



SALMON RECOVERY THROUGH SUSTAINABLE FARMS

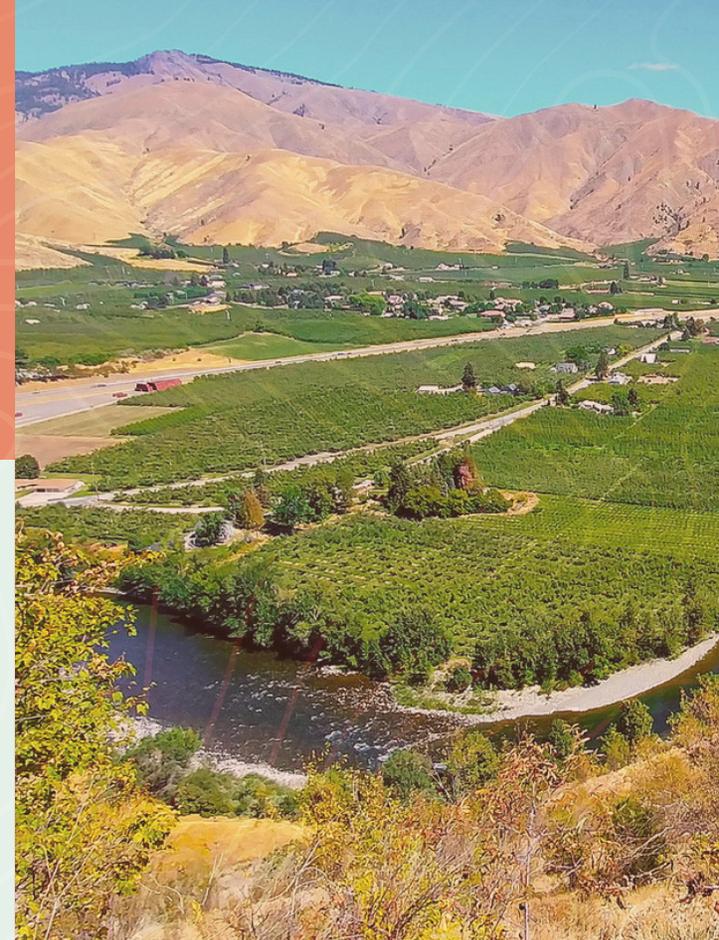
Spring Chinook, summer steelhead, and bull trout were once wide-spread throughout this region; however, dramatic declines over recent decades have led to these species being listed as endangered.

Not only are they important to humans' economic and cultural interests, but they are important indicators for the ecological health of our rivers. Restoring our rivers protects our water supply, and with it, farming and fish can flourish in our valley.

SOLUTIONS FOR FISH-FRIENDLY FARMING

Modern methods for promoting river health, fish habitat, and productive agriculture:

- Prioritize and develop livestock water sources away from riparian, wetland, and other vulnerable areas.
- Replace outdated irrigation infrastructure with more efficient options that save water and reduce soil and nutrient inputs into our waterways.
- Avoid spraying pesticides and chemicals that could be toxic near water sources. Be aware of toxic substance runoff.
- Maintain vegetative buffers around waterways, these plants act as natural filters for our streams and help to prevent soil erosion.
- Replace outdated culverts and manage your roads to reduce sediment.



HEALTHY STREAMS SUPPORT HAPPY FARMS

Learn about programs that promote sustainable agriculture and recover salmon!

WIN-WIN-WIN PROGRAMS

We want to partner with you! Several federal and local programs are available to help your farm, your bottom line, and local ecosystems.

1 Salmon-Safe Certification

Cascadia Conservation District is now providing free assistance to farmers in Chelan County to become Salmon-Safe certified.

The Salmon-Safe certification recognizes farms that use water efficiently, practice integrated pest management, and protect stream habitat.

If you have a farm, orchard, vineyard, or cider operation and are interested in becoming Salmon-Safe certified, please contact us today!

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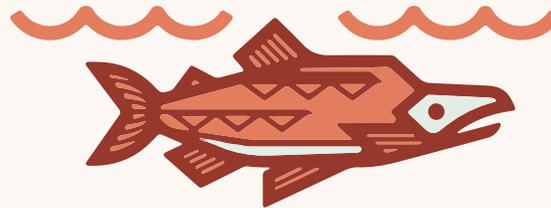
2 Beaver Restoration Program

Our local beavers are crucial in creating the ideal salmonid habitat.

Beaver ponds provide protection from predators and sustain water supplies during dry summer months. Riparian vegetation and bird habitat are also improved by the increased water storage in beaver ponds.

Beaver bothering your property?

The beaver project will provide a free site assessment to help determine the best path forward for both you and the beavers of our valley. Including relocation to public lands, if necessary.



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3 Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP)

Do you manage a farm with outdated irrigation infrastructure? Or do you own agricultural land alongside a stream with an eroding bank?

You may be eligible for a VSP grant. These grants help with both financial and technical assistance to upgrade your irrigation systems and/or provide streambank protection.

» Projects up to \$5,000 are eligible for 100% funding. Projects over \$5,000 are still eligible, but may require cost-share depending on the full project price.

Why so Easy? We want to help you upgrade your systems because:

- It makes agriculture more sustainable
- It saves you time and money \$\$\$
- It conserves soil and water and therefore helps the salmon's sensitive ecosystem

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