CASCADIA REVIEW

Federal Court Strikes Down Clearcutting in the Thurston Hills, Again

Advocates Encourage the BLM to Proceed with the Trail Building by Nick Cady, Legal Director

In early June, Cascadia Wildlands and conservation partner, Oregon Wild, once again prevailed in District Court over the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Thurston Hills timber sale on the edge of Springfield, OR. Originally designed as an expansion to the mountain biking trails running through the 655-acre Thurston Hills Natural Area, the BLM has been for several years attempting to first clearcut the area — not only ruining the recreation opportunities that the area is specifically set aside for, but also admittedly increasing fire hazards for nearby residents based on their logging prescription. Twice now, the District Court in Eugene has held that the BLM needs to protect the proposed mountain biking trails from any logging activities for their recreation and scenic values.

Parker Jones, former Cascadia Wildlands legal intern presently working with the Law Office of Charlie Tebbutt, successfully argued that the BLM's clearcutting plans were unlawful. The Court held that the BLM's actions are "a serious, substantive error" and further held that any new logging proposal that increases fire risks for the community needs to expressly consider "Oregon's historic and devastating 2020 fire season" that burned over 173,000 acres, destroyed property, and displaced thousands of residents. Finally, the judge



ABOVE: Community members' opposition and countless WildCAT volunteer hours field checking and hitting the streets were critical to halting the proposed clearcutting of the Thurston Hills. BACKGROUND: Old hemlock in the Thurston Hills timber sale area (photos by Michael Sherman/Spring Fed Media).

reiterated that despite the ruling, nothing prevents the BLM from moving forward with the highly anticipated new trail construction. We are hopeful that the BLM will move forward with that community-positive component of the project, and look forward to seeing you in the outstanding Thurston Hills soon!

We are indebted to the vocal community members, WildCATs, and Thurston Hills neighbors who have been active for years against this reckless project.



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Action Is the Antidote to Climate Despair

by Josh Laughlin, Executive Director

As anticipated, the conclusions in the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) released on August 9 were grim: Climate change is continuing to wreak havoc across the world, and without drastic action to reduce our collective greenhouse gas output into the atmosphere, the symptoms will worsen, further affecting life on Earth.

The report's findings show that runaway climate change is intensifying the water cycle, bringing more intense rainfall and associated flooding, as well as more intense drought and wildfire in many regions; facilitating sea level rise, contributing to more frequent and severe coastal flooding in low-lying areas and coastal erosion; amplifying permafrost thawing, and the loss of seasonal snow cover, melting of glaciers and ice sheets, and loss of summer Arctic sea ice; causing changes to the ocean, including warming, more frequent marine heatwaves, ocean acidification, and reduced oxygen levels. Climate change also continues to disproportionately affect lower income and marginalized communities across the

globe. The list goes on.

This and past IPCC reports have compelled Cascadia Wildlands to ensure our program work is firmly rooted in confronting climate change as our work to recover wild salmon, wolverine, marbled murrelets, and so many other sensitive critters, will be all for naught if we don't. This crisis is drastically affecting their habitats and food sources — critical elements for survival — and immediate intervention is required.

Cascadia Wildlands' work to protect native forests is for more than just habitat main-



tenance and water quality protection. Forest defense is climate defense, as our older temperate rainforests in Cascadia store more carbon per acre than any other kind of forest in the world. When logged, carbon dioxide is released into the atmosphere, exacerbating climate change. Keeping our cathedral forests standing is a wise hedge in blunting climate change.

The climate crisis is also why we are actively part of the Power Past Fracked Gas Coalition, which works to confront new fossil fuel infrastructure in the Pacific Northwest at all costs. Escaped methane, a dangerous and much more potent greenhouse gas than carbon dioxide, occurs at fracked gas well sites, fueling the crisis, as does the combustion of this fracked gas to produce electricity at power plants.

Our burgeoning Fossil Free Eugene campaign's goal is to ban new fracked gas infrastructure in the city and establish a Just Transition Fund to assist residents in moving toward appliance

electrification from clean energy sources. It is gaining momentum.

After nearly 15 years of opposition campaigns, our diverse coalition won a decisive victory against the proposed Jordan Cove Liquefied Natural Gas Project and associated 230-mile Pacific Connector Pipeline, which would have piped fracked gas from the Rockies to southern Oregon then shipped it overseas to be burned for energy. After failing to secure required local, state and federal permits, it appears to have finally died on the vine.

The Sixth Assessment Report of the IPCC was another stark reminder we must take bold action locally, regionally, nationally and internationally. And it all starts with each and everyone of us. Thank you for your support of Cascadia Wildlands' work to do just this, and for your individual efforts to confront runaway climate change. Generations to come are counting on us.

Josh Laughlin Executive Director

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Barred Owl (Strix varia)

The barred owl is widely distributed in the eastern US and is becoming increasingly common in the Pacific Northwest. Like most owls, barred owls are primarily nocturnal, though they are occasionally seen hunting around dusk and dawn. Barred owls have heavily vertically streaked or "barred" chests, black eyes and a round head. Known for their "who-cooks-for-vou" call, the barred owl can be difficult to distinguish, especially with only a quick glimpse, from the imperiled northern spotted owl's mottled or "spotted" chests.

Barred owls are habitat generalists, very territorial, and can outcompete spotted owls - which has led to proposals to cull barred owls to protect spotted owls. The primary cause of spotted owl decline is, and continues to be, the ongoing fragmentation of mature and old-growth forests on which spotted owls depend, leading to an edge effect where barred owls enter spotted owl territories. The best way to protect spotted owls is to keep our remaining mature and old-growth forests standing.

'edge effect' = the various consequences on plants and animals which occur as a result of one type of habitat meeting another; development is linked with the creation of sudden, artificial edges of forest fragments (ex. from logging).

Introducing Grassroots and Digital Organizer, Madeline Cowen!

by Madeline Cowen, Grassroots and Digital Organizer

Over the years, I've loved my time as a WildCAT (Cascadia Action Team) volunteer — tromping through the forests, taking a stand at State Land Board meetings, helping to quash the Jordan Cove LNG Project and Pacific Connector Pipeline, and, of course, gettin' down at the Hoedown. Now, I'm so excited to help build our grassroots movement as we find ways to move forward amid the ongoing pandemic.

In the thick of the current climate crisis, it's essential that we fight for a *Just Transition* away from fossil fuels and industrial forestry practices.

In achieving this, my goal as the new Grassroots and Digital Organizer is to center this work on justice, equity and accessibility. This means dismantling status-quo white environmentalism and colonial land concepts, while also centering frontline voices.

The work will be challenging and fun, but with the support of an amazing staff and foundation of incredible WildCAT volunteers, I feel both encouraged and eager to build out our programs in field checking reckless timber sales, working toward a Fossil Free Eugene, and other pressing campaigns.



Don't be a stranger! I'm always available to listen and chat:

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Welcome Pablo San Emeterio, 2021-2022 Legal Extern



Cascadia Wildlands has some extra legal help this fall/winter from Pablo San Emeterio! Born in Wisconsin, Pablo spent most of his life in and around Madison. He grew up enjoying the plentiful lakes and rivers found across the state. Pablo attended the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse where he received degrees in Political Science and Earth Science. After graduating, he moved west to Portland, enrolling at Lewis & Clark Law School where he is currently pursuing his J.D. with a certificate in Environmental and Natural Resources Law. When he isn't studying or working, Pablo can be found enjoying Portland's many parks, spending time by the river, on nearby trails, or finding other ways to appreciate the outdoors around town. Like our legal internship program, Pablo's externship is made possible through the generosity of the Evergreen Hill Education Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation.

Mixed News for Wolves in Cascadia

ODFW Guns Down Pups, California Packs Survive Fires

by Bethany Cotton, Conservation Director

THE BAD: In Oregon, the state Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) issued a kill order for up to four members of the Lookout Mountain pack after a series of livestock predations in eastern Oregon this summer. The Department failed to disclose to either the Governor's office or its oversight body, Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission, that the order was written in such a way that it guaranteed 12-week-old, barely weaned wolf pups would be killed. The pack has two collared adults (the breeding pair), two yearlings, and seven puppies. ODFW does not lethally remove collared wolves unless a kill order is issued for the entire pack, thus an order for four wolves to be killed meant at least two of the pups would be targeted. ODFW then gunned down two of the

pack's pups from a helicopter using taxpayer dollars. Despite public outrage, the agency reissued the kill order.

Cascadia Wildlands and our partners are working to hold the agency accountable both for its lack of transparency and for its targeting of pups that are too young to have participated in the predations that led to the kill order.

THE GOOD: While the Dixie fire in northern California burned much of the pack's territory, the Lassen wolf pack survived the fire. State and federal biologists followed the ping of the breeding female's collar, expecting to find dead wolves, and instead found them and a green meadow with a creek nearby, unimpacted by the fire that had scorched nearly all surrounding

areas. Surviving the largest fire burning in California is no small feat, an impressive display of wolves' resilience and a reminder that wildlife co-evolved with wildfire on the landscape. Burned landscapes are good habitat for wolves' prey species, including deer and elk, that find forage in the post-fire green up. The second pack in California - the Whaleback pack — also survived two fires burning in its territory. Wolves remain protected in California by the state's Endangered Species Act.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT OUR WOLF WORK, YOU CAN MAKE A DONATION TO OUR:

Wolf Defense Fund cascwild.org/wolf-defense-fund





Series of Post-fire Lawsuits Filed Against Willamette National Forest

by Nick Cady, Legal Director

Cascadia Wildlands' legal team has been working overtime this summer to push back against the ever-expanding tide of post-fire clearcutting proposals being proposed by the Forest Service and other public forest agencies in the aftermath of the 2020 Labor Day fires. Burned areas are especially vulnerable to the impacts of industrial logging, leading to increased erosion and degraded water quality and habitat. The clearcut logging and subsequent replanting of dense, resinous plantations in these burned areas also increases future fire risk for decades to come.

Cascadia Wildlands has partnered with Crag Law Center and co-plaintiffs Oregon Wild and Willamette Riverkeeper on two recent legal actions against the Willamette National Forest's proposed post-fire clearcutting.

The Forest Service
EXEMPTED ITSELF
from conducting
any site-specific
environmental analysis



Extensive roadside hazard tree removal after last year's wildfires has validated concerns that the state is over-cutting trees that aren't actually hazardous (photo by Cassandra Profita/OPB).

2020 Fires Roadside Danger Tree Reduction Project:

While "roadside danger tree reduction" sounds worthy, what this project actually amounts to is 200 feet of clearcutting on both sides of over 400 miles of "roads" across the Willamette National Forest. It roughly amounts to 20,000 acres of post-fire clearcutting, the largest clearcutting project the state has seen in decades. While some roadside logging of dead trees makes sense where they pose a danger to travelers, the vast majority of the proposal targets either administratively closed or rarely used logging spurs. On a field trip with the Forest Service, Cascadia staff visited a "road" the agency had decided to log for safety. It turns out the road had not been used in at least several decades and was completely blocked by a large landslide.

What's worse is that despite the enormous scale and impacts to recreation, water quality, imperiled species, and rural communities, the Forest Service exempted itself from conducting any site-specific environmental analysis of the project to determine potential impacts. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals recently declared this exact practice illegal.



WILLAMETTE NATIONAL FOREST POST-FIRE CONTRACT CHANGES:

Both the Holiday Farm Fire in the McKenzie watershed and Beachie Creek Fire in the North Santiam drainage burned through a number of earlier planned timber sale project areas that Cascadia Wildlands had worked on collaboratively with the Forest Service.

These projects were designed to use commercial thinning to mimic the impacts of a fire in the region, reduce tree density in timber plantations, and ideally restore some complexity to the homogenous stands. Before these projects were implemented, the areas burned in the 2020 fires.

Instead of recognizing that the 2020 fires had created ideal post-fire habitat in these timber sale areas, the Forest Service unilaterally changed these projects from restoration thinning to post-fire clearcutting.

Cascadia Wildlands only discovered the changes after on-the-ground field checking. Cascadia Wildlands inquired with the Forest Service who then removed old project files from its website and has not responded to our Freedom of Information Act documents request.

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Lower North Falls, Silver Falls State Park (photo by Andrew Kumler).

NOTES FROM SALEM: Some Highs and Lows

Marbled Murrelet Receives Increased Protection, OFRI Reform Fails

by Bethany Cotton, Conservation Director

OFRI REFORM FAIL

While significant progress was made to ensure Oregon is a leader in a just transition to 100% renewable energy, the legislature utterly failed to reform the Oregon Forest Resources Institute (OFRI), despite in-depth reporting of the quasi-agency's significant misdeeds, including lobbying and essentially acting as the propaganda arm of the timber industry. (You've likely seen their slick ads on TV.)

Although the reform legislation passed the House, Senate President Peter Courtney failed to schedule a vote on the bill before the session ended. Within days of the legislative session coming to a close, the Secretary of State's independent audit of OFRI's activities confirmed the reporting and concluded OFRI may have broken the law as well.

Supported by the damning audit, we expect the legislature to act in the next session.



CLEAN ENERGY PROGRESS

As our state continues to feel the very real impacts of climate change, the suite of energy efficiency bills puts Oregon at the vanguard of the essential transition to cleaner energy production.

The bills passed in 2021 require 80% clean electricity by 2030 and 100% by 2040 as well as mandating that large energy production projects pay both prevailing wages and benefits to workers, among other provisions.

HB 2021: 100% Clean Energy for All Invests in renewable energy projects, ensures improved wages and benefits for workers on projects, sets timeline to reach 100% renewable energy.

HB 2165: Transportation Electrification
Removes expiration date for the Oregon
Clean Vehicle Rebate Program. Requires
Oregon's two largest investor-owned
utilities, PCE and Pacific Power, to use some
revenue to towards transportation
electrification efforts.

HB 2475: Energy Affordability

Gives Oregon Public Utility Commission ability to consider "differential energy burdens on low income customers and other economic, social equity or environmental justice factors that affect affordability."

HB 3141: Public Purpose Modernization

Oregon's major electric utilities must continue to make all possible energy efficiency investments. Funding for weatherization and energy efficiency programs for low-income households, schools, and housing developments.

WILDLIFE LACKING

The legislature failed to pass the bill banning coyote killing contests for the third session in a row, and unfortunately, no proactive wildlife legislation passed this session.

We have more work to do educating Oregon's state elected leaders about the importance of wildlife protection. We are doing so as founding members of the Oregon Wildlife Coalition, an alliance of nine organizations advocating for wildlife in the state.



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The Oregon Wildlife Coalition

is a coalition of wildlife conservation groups working proactively and collaboratively to advocate for policies that are science-based and humane, and reflect the state's conservation values.

for Conservation Policy This Summer

THE 2021 OREGON LEGISLATIVE SESSION WAS A MIXED BAG FOR CONSERVATION INTERESTS.

VICTORY FOR MURRELETS

While the legislative session was somewhat of a disappointment, we had a huge years-in-the-making win before the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission in July. The culmination of over four years of advocacy to obtain greater protections for the imperiled Marbled Murrelet was the Commission's 4-3 vote to uplist the old-growth forest dependent seabird from "threatened" to "endangered" under Oregon's Endangered Species Act. The change in status will likely curtail activities like logging and road building on state-managed public land in the murrelet's range.

The decision also proves the importance of ensuring actual wildlife advocates are on state Fish and Wildlife Commissions, which hold significant authority and influence over the management of species and their habitat. Oregon's Commission will be expanding in 2022 as its makeup is tied to federal legislative districting. We will be looking for willing pro-wildlife Commission candidates to step forward to serve in this important capacity.



Some findings from the SECRETARY OF STATE OREGON AUDITS DIVISION REPORT published in July 2021:

OFRI's core purpose under statute is clear, but there is confusion and concern over a state agency with broad authority and limited oversight promoting a private sector industry.

OFRI maintains that it provides objective, science-based information to the public, but it is not transparent about primarily representing forest industry perspectives.

The agency's [OFRI's] public opinion research and advertising efforts suggest the agency may be working to shift public attitudes and opinions to favor the industry, rather than providing objective information.

OFRI's public education program [is] the agency's largest expenditure at approximately half of the budget.

OFRI's board composition undermines the agency's stated efforts to provide objective forestry information to the public.

THANK YOU, Dylan Plummer!

We are deeply indebted to former Grassroots Organizer, Dylan Plummer, for his tenacity in fighting for a wilder Cascadia. Dylan recently took a position with the Sierra Club to focus his highly desired campaigning skills on confronting runaway climate change through electrification campaigns and efforts to combat new fossil fuel infrastructure. We will still be working closely with Dylan in our campaign to create a Fossil Free Eugene, which aims to ban new fracked gas infrastructure in Eugene, facilitate a Just Transition away from a fossil fuels, and create a model for other cities to follow to ensure a livable climate into the future. Happy trails, Dylan!



DYLAN

Blooming Like a Red Rose

Inspires Culinary Delights and Virtuosic Music

Cascadia Wildlands teamed up with Pandita and other business partners to host Blooming Like a Red Rose on July 25.

Featuring Pandita's culinary delights, and virtuosic music by Samson Grisman, Ric Robertson and Alex Hargreaves.

The merriment ran deep, with the evening bringing in \$2,800 to support our conservation work.

Gratitude to Our Event Sponsors —
 Hyphae Wellness, TJ's Gardens,
 The Wheel Apizza Pub and Brewery,
 and Wicked Kind for partnering with us to hold this one-of-a-kind night.



ABOVE: Sam Grisman, Ric Robertson, and Alex Hargreaves (photo by Luca Iribarren).

Re-imagining Wonderland

by Kaley CoslowSauer, Design and Events Director

Like many of us, Cascadia Wildlands has needed to re-evaluate how we can best work and celebrate with one another.

We had hoped to see you all this December for our annual Wonderland Auction, but have decided that the safest and most community-centered decision is to still exercise caution since we are just beginning to safely navigate our way back into a more typical social rhythm. So, while we won't be celebrating with some 350-people strong this year, we are instead looking forward to a re-invention of our annual event. We want our Wonderland Auction to continue to best serve not only the fiscal health and longevity of this organization, but accommodate our growing numbers in our Cascadia movement.

While we're still working out

the details, we are excited to share with you that we are going to be dividing the Wonderland Auction into two seasonal events — for twice the party and twice the celebration of community!

Imagine the same sort of swanky affair you've come to love in December, with an additional swinging event in June! If you haven't been able to attend our Wonderland Auction in the past, now there's the opportunity to join us for a summer auction where we'll all enjoy the outside air and the great outdoors at Mt. Pisgah Arboretum's White Oak Pavilion on June 25, 2022 from 6-10pm.

Our re-imagined Wonderland Auctions (we're still figuring out what to call the new summer event) will most likely have capacity for 200-250 people at each event — so it'll be even more important to get your

Our 2021 Online Wonderland Auction will run for 1 week:

<u>Bidding Starts</u> @ 12-noon on Saturday, December 4

<u>**Bidding Ends</u>** @ 5:00pm on Saturday, December 11</u>

Details coming soon to our website: CascWild.org

tickets early! Watch for ticket sales to start about 6-8 weeks before the day of the event.

This year, expect an online-only auction for December (next year, fingers crossed, we'll be able to gather all together again). Unlike our usual smattering of offerings, we'll be featuring a selection of our most exciting adventure packages, unparalleled art and framed photography, and exquisite jewelry. Where you're located won't matter since all bidding will take place online!

We hope to see you again soon, and thanks for working with us during this bizarre time.



Over 250 Businesses in Oregon Endorse Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan for the State

On September 30, hundreds of businesses sent a letter to Oregon Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley endorsing their plan to designate 4,700 additional river miles across the state under the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers system. If enacted, the legislation will create permanent protections for these rivers and tributaries, which will safeguard clean water, the outdoor recreation economy, and habitat for generations to come.

Currently, only two percent (2,173 miles) of the state's 110,000 miles of rivers are protected as wild and scenic, the *River Democracy Act* would

increase that to six percent.

Dozens of Cascadia Wildlands business partners have endorsed the effort, and the letter followed an endorsement submitted a few weeks ago by over 50 breweries in Oregon.

Chris Daughters, owner of The Caddis Fly Angling Shop in Eugene said, "Oregon's storybook rivers draw people from across the world for all of the recreation opportunities they offer. The protection of these rivers and their stream-side environments ensure certainty into the future for river-dependent businesses like The Caddis Fly Angling Shop, and that is

why we commend Senators Wyden and Merkley for moving the River Democracy Act through Congress."

Outdoor recreation is the backbone of Oregon's economy. According to a recent study by Travel Oregon, 95 percent of Oregonians participate in outdoor recreation each year, and in 2019 alone, Oregonians and out-of-state travelers spent \$15.6 billion on outdoor recreation and related expenses, supporting 224,000 jobs.

It is anticipated that a markup of the bill in Congress will take place this fall or winter.



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TOPOGRAPHICAL PRINTS OF ICONIC PLACES IN CASCADIA

We've partnered with business supporter *Map Your Adventure* to offer prints of Cascadia's iconic mountains, waterways and wilderness areas. Created using the highest resolution data available, they are hyper-precise and often more accurate than a GPS app. Printed on high-quality matte paper and available in several different sizes, framed or not. Your purchase of a print of the Rouge River, Volcanoes of the Cascades, or any other wild place listed on our site, will support Cascadia Wildlands.

Check it Out:

- Visit our website CascWild.org
- Click on Ways to Give (top-right of the main menu)
- Choose **Online Shop Map Your Adventure** (at the bottom of the drop down)

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If you are at least 72 years old, consider making a Qualified Charitable Distribution directly from your IRA to Cascadia Wildlands each year. This avoids the tax consequences of the Required Minimum Distribution while supporting your favorite non-profit!

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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.

ENDOWMENT FUND GIVING with Charitable Gift Annuity or Charitable Remainder Trust:

A generous donor helped us launch an endowment fund through the Oregon Community Foundation, allowing us to offer Charitable Gift Annuities or Charitable Remainder Trusts. These two options facilitate income for the remainder of a donor's life or a specified number of years, while obtaining an income or estate tax benefit. At passing, funds are gifted to Cascadia Wildlands.

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