



# ANNUAL REPORT: 2015

Working with willing landowners to improve water quality and fish habitat throughout the Umpqua Basin

Dear Friends, Partners and Supporters,

At the Partnership for the Umpqua Rivers we are dedicated to improving and restoring and improving fish habitat and water quality throughout the Umpqua Basin. This last year was filled with several exciting events and projects that make the kind of work we do so special. Although much of our fieldwork was hampered by the extreme fire danger conditions in the woods, our staff and partners worked together to creatively complete several of our schedule 2015 projects. As we look forward to 2016 and beyond, we are excited for what the future holds. The Staff and our partners continue to forge ahead with several large scale, multi-year restoration projects, our Monitoring Program is steadfastly working collaboratively to monitor the waters of the Umpqua and our Education & Outreach Program will increasingly become an active part of our community.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you out in the Umpqua this coming year.

Walt Gayner Board President

Eric Riley
Executive Director

## **Mission Statement**

Through collaboration with diverse participants, the Partnership for the Umpqua Rivers maintains and improves water quality & fish populations from source to sea in the streams of the Umpqua.

We educate people about the value of healthy streams; we work with willing landowners to improve stream conditions; we monitor the health of the streams and their fish populations.

Through these actions the Partnership contributes to the ecological and economic well-being of the basin.

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## Annual Accomplishments & Highlights



Tenmile Creek Instream
Restoration and Livestock Bridge
Project brought a private
landowner and PUR together to
complete this small but important
project. This is the second project
in Tenmile Creek and developed
through word of mouth. Currently
PUR is looking a two additional
potential restoration projects in
Tenmile Creek.

The 2015 PUR Annual was held at Henry Estate Winery in Umpqua, OR. The event was held in the fermentation shed. After a short business meeting, the Staff, Board and many friends enjoyed finger foods and sample Henry's tasty "grape juice". We were able to recognize Debbie Thornton's retirement and Terry Burleson's 10 year anniversary with PUR. Much fun was had by all.





Camp Creek Instream Restoration Project Phase III was completed. This project placed 51 logs and over 2400 boulders across 4 miles of mainstem Camp Creek. This project was successful in establishing new spawning, summer rearing and winter refuge salmon habitat in the watershed. A forth and final phase of the project is currently under development.

# Annual Accomplishments & Highlights (cont.)

In 2015 PUR worked with new partners to begin developing a 5<sup>th</sup> Field scale watershed restoration action plan. This efforts brings together PUR, Medford District BLM, The Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, Weyerhaeuser, Roseburg Resources Co. and ODFW in the development of this holistic watershed restoration effort.





In 2015 PUR continued its Fish Eggs to Fry Program in 10 classrooms in Douglas Co. Part of a larger ODFW program, Fish Eggs to Fry, introduces 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students to the salmon lifecycle and habitat requirements by bringing eggs into the classroom to be raised by the students in an aquarium and then released.

The Rice Creek Restoration and Effectiveness project began this year with the development and initiation of pre-project monitoring in the future restoration reach. This will look at how effective restoration practices improve fish habitat and water quality in low lying, high intrinsic potential agricultural lands.



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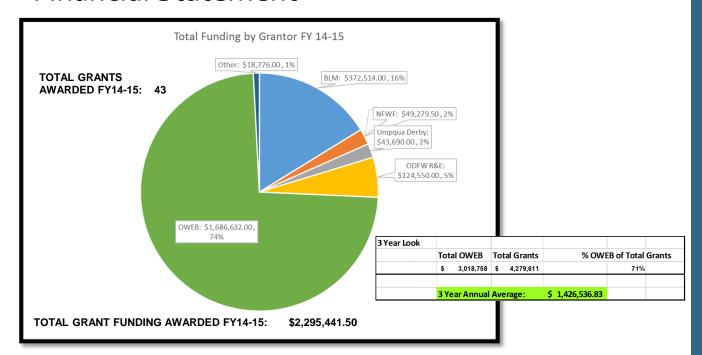
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## Financial Statement



## **Local Economic Boost**

Table showing grant funds direct contribution to the local economy.

Expense Report		Jul '14 - Jun 15
	Implementation	624,611.09
	Labor	19,922.02
	Total CONTRACTED SERVICES	644,533.11
	PERSONNEL	
	Wages	412,628.41
	SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	309,324.00
Total Expense		1,366,485.52



## **List Partners/Funders**

Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

Roseburg District BLM

Coos Bay District BLM

Medford BLM District

Roseburg Resources Co.

Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife

The Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians

Umpqua Fishery Enhancement Derby

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The Partnership for the Umpqua Rivers (PUR) is a 501(c)(3) organization based in Roseburg, Oregon that has been dedicated to improving the ecological and economic well-being of Douglas County through stream restoration since 1992.





PUR and Partners awarded the American Fisheries Society 2015 Western Division Award of Excellence in Riparian Management

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Large log being placed to improve salmonid habitat.