

# Education and Outreach Report Highlights – April 2023 TMDL and Stormwater Meetings

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## *Stream Smart (TMDL and Stormwater)*

- Quarterly meeting held on March 15<sup>th</sup> (*Agenda summary below*)
- Discussion Items
  - *Activities Update*
    - *Web updates/contractor updates*
      - *Pledge map online (Beta Testing) –Ultimate maps*
    - *Adopt-A-Greenway*
      - *Crater High Intern – Pine Planting and Activity Plan for the Section*
        - *Plan was completed*
      - *Worldwide Walk for Water – March 18<sup>th</sup> event*
    - *Networking and Expansion*
      - *Blog posts –BCRI and Stream Smart*
      - *Dutch Bros and Grants Pass*
      - *Salmon Watch – North Mountain Park*
      - *Bear Creek Clean up – Unhoused Community*
      - *Bike Ride – BCRI Stakeholder Working Group*
      - *CWMA Partnership- Rogue Clean-up*
    - *Articles and Press*
      - *In conjunction with events*
      - *Blogs on Stream Smart and BCRI*
        - *Bear Creek Greenway Guide*
        - *Restoration*
        - *Collaboration (BCRI)*
        - *Collaboration – Jones Creek Restoration*
    - *New Items*
      - *Funding*
        - *Bottle drop volunteer account*
        - *SWCD Salmon Watch Funding MOU (in Development)*
        - *Ashland Co-Op Donation Program*
      - *Adopt A River – Rogue River*
      - *Banners, Stickers*
      - *High visibility vests – Rogue Clean-up*
      - *T-shirts*
  - *Spring 2023 Events*
    - *Events*
      - *Earth Day*
        - *At the Farm – Ashland (April 21<sup>st</sup>)*
        - *RCC Redwood Campus (April 21<sup>st</sup> – Rogue River Clean-up)*
      - *Clean-ups (April and May)*

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- *Bear Creek – April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023*
  - *Rogue – May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023*
- *Volunteer Plantings/Weed Pulls*
  - *1/20/2023 – Let's Pull Together! At Gilbert Creek with Dutch Brothers*
  - *1/28/23 – Willow staking at North Ridge Terrace*
  - *2/25/23 – Maintenance and Planting at Blue Heron Park with Phoenix High School*
  - *3/17/23 - Lone Pine Creek Mouth Staking*
  - *3/17/23 – Crater High School Planting*
  - *CCHS Pollinator Garden – In development*
- *Worldwide Walk for Water*
  - *March 18<sup>th</sup> Clean-up and Walk (15 volunteers, 20 bags of trash)*
- *Envirothon (April 3<sup>rd</sup>)*
  - *55 students*
  - *Information presented to students on volunteer events, Salmon Watch, and other program information.*
- *Web Visitations - 528*
  - *January- 143*
  - *February – 139*
  - *March – 246*
- *Other*

## **NPDES Phase II**

- EPSC Brochure
  - Final edits under discussion. Waiting for a picture.
- Brochure Distribution ongoing
  - Event driven, front counters., libraries
- Tracking of implementation activities using survey 1-2-3
  - Survey for features
  - Activities map (TMDL and Phase II)
- Mapping activities (general)
- Attended the Clean Rivers Coalition Meeting – January 19th
- Quarterly Reports (invoice reports)
- Updates of websites – Stormwater 101
- Budgeting for next year.

## **TMDL**

- Monitoring
  - Monthly TMDL runs

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- Storm drains (3 times per year)
  - Alameda Fire Monitoring
  - White City Patrols (MWC)
- Bear Creek Restoration Initiative (BCRI) – Restoration Activities
  - General Coordination and support
  - Monthly AC Meeting (first Wednesday)
  - Bear Creek Natural Resources Plan completed (EPA Technical Assistance Grant)
  - Expanding concepts to other areas (e.g., Dean Creek)
  - Working groups – restoration, pollinators, stakeholder engagement
- Volunteer Activities/Restoration
  - Jones Creek, Maintstem Rogue – HOA
  - 10 plants to CCHS for pollinator garden
  - Distributed 400 pines
    - Peninger burn area – Crater Land Lab (75)
    - Jones Creek (Middle Rogue Steelheaders -10)
    - Blue Heron Park (ODFW 50)
    - BC and Rogue River (Nate’s River Adventures -40)
    - Applegate River (Provolt Recreation site -75)
- Blogs and Articles
  - Foam in Bear Creek
  - Bear Creek Greenway Guide
  - Restoration general – best time to plant
- Website updates (TMDL 101)
- Hot Spots/Calls of Concern/investigations
  - White City – “Black water”
  - OERS Reports shared

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	General Stream Smart Schedule											
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Topic												
New Years Resolutions - Make a change. Take action. Pledges. Volunteer.												
Spring - Native plants/gardening/restoration. Invasive species management.												
Activities - Earth Day, Arbor Day, Master Gardener Fair, Clean Up												
Summer - Water conservation. Water quality. Contact recreation.												
Car washing. Car wash kit.												
Return of the Salmon. Activities - Clean up, Salmon Festival, Watershed Exploration Days, Salmon Watch,												
Return of the wet weather. Stormwater/stormwater management, flooding, low impact development, etc.												
Holidays. Volunteer. Donate. Support organizations for gifts.												
Other potential items												
Leaf Collection												



The poster features a background image of a river flowing through a forested valley with a bridge in the distance. A green starburst graphic in the top left corner contains the text 'TWO EVENTS!'. The main title '31ST ANNUAL ROGUE RIVER CLEAN-UP' is prominently displayed in white and green text. Below the title, the date and time 'SATURDAY, MAY 20, 8:30AM-12:30PM' are listed. A central text box describes the event as a coordinated trash clean-up and weed-pull along the Rogue River in Josephine County. Below this, another text box promotes an after-party at Indian Mary County Park, listing activities like volunteer swag, prizes, info booths, music, lunch, snacks, water, and a raffle. Check-in and check-out details are provided, along with a registration link. At the bottom, a collage of logos from various participating organizations is shown, and a QR code is located in the bottom right corner.

**TWO EVENTS!**

**31ST ANNUAL ROGUE RIVER CLEAN-UP**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 20, 8:30AM-12:30PM**

**Join us for a coordinated trash clean-up and weed-pull event along the Rogue River in Josephine County!**

**LET'S PULL TOGETHER!**

**After-Party at Indian Mary County Park!**

**Volunteer Swag + Prizes! Info Booths! Music!**  
**Lunch, Snacks, + Water Provided! Raffle!**

**CHECK IN 8:30AM**  
**Hog Creek Parking Lot**

**CHECK OUT 12:30PM**  
**Indian Mary County Park**

**REGISTER [Stream-Smart.com/rogue-river-clean-ups](https://Stream-Smart.com/rogue-river-clean-ups)**

**Logos:** STRALISS, JACOBSON, 73, REPUBLIC SERVICES, SOLVE, STREAM SMART, ROGUE RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL, ROGUE BASIN PARTNERSHIP, JOSEPHINE COUNTY SOLID WASTE AGENCY, JOSEPHINE COUNTY PARKS, WATTS ROGUE ADVENTURES, Grants Pass Clinic, LLC, Tires LES SCHWAB, Hellgate, BEAR CREEK STEWARDS, pregnancy care center.

**QR Code:** 



# BEAR CREEK STEWARDSHIP DAY

**Volunteer!**  
Saturday  
**April 22nd**  
9am–12pm

Join an **Earth Day** stewardship event in  
Central Point, Medford, Phoenix, Talent,  
or Ashland. Find the event closest to you at  
**[bearcreekstewards.org](https://bearcreekstewards.org)**

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