws in the West – nearly a decade in the making – reached a critical milestone of success this year with the state's leading conservation organizations and largest logging corporations signing a breakthrough agreement on upgrades to no-cut and no-spray buffers along streams. Under this agreement, signatories will negotiate a conservation plan that will dramatically increase protections for aquatic ecosystems under the Oregon Forest Practices Act.

At the request of Senator Ron Wyden, we helped deliver 15,000 river nominations to set the stage for an unprecedented campaign to protect thousands of miles of Wild & Scenic Rivers across the state (see the fold-out map section for a big news update!).

Oregon Wild has always been an organization that uses every tool in the tool box – from grassroots education to litigation. During this pandemic, we've added more digital organizing and education tools to our repertoire. We are thrilled to see thousands of you joining our weekly webcasts.

If this year of social separation has taught us anything, it is that the Oregon Wild community won't let anything stop us from defending and protecting this state we love. Thanks for being with us through thick and thin.

For the wild,

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Executive Director

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2019-2020 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

PROTECTING SPECIAL PLACES

- Led the grassroots coalition that helped garner 15,000 nominations to Senator Wyden for his Wild & Scenic Rivers campaign, including a wildly successful showing of support at Wyden town halls. We now stand primed for an unprecedented Wild & Scenic Rivers bill in the coming Congress.



Chandra LeGue

- Led the coalition to increase protections for Mount Hood and the Columbia River Gorge closer to introduction of legislation that will set a new vision for conservation and recreation.
- Launched an exciting and timely new Forest Climate Program to help advance smart climate policy at the federal and state level and defend carbon-storing old-growth forests.
- Launched a series of webcasts on topics ranging from sea otters to racism in the outdoors and hosted nearly 30 presentations with over 10,000 signups.
- Released the Smokescreen report to expose the alarming ties between the pro-logging, industry-funded group Timber

Unity and factions of far-right extremism, including white supremacists, Proud Boys, and QAnon conspiracy theorists.

- Continued our court fight with allies to keep Cascade Siskiyou National Monument protections in place.

Defending and Restoring Oregon's Forests & Waters

- After years of pressure, we struck an historic agreement to limit aerial pesticide spray in private forests and chart the path for a huge leap forward in protections for rivers and wildlife in the Oregon Forest Practices Act.
- With allies, emerged victorious in two lawsuits:
- Halting the Thurston Hills Project near Springfield and helping to protect a BLM recreation area from logging and reduce fire hazard to local residents.
- Stopping the Crystal Clear timber sale on Mount Hood and keeping the Forest Service from logging older forests under the guise of restoration.
- Launched a new coalition to defend big trees and wildlife in eastern Oregon from Trump administration efforts to dismantle the two-decade old "eastside screens" protections.
- Responded to the historic 2020 fire season, and ensuing efforts from the logging industry to cynically attempt to increase logging, by successfully shifting the media narrative around wildfire and telling the story of the fires through mapping, presentations, and digital media.
- Worked with investigative reporters to help expose the misleading and illegal propaganda efforts of the Oregon Forest Resources Institute leading to blockbuster

reporting that could have the legislature shut them down in 2021.

- Continued to be a vigilant watchdog for our public lands by monitoring, submitting formal comments on, and/or objecting to more than 150 timber sales and other proposed projects, including:
- Reducing the size and negative impacts of an industrial logging sale in the Lostine Wild & Scenic River corridor.
- Getting BLM to drop 178 acres of logging in suitable owl habitat in the Beaty Ryder Project and 103 acres in the Stag Timber Sale.

Helping Native Species Thrive

- Helped create and co-coordinate the Oregon Wildlife Coalition – a group of nine organizations in Oregon working together to advocate for better wildlife conservation policies.

- Stood up for gray wolves by joining a lawsuit to stop a Trump Administration plan to remove their Endangered Species protections.
- Worked with partners to advance legislation in the Oregon Legislature to end coyote killing contests throughout the state (the House passed the bill before the Senate walked out before a vote).
- Led the “Stop Extinction Challenge” in Oregon, a national lobby day for Congress about wildlife conservation policy.
- Continued to monitor a network of wildlife cameras throughout the state to document wildlife – in part to support an OSU study – and other public lands activity.
- Wrote, produced, and released a special podcast, “Lost Sea Otters of Oregon” about the extermination and hoped-for reintroduction of this native species to Oregon coastal waters.
- Continued wildlife monitoring program and expanded it across the state.



FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 637,348
Long Term Investments	1,160,158
Inventory	9,437
Prepaid Expenses & Other Assets	32,365
Property and Equipment	256,327
<i>Total assets</i>	\$2,095,635

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$ 12,081
Deposits & Refundable Advance	161,492
Accrued Payroll & Related Expenses	172,406
<i>Total liabilities</i>	\$ 345,979

NET ASSETS

Without Donor Restrictions	
Special Projects and Reserve Fund	\$ 337,440
Board-Designated Endowment	820,282
Available for Operations	589,449
<i>Total Assets without Restrictions</i>	\$1,747,221
With Donor Restrictions	
Permanently Restricted - Endowment	2,435
<i>Total Assets with Restrictions</i>	\$ 2,435
<i>Total net assets</i>	\$1,749,656

TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS **\$2,095,635**



FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

REVENUE

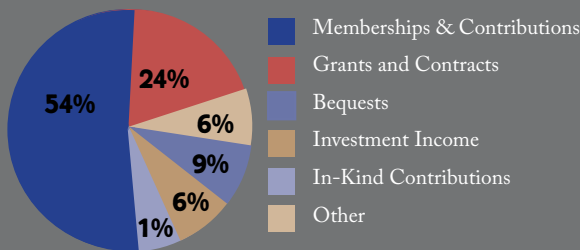
Contributions & Memberships	\$ 948,153
Grants & Contracts	429,929
Bequests	155,087
In-kind Contributions	25,945
Investment Income	99,238
Miscellaneous	109,472
<i>Total revenue</i>	\$1,767,824

EXPENSES

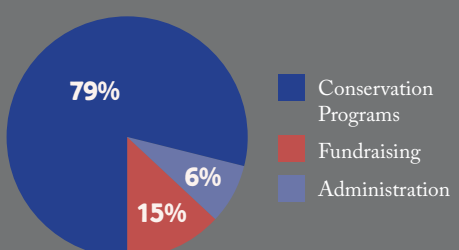
Conservation Programs	
Protecting Special Places	\$ 380,204
Defending and Restoring Oregon's Forest & Waters	505,450
Helping Native Species Thrive	137,904
Administration	68,992
Fundraising	204,704
<i>Total expenses</i>	\$1,297,254

FY2020 REVENUE AND EXPENSES

REVENUE



EXPENSES



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THE PROPOSED OREGON RIVER DEMOCRACY ACT

AN HISTORIC OPPORTUNITY FOR OREGON'S RIVERS AND WILDLANDS

For the past two years, Oregon Wild has been working towards a massive expansion of river protections in the state. In early February, that effort took a huge step forward when Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley introduced the River Democracy Act. This bold, visionary effort calls for Wild & Scenic River protections for nearly 4,700 miles of Oregon's waterways -- including sections of the upper Deschutes, Forks of the Clackamas and Illinois Rivers, the Grande Ronde, and some of the state's most important tributaries.

Wild & Scenic designation not only protects against dams - it also has significant benefits for protecting wildlife habitat and migration corridors, world-class recreation opportunities, and the riverside forests that store vast amounts of carbon in the fight against climate change.

The continued progress on this once-in-a-generation effort - made possible by Oregon Wild supporters - could result in one of the largest (if not the largest) conservation successes in Oregon history, while securing important safeguards in basins/watersheds all across the state, including:

- Alvord
- Applegate
- Catlow Valley
- Clackamas
- Columbia
- Crooked River
- Deschutes
- Grande Ronde
- Hood River
- Illinois
- John Day
- Klamath
- Malheur Lake
- Malheur River
- McKenzie
- Mollala
- Oregon Coast
- Oregon Coastal
- Oregon Desert Inland Lakes Basins
- Owyhee
- Powder and Burnt
- Quinn River and Coyote Lake Basins
- Rogue
- Sandy
- Santiam
- Smith River
- Snake
- Southern Oregon Coastal
- Umatilla
- Umpqua
- Upper Willamette
- Walla Walla
- Warner Lakes

