

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

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## ***Stream Smart (TMDL and Stormwater Education, Volunteer Programs. Public Involvement and Participation)***

- Quarterly meeting postponed until September. Frequency of meetings will be reviewed at the next meeting
- Activity Updates
  - *Activities Update*
    - *Web updates/contractor updates*
      - *Pledge map online –Ultimate Maps. Maps reorganized into 4 subject maps.*
    - *Salmon Watch*
      - *Training in August*
      - *Classes in September-early November (tentative)*
      - *Class/event coordinated with Salmon Release*
      - *School and instructor emails sent out*
    - *Adopt-A-Greenway*
      - *Working on implementing activities outlined in plan (Crater Renaissance Academy)*
        - *Pollinator plantings and watering*
        - *Pines Planted*
        - *Maintenance and trash pick-up*
    - *Networking and Expansion*
      - *Salmon Watch – North Mountain Park training and specialized classes*
      - *CWMA Partnership- Rogue Clean-up*
      - *CWMA?*
      - *Network to Network Event*
      - *Work for the Rogue*
    - *Articles and Press*
      - *In conjunction with events*
      - *Press Releases – TMDL Monitoring June and July*
        - *NBC 5*
        - *Daily Courier*
      - *Blogs on Stream Smart and BCRI*
        - *Water Quality Press Release (June 2023)*
        - *Planting for Success (April 2023)*
    - *New Items*
      - *Funding*
        - *Bottle drop volunteer account*
        - *SWCD Salmon Watch Funding MOU with Jackson SWCD signed*

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- *Ashland Co-Op Donation Program (Change for Good) approved for 2023-2024. Month T.B.D.*
- *Adopt-A-River – Rogue River at Hog Creek County Park*
- *Banners, Stickers*
- *T-shirts – Stream Smart Volunteers – Rogue River Clean-up*
- *Spring 2023 Events*
  - *Events*
    - *Earth Day*
      - *At the Farm/Scienceworks – Ashland (April 21<sup>st</sup>) – 1200 visitors overall. 350+ at booth*
      - *RCC Redwood Campus (April 21<sup>st</sup> – focus on the Rogue River Clean-up) – 40 visitors to booth*
    - *Clean-ups (April and May)*
      - *Bear Creek – April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 – 150 volunteers. Official reports pending.*
      - *Rogue – May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – 155 volunteers (Flyer attached).*
    - *Web Visitations -*
      - *April – 241*
      - *May – 129*
      - *June- Pending*
    - *Work for the Rogue at Bear Creek Park – June 22<sup>nd</sup>*

## **NPDES Phase II**

- EPSC Brochure
  - Final edits under discussion.
- 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)
- Quarterly Reports (invoice reports)
- Updates of websites – Stormwater 101
- Budgeting for next year/updated work plans/contracts
- Beginning annual reporting.

## **TMDL**

- General TMDL
  - TMDL Reporting underway (Matrix and deliverable drafts for November)
  - Contracts updated

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- Riparian Maps
  - <https://rvcog.maps.arcgis.com/apps/instant/interactivelegend/index.html?appid=187846d86be84230b5493c9905e78b7a&locale=en>
  - <https://rvcog.maps.arcgis.com/apps/instant/nearby/index.html?appid=7b64357d6e364e9eb5fc7c5829b3f0a9&locale=en>
    - Implementation Tracking Maps
- Monitoring/Monitoring Related
  - Monthly TMDL runs
    - Phosphorus analysis (April-Oct)
  - Storm drains (3 times per year)
    - Storm drain inspection (Survey 1-2-3) in June in addition to sample collection (dry)
  - Alameda Fire Monitoring – Primary monitoring finished June 30th
    - Evaluating impacts of the fire (3 years)
    - Upstream and Downstream of the fire
    - 3 storm drains (2 impacted by the fire and one reference)
    - Field work mostly completed. Data analysis ongoing and reporting. Draft report anticipated in Spring 2024.
  - White City Patrols (MWC)
    - Looking for system anomalies (black water)
- Bear Creek Restoration Initiative (BCRI) – Restoration Activities
  - General Coordination and support
  - Drafted maps on BCRI activity
    - Restoration
    - Invasive Species work (completed, ongoing, planned)
    - General Riparian Conditions (Future)
    - Priorities and other general information
  - Monthly AC Meeting (first Wednesday)
  - Bear Creek Natural Resources Plan completed (EPA Technical Assistance Grant)
  - Online activity map completed – restoration, invasive species management, other activities
  - Expanding concepts to other areas (e.g., Dean Creek)
  - Working groups – restoration, pollinators, stakeholder engagement
- Volunteer Activities/Restoration
  - Online TMDL restoration maps created (ArcGIS and searchable app)
- Blogs and Articles
  - Reported under Stream Smart
- Website updates (TMDL 101)
- Hot Spots/Calls of Concern/investigations

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General Stream Smart Schedule												
<i>Topic</i>	<i>January</i>	<i>February</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>August</i>	<i>September</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>November</i>	<i>December</i>
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												

# 31ST ANNUAL ROGUE RIVER CLEAN-UP 2023 EVENT SUMMARY

**Another successful clean-up and weed pull event along the Rogue River from Hog Creek to Almeda is in the books!**

Number of volunteers that participated on May 20th: 155  
Amount of trash recovered: 10 cubic yards (1/4 of a large dumpster)  
Number of invasive plants removed: >1,000  
Number of acres treated for invasive plants: 32

For more details about the event, including a list of sponsors, visit:  
[www.stream-smart.com/rogue-river-clean-ups/](http://www.stream-smart.com/rogue-river-clean-ups/)  
or click on the QR code in the lower right-hand corner.

**Thanks to all of our volunteers, partners, and sponsors for the support!**

