

## Conservation & Restoration – 2016 Summary Report

The majority of our conservation and restoration funding goes out to various partners, most often watershed councils, who use the funds that they receive from us and from others as matching funds to secure grant money. For 2016, club contributed the following to these projects:

- **Oregon Stewardship** - \$3,000 for habitat restoration along Bear Creek
- **Seven Basins Watershed Council** - \$1,000 for restoration on Evans Creek
- **Applegate Partnership & Watershed Council** - \$2,000 for seedlings at Thompson Creek
- **Lower Rogue Watershed Council** - \$1,500 for wetlands habitat restoration
- **Rogue River Watershed Council** - \$4,000 for habitat restoration on Sugar Pine Creek
- **Lomakatsi** - \$1,000 for restoration and education at the Ashland Creek Ponds

**Total Cash Contributions**

**\$12,500**

Club member's volunteer work on stream restoration and fisheries enhancement projects included:

- Sand Creek upstream passage project 4 people, 22 hours
- Riparian planting, Humbug Creek 9 people, 43 hours
- Riparian planting, Whetstone Creek 15 people, 84 hours
- Willow shoots planting, Jones Creek, 6 people, 20 hours
- Riparian planting, Iron Creek 10 people, 54 hours
- Riparian planting, Thompson Creek 5 people, 53 hours
- Riparian planting, Daisy Creek 6 people, 20 hours
- Sand Creek smolts acclimation project and monitoring 14 people, 132 hours
- Fish carcass tossing, three events, Elk Creek and tributaries 18 people, 108 hours
- Fish trap monitoring, Sand Creek & Galls Creek 5 people, 245 hours
- Tree watering, Blue Heron Creek 1 person, 4 hours

**Total Club Volunteer Hours: 796**

**Equivalent Cash Value: \$12,075**

**The real value of the contributions made by the Middle Rogue Steelheaders is not measured in hours or in dollars, but in what we do to make a positive change in the quality of the habitat and in enhancing the Rogue River fisheries.**

To the club members who plan and run the annual Salmon Derby and Dinner, the club members who donate their time and effort to the riparian planting and other stream restoration/enhancement projects, and the club members who individually help ODFW on STEP projects, **thank you**. All of these efforts contribute to the primary purpose of the Middle Rogue Steelheaders, which is to conserve, protect, and restore cold water fisheries and their watersheds in Southwest Oregon.

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