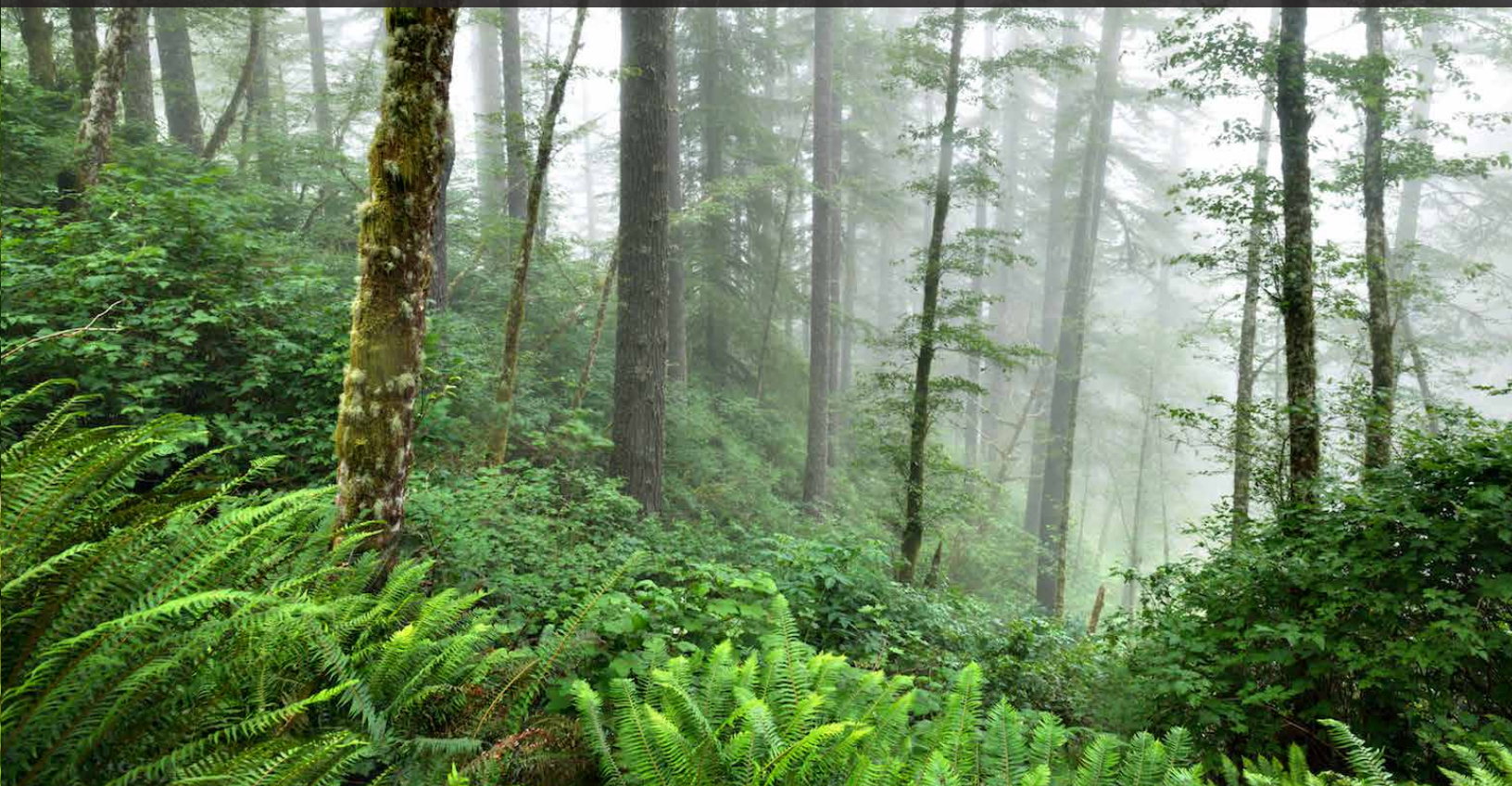


Cascadia WILDLANDS

we like it wild.



2019 ANNUAL REPORT



TO THE CASCADIAN COMMUNITY,

Recapping Cascadia Wildlands' 2019, we are overshadowed by the international community adapting and responding to the harsh consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic. We feel the pain of loved ones lost; friends heroically working overtime in the hospitals and fulfilling the increased demands of our nation's supply chain; colleagues filing for unemployment; parents juggling the new kid-work balance. We are also reminded that this is not a time to drop our guard. The wildlands, waterways and species of Cascadia critically need us as opportunistic industry barons and governments circle like sharks while the world is knocked down.

2019 was a year of conservation gains that YOU helped make happen. The Devil's Staircase Wilderness was finally pushed across the finish line. The Oregon Supreme Court ruled in our favor that the Elliott State Forest can't be privatized.

Pembina, the foreign energy conglomerate promoting the Jordan Cove LNG Project and Pacific Connector Pipeline, failed to secure the critical state permits required to proceed. These wins, however, were achieved against a backdrop of an administration relentlessly focused on gutting landmark laws and policies that safeguard our wildlands and waterways.

Our work is definitely cut out for us in 2020, and it is heartening to know that we have such a supportive movement at our backs.

*Thanks for being there for us,
and stay safe and resilient
amidst all you are
up against right now.*



Josh Laughlin
Executive Director

PROTECTING STORYBOOK FORESTS AND WATERSHEDS

Playing offense, and defense, to defend our outstanding temperate rainforests and watersheds in the region is what makes us tick.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2019

- **Created the 30,500-acre Devil's Staircase Wilderness** through an act of Congress (and years of advocacy!)
- Secured an Oregon Supreme Court **victory that halts privatization of the 93,000-acre Elliott State Forest** in the Oregon Coast Range
- **Protected nearly 600 acres of old-growth forests near the Rogue River** through a successful legal challenge
- **Safeguarded the Thurston Hills recreation area near Eugene/Springfield** from Bureau of Land Management clearcutting plans through grassroots organizing and litigation

CONFRONTING FOSSIL FUEL EXTRACTION

Protecting imperiled species, big trees and clean water is all for naught if we don't stop runaway climate change. That is why we continued to put the screws to the proponents of the Jordan Cove LNG Export Project and 229-mile Pacific Connector Pipeline proposed for southern Oregon.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2019

- **Stymied the project through opposition campaigns and massive rallies** targeting Governor Kate Brown and her permitting agencies
- **Helped compel the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and Oregon Department of State Lands to deny critical permits** for the fossil fuel export scheme
- **Submitted legal comments** on the federal environmental impact statement



ORGANIZING THE COMMUNITY INTO ACTION

Plugging community members into action greatly compliments our policy and litigation program as seen through recent efforts with timber sale campaigns and Jordan Cove resistance.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2019

- **WildCAT (Cascadia Action Team)**, the heart of our grassroot organizing program, **grew in strength and numbers**
- **Hosted our first-ever Basecamp**, a forest defense skill-sharing weekend that turned out 35 intrepid forest advocates
- **Expanded our WildCAT field checking team**, which visited numerous timber sales in order to groundtruth, **gathering invaluable data to use in legal actions and grassroots opposition efforts**

SAFEGUARDING IMPERILED SPECIES

The iconic fish and wildlife of our region continue to feel the impacts of climate change and habitat loss. Cascadia Wildlands was busy executing conservation campaigns to push back against reckless policy and enhance species' protections.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2019

- **Bolstered gray wolf populations across the Pacific West** through legal, policy and grassroots organizing strategies
- **Submitted a successful petition** to the Oregon Board of Forestry to better **protect endangered coho salmon habitat**
- **Banned trapping of imperiled Humboldt martens** in the Oregon Coast Range
- **Secured a legal victory for marbled murrelets**, likely leading to increased state protections



HAVING A FUNdraising TIME

Back by popular demand was the boot-stompin' **Hoedown for Cascadia's Ancient Forests**, which was held at Rockin' HK Barn in Veneta in September, and included a benefit beer made in collaboration with The Wheel Apizza Pub (photos below, #8-11). The **Wonderland Auction** (photo at left, #3) smashed previous fundraising records and was bolstered by a \$40,000 match by Patagonia during the paddle raise portion of the event!



Cascadia Wildlands defends and restores Cascadia's wild ecosystems in the forests, in the courts, and in the streets.

WE ENVISION VAST OLD-GROWTH FORESTS, RIVERS FULL OF WILD SALMON, WOLVES HOWLING IN THE BACKCOUNTRY, A STABLE CLIMATE, AND VIBRANT COMMUNITIES SUSTAINED BY THE UNIQUE LANDSCAPES OF THE CASCADIA BIOREGION.

PHOTO CREDITS | Cover/Page 1: A misty morning on the Elliott State Forest (by Tim Giraudier). Page 2 - 3: Background image, Winberry Creek in the Willamette National Forest (by Andrew Kumler). Photo collage, #1 Community members overtake the Oregon capitol in opposition to the Jordan Cove LNG Project in November 2019 (by Cascadia Wildlands). #2 Mushroom found in the Windy Peak timber sale (by Anupam Katkar/WildCAT). #3 Wonderland Auction 2019 (by Anupam Katkar/WildCAT). #4 A successful petitioning effort in 2019 has banned trapping of the imperiled Humboldt marten (by USFWS). #5 Observed in the Devils Staircase Wilderness (by Cascadia Wildlands). #6 WildCATs at Basecamp during summer 2019 (by Cascadia Wildlands). #7 Chesnimus Pack alpha male in 2019 (by ODFW). #8 Moonlight Jubilee played a barn burner at the Hoedown in 2019 (by Cascadia Wildlands). #9 WildCATs, and former interns, Bernard and Madeline, in their Hoedown finery (by Cascadia Wildlands). #10/#11 Attendees do-si-do at the 2019 Hoedown (by Dave Stone/WildCAT). **Back Cover/Page 4:** Background image, Fungi spotted while field checking the Windy Peak timber sale (by Anupam Katkar/WildCAT). Emily Jensen, Co-owner of Thinking Tree (courtesy of Emily Jensen).

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*** Are you interested in learning about becoming a Cascadia Wildlands Board Member? Let us know!**

CASCADIA WILDLANDS BY THE NUMBERS

2019 Income: \$585,317 Full-time staff: 5 Board Members: 6
2019 Expense: \$452,689 Legal interns: 2 WildCATs: 40+



INDIVIDUALS During 2019, individual giving from supporters like YOU comprised 42% of our operating income to support clean water, stately forests, salmon and wildlife recovery, recreation, and so much more. **We are humbled and full of gratitude.**

BUSINESSES Whether through cash or in-kind donations, business support creates strategic cause-related marketing that benefits both Cascadia Wildlands and the supportive business. We are particularly grateful for the deep support of **Mountain Rose Herbs**, a company that sets the bar high year-after-year and which contributed \$20,000 to help us achieve our goals in 2019. While we can't name them all, we are also indebted to following businesses for their unwavering support in 2019.



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FOUNDATIONS Our work would not be possible without the support of the following grant-making foundations over the past two years:

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KEY BUSINESS PARTNER:

Thinking Tree Spirits

"Together with Cascadia Wildlands, we work to build community, culture and respect for our natural world. We endeavor to bring people together and be a conduit for change. Our hand-crafted spirits inevitably help provide a vehicle to achieve this vision of positive action."

— Emily Jensen
Co-Owner, Thinking Tree Spirits



HELP LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY IN CASCADIA

Cascadia Wildlands' EIN: 93-1293019

DONATE MONTHLY: Set up a direct account transfer (ACH) and become part of our Keystone Circle (monthly donor program). This is the most efficient way to give your support and ensures your entire gift goes to us and not also to a credit card processing fee.

GIVE THROUGH YOUR IRA: If you are at least 72 years old, consider making a Qualified Charitable Distribution directly from your IRA to Cascadia Wildlands each year. You avoid tax consequences of the Required Minimum Distribution and support your favorite non-profit!

DONATE STOCK: Cascadia Wildlands works with RBC Wealth Management (DTC #: 0235) in Eugene to facilitate stock donations. Our account number is: 316-04682.

MAKE A BEQUEST: Naming Cascadia Wildlands in your will as the beneficiary of a qualified retirement plan asset such as a 401(k), 403(b), IRA, Keogh or profit sharing pension plan will accomplish a charitable goal while realizing significant tax savings.

CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY OR CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST: A generous donor helped us launch an endowment fund in 2018, allowing us to offer Charitable Gift Annuities or Charitable Remainder Trusts. These options facilitate income for the remainder of a donor's life or for a specified number of years, while obtaining an income or estate tax benefit. At passing, funds are gifted to Cascadia Wildlands.

We'd enjoy talking to you about your options.
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