

Stream Smart (TMDL and Stormwater) – Highlights

○ ***Meetings***



- Return of the salmon Planning Meeting – February 2nd
- Pesticide Stewardship Partnership – February 17th
- CWMA – February 25th
- RDWP Meeting – April 1st
- Bear Creek Stewardship Day Planning Meeting #2 – April 20th
- ***Upcoming Meetings***
 - CWMA Meeting – April 29th, 2026 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm online and at RVCOG
 - Return of the Salmon Family Field Day Planning Meeting – April 30th. Event second Saturday in October (10th)
 - Integrated Pest Management Festival – April 23rd at the Southern Oregon Research and Extension Center
 - Stream Smart Advisory Committee – June 1st, 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. online and at RVCOG
- ***Rogue Basin Salmon Watch Program***
 - Spring Program scheduled for May (10 days)
 - Talent Middle School at Blue Heron Park (7th and 8th)
 - Scenic Middle School (18th, 19th, 21st, and 22nd)
 - Salmon Watch Report drafted
- ***Web and Social Media***
 - Page and Event Updates
 - Campaigns
 - Go Blue
 - Go Green
 - Go Volunteer
 - Page in review, updates planned in the next 6 months
 - Bear Creek Stewardship Day (host)
 - Registration through the Stream Smart Website
 - RAIN (host)
 - CWMA (host)
- ***Articles, Press, Blogs, and Presentations***
 - Press Releases – Bear Creek Stewardship Day
 - Blog Post – Hot Spots and Contact Lists (Jan/Feb)
 - Blog Post – Garlic Mustard (March 2026)

- Blog Post – Stream Smart Change for Good (March/April 2026)
- **Events, Presentations, and Volunteer Activities**
 - Presentation on Stream Smart and Clean-ups at the Central Point Rotary 3/18/26. 60 people.
 - Tabling at the Ashland Co-op for the Change for Good Program. 4/3/26 and 4/17/26. 112 visitors.
 - SORE – Southern Oregon Regional Envirothon – 4/6/26. 60 attendees
 - National Drinking Water Week – **May 3rd through May 9th**
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Bear Creek Stewardship Day – Earth Day – 4/25
 - Bear Creek Stewardship Day – Saturday, April 25
 - Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day – Saturday, May 2nd at Rogue Disposal. 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Small business generators can sign up and pay a small fee for disposal on Friday, May 1st ([VSQG-Full-Application-Form-2026.pdf](#))
 - Salmon Watch
 - Talent Middle School at Blue Heron Park – May 7th and 8th
 - Scenic Middle School – May 18th, 19th, 21st, and 22nd.
 - Rogue River Clean Up - May 16th

Stormwater Program (NPDES Phase II)

- **Reporting**
 - Ongoing tracking and reporting of activities.
- **Events and Volunteer Activities**
 - Stream Stewards Clean-up with St. Mary's – March 20th
 - CRC Steering Committee and Coordination (Rogue Basin Follow Your River)
- **Hot Spots**
 - **White City Storm Drain**



Activity Photos, Notices, and Other Items

Stream Smart Steward Clean-up with St. Mary's





DÍA DE LA ADMINISTRACIÓN DE BEAR CREEK STEWARDSHIP DAY



¡Voluntario!
Sábado / Saturday
25 de abril / April 25th
9am–12pm
Volunteer!

Más información



Learn more

BEAR CREEK STEWARDS 

Únase a nosotros para la limpieza de
basura y la restauración ribereña en
CENTRAL POINT, MEDFORD, PHOENIX, TALENT, ASHLAND
Join us for trash clean-up and riparian restoration!

34TH ANNUAL

ROGUE RIVER CLEANUP

Join us for a coordinated trash clean-up and weed-pull event along the Rogue River in Josephine County. Lunch is provided, as well as volunteer swag, prizes, and a raffle!

Saturday, May 16
8 am - 2 pm

Hog Creek County Park
Check in: 8am - 12pm

Indian Mary County Park
Check out & after party: 12 pm - 2 pm



stream-smart.com/rogue-river-clean-ups

Register:





The **Rogue Aquatic Invasives Network (RAIN)** needs your help to protect the Rogue River from harmful aquatic invasive invertebrates!

Why Care?

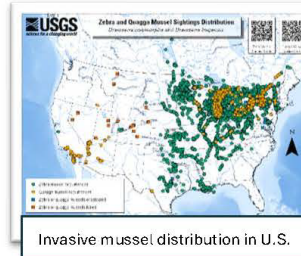
Aquatic invasive invertebrates can:

- Reproduce rapidly and outcompete native species
- Steal food from local wildlife and concentrate toxins
- Litter shorelines, clog pipes, and damage equipment

Let's keep these species out of Oregon's waterways!



East coast shores are SHARP!



Invasive mussel distribution in U.S.

Freshwater Mussels (Zebra, Quagga, Golden)

- Small – fingernail-sized to ~2 inches
- **Threads = INVASIVE**; native mussels do not attach to surfaces



Zebra and Quagga Mussels



Comparison of quagga (left) and zebra (right) mussel. Michigan Sea Grant.



Golden Mussels

New Zealand Mud Snails

- Tiny – 4–6 mm (size of a rice grain)
- Right-handed shell opening
- Thrives in many water types – fresh or brackish, warm or cold



These snails are tiny and easy to miss!

REPORT!

If you find any of these species, report the sighting at:

- **Oregon Invasive Species Hotline** – oregoninvasiveshotline.org
- **Rogue Valley Stream Smart Program** – info@stream-smart.com

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Clean, Drain, Dry