

Living Classroom of Restoration Science in Oregon

Wasson Creek, a 525 acre basin in the South Slough watershed of Coos County, Oregon, is poised to be one of the most important classrooms for wetland restoration science in the world. The site is located within the South Slough Reserve, almost 7,000 acres of natural area co-managed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Oregon Department of State Lands.



Restoration Science at Scale

What could be discovered if scientists had a laboratory the size of an entire watershed with decades of baseline data already collected? The answer is so promising that the Wasson Creek Restoration Project secured over \$3.5 million to move forward.

National Estuarine Research Reserve System Habitat Protection and Restoration Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Coos Basin Coho Partnership

Coquille Tribal Community Fund

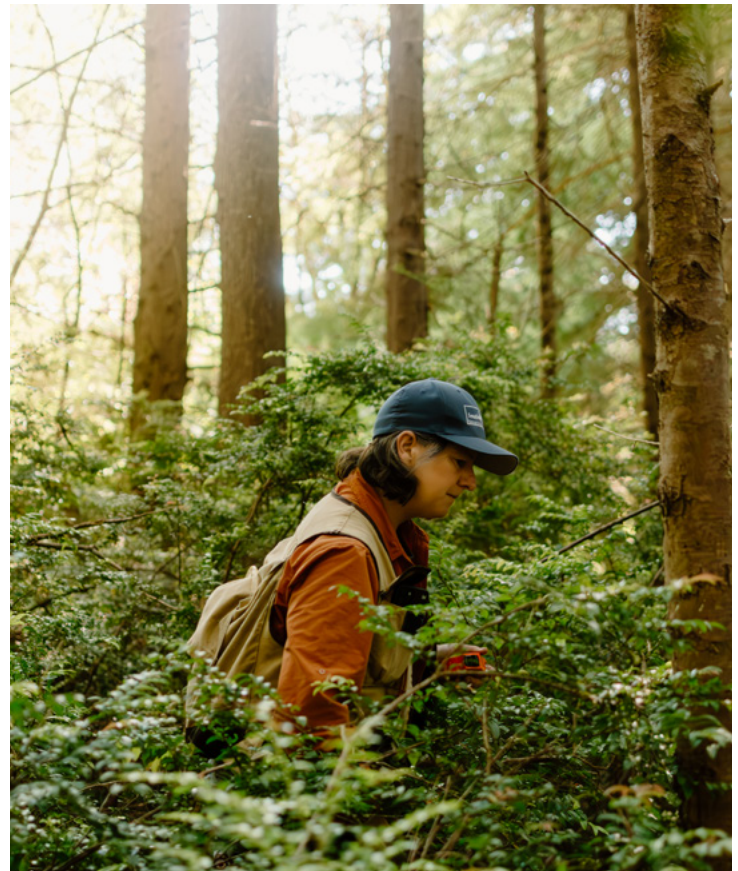
Wasson Creek Restoration Project is within the South Slough Reserve, the nation's first National Estuarine Research Reserve, established in 1974.

Decades of sharing research and creating inclusive educational programs jumpstarts this project's benefit to the country and the world.

Lifting Up Community

The Wasson Creek Restoration Project is a living demonstration of how investment in science can lift up a community. Some of the partners in this project have been intrinsically tied to this land for generations, in the case of local fisheries, or since time immemorial, such as the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians and Coquille Indian Tribe.

Dr. Alice Yeates, South Slough Reserve Stewardship Coordinator, and her technical advisory team have forged a robust foundation of partnerships to ensure benefits realized through this investment are shared with the broader community.



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