# CASCADIA REVIEW

# Making the Climate Case for a Mature Forest Logging Moratorium

Flat Country Timber Sale above the McKenzie River a Case in Point by Rebecca White, *Wildlands Director* 

Let's talk "proforestation." Coined by environmental scientist William Moomaw, this term describes letting older forests do their natural thing, growing and sequestering carbon while nurturing a deep network of wild lives. It's capturing the idea of leaving forests alone if they're already mature and letting younger forests survive to become old-growth.

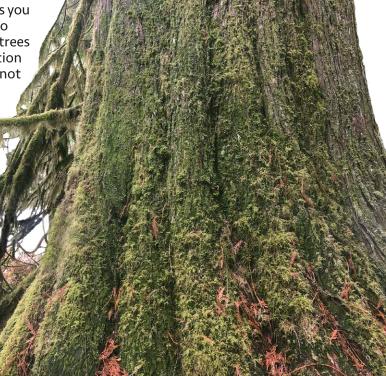
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Eli Holmes of Willamette Riverkeepe admires an ancient cedar in the Fla Country timber sale (photo by





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## A Generationally **Defining 15 Months**

by Josh Laughlin, Executive Director

How to put the last 15 months into words? From the global health crisis, to daylighted racial injustice and white supremacy, to the attempted coup of our presidential election, the developments have been generationally defining. I hope you are staying resilient and finding the community and resolve necessary to push onward while attempting to create the systemic change we want to see.

COVID-19 seems like it is here to stay, with masks a regular part of our getups and distancing part of our interaction moving forward. By mid-June, the entire Cascadia Wildlands staff will be fully vaccinated, which will allow us to physically engage with one another, lead trips into the field responsibly, gather together with other vacci-



nated supporters like YOU, and advance our time-tested strategies and tactics that require bodies and masses. It has been a trying last year, moving largely to a virtual platform for engaging advocates, policy makers, and our movement partners. Hosting the December Wonderland Auction through Zoom was an experience that, while a blast and requiring immense creativity, is something we hopefully won't have to do again.

Much of the Cascadia staff was in the streets over the past year, in solidarity with Black Lives Matter and other communities facing systemic injustice. Our legal team filed a lawsuit against the US Department of Homeland Security for



its wanton use of chemical munitions, which have been wreaking havoc on human health and the environment, on non-violent demonstrators in Portland. While we held our collective breath in April as the judge read the jury's verdict in Minneapolis, then exhaled as the murder convictions were announced, we were reminded that this moment, while monumental, was merely a step toward police accountability in the way Black people are policed in our country, not justice.

And then there is the white supremacy culture creeping out of the woodwork over the past four years, culminating in the US Capitol riot on January 6. Emboldened by Trump's manufactured "rigged" elections battle cry, this racist and violent sector is woven ever-so-tightly into our society's fabric. It's been 500 years in the making, how couldn't it be? It is up to us individually, and collectively, to stand up to

and confront oppression when we see it and create the change we want.

While we have a huge mess to clean up, it is refreshing to know that we have leadership that appears to be putting climate stability, racial justice and human health at the forefront. Yet, we are under no delusions that this administration will make all the right calls. We will continue agitating, advocating, movement building, and litigating to enact the policies required to stabilize our fragile climate, safeguard our outstanding wildlands and imperiled species, and help empower marginalized, frontline communities bearing the disproportionate effects of environmental injustice.

It is good to know we have each other in our quest for a wild and just Cascadia.

Josh Laughlin
Executive Director

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## Red Tree Vole

Arborimus longicaudus

The red tree vole (RTV) is an 8-inch, up to 2oz., nocturnal, arboreal mammal found in the moist coniferous forests of western Oregon and northwest California. An individual animal often lives its entire life over 100ft. high in the canopy of a single old-growth Douglas fir tree, feeding entirely on conifer needles. This makes RTVs extremely vulnerable to logging, which can remove the nest tree altogether, or expose it to weather and predators. RTVs can't survive clearcutting or fire. Due to widespread loss of mature forests in Oregon, red tree voles are imperiled. Protecting them means protecting remaining old forests, which benefits not just the vole, but also hundreds of other plants and animals, our drinking water sources, and our climate.

In 2011, following a legal settlement, the US Fish and Wildlife Service determined Oregon Coast red tree vole belonged on the Endangered Species Act. This was repeatedly reaffirmed until 2019, when the Trump administration abruptly reversed course and denied protections without explanation. Cascadia Wildlands and allies filed a lawsuit on March 25, 2021 challenging this denial. The lawsuit is ongoing.

- rodent, related to hamsters
- small litters of 1-4 pups
- brown-colored coat when young,

## 2020 Wonderland Auction a Streaming Success

by Kaley CoslowSauer, Design and Events Director

The annual Wonderland Auction is only possible with the help of many amazing people. We would like to thank everyone involved in making the live-streamed 2020 Wonderland Auction on December 5, 2020 one to remember.

At one point, 115 Zoom screens were present (over 250 smiling faces!) for the event, which was broadcast from the WildCraft Cider Works barrel room in Eugene, OR. After a program update and exciting Live Auction, the evening ended with an incredible live concert. Your generosity, enthusiasm and positivity helped us raise \$60,000, which will support protecting big trees, clean water, a stable climate, and imperiled species in 2021 and beyond.

Amy Atwood

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## Wolf Populations in the Pacific West Grew in 2020

by Bethany Cotton, Conservation Director

Good news in Cascadia: wolf numbers continue to increase in Oregon and Washington! In late April, both Oregon and Washington released their official wolf counts for 2020 the numbers represent the minimum known population. Washington's wolf population increased 22% from a minimum count of 108 wolves in 2019 to at least 132 wolves in 2020, with an additional 46 wolves in five packs reported by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation. Oregon's count went up from at least 158 in 2019 to at minimum 173 in 2020.

Oregon had 17 successful breeding pairs as of December 31, 2020, while Washington is

home to 13 outside of Tribal lands. (A breeding pair is an adult male and female wolf with at least two pups, which survive through the end of the year.) Wolves in western Oregon increased 29% over 2019, with 13% of the state's wolves present in the western management zone. Wolf activity was documented in 12 Oregon counties and 35 geographic areas. Four new packs formed in Washington in 2020, while Oregon's pack count actually decreased. Of the nine documented wolf mortalities in Oregon, seven were human caused and four of those killings were illegal. Illegal killings remain the most serious threat to wolf recovery in Oregon, and the majority of

those killings remain unsolved. Only one wolf mortality in Washington was due to unknown causes, however, and none were deemed illegal killings.

Wolves dispersing from Oregon are also making inroads into their historic habitat in California. Since early February OR-93 — a male wolf fitted with a GPS collar from the White River pack near Mt. Hood — traveled through at least 15 counties, likely becoming the first wolf to return to California's Central Coast region in 100 years.

While wolves are recovering relatively well in Cascadia, they have faced significant threats elsewhere since Endangered Species Act protections were removed in the waning days of the Trump administration. Cascadia Wildlands and other conservation organizations are litigating the premature removal of federal protections.

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# OUT OF GAS: Fossil Fuel Industry Facing Defeats on Multiple Fronts in the Fight for Climate Justice

by Dylan Plummer, Grassroots Organizer

2021 is shaping up to be a big year in our movement for climate justice and the fight against fossil fuel infrastructure. In the past six months, we have seen monumental victories in our campaign against Jordan Cove LNG, the proposed 232-mile fracked gas pipeline and export terminal through southern Oregon.

In January, the Federal Energy Regulatory Committee (FERC) upheld the State of Oregon's decision to deny the project a critical water quality certification, delivering what the Oregonian described as "a potentially fatal blow" to the pipeline. Just weeks after FERC's decision, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA) declined to overturn a State objection to the project under the Coastal Zone Management Act, delivering another major setback to the project that has been promoted by various multinational energy corporations for nearly 15 years.

While Jordan Cove LNG has yet to be fully defeated, these two recent federal decisions make it increasingly unlikely that the project will be



Avery Temple, climate and racial justice organizer with Sunrise Eugene and former climate and justice intern for Cascadia Wildlands this past spring, addresses participants in the 'Fossil Free Eugene' rally and die-in in front of Northwest Natural utility (photo by Robert Scherle).

constructed any time soon. Just recently, the Jordan Cove LNG website was taken down after over a decade, showing another glimmer of hope that this climate-destroying project might finally be cancelled for good. Nonetheless, landowners in the path of the pipeline are still facing the condemnation of their property through eminent domain, and Cascadia Wildlands and the No LNG Coalition are committed to continuing to fight this

project in the courts and in the streets until it is permanently cancelled and no longer poses a threat to rural communities, Tribes, wildlands and species, and our climate.





As we have pushed back Jordan Cove LNG at every opportunity, we have also turned our attention to local fights against new fossil fuel infrastructure. With a coalition of environmental and social justice organizations across Eugene and Lane County, including our partners Beyond Toxics and the Eugene Springfield NAACP, Cascadia Wildlands has helped to create the **Fossil Free Eugene Coalition** to fight for policies to transition our city and our county to using clean, renewable energy.

## Specifically, the coalition is focused on three demands for the City of Eugene:

- **1.** immediately halt the construction of new fossil fuel infrastructure;
- 2. mandate our locally owned and democratically operated utility, the Eugene Water and Electric Board, to transition to 100% renewable energy; and
- **3.** levy a fee on polluters to create a just transition fund to support frontline, BIPOC, and low-income communities to transition away from fossil fuel-run appliances.



## **Fossil Free Eugene**

is a coalition of local grassroots organizations calling for the end of fracked gas in Eugene, OR.

In 2014, the city of Eugene passed the Climate Recovery Ordinance (CRO) with bold targets set to reduce our consumption of fossil fuels and help prevent catastrophic climate change. Now, more than six years later, the city has done little to ensure that these goals are met.



Dylan Plummer, Cascadia Wildlands' Grassroots Organizer, addressing participants and attendees at the March 'Fossil Free Eugene' rally outside the offices of Eugene, Oregon's gas utility, Northwest Natural. Fossil Free Eugene is a coalition of over 25 organizations calling on the city of Eugene to follow through with the climate goals that it set for itself, and lead the way to forging a just transition away from fossil fuels for all of its residents (photo by Robert Scherle).

## 2021 Summer Legal Interns

With the generous support of the Evergreen Hill Education Fund of Oregon Community Foundation, Cascadia Wildlands has been able to expand our legal internship program and help cultivate future public interest environmental attorneys. This summer we warmly welcome this fine cohort.

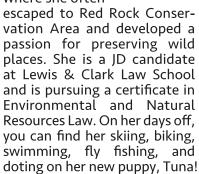
## Marty **Farrell**

Marty grew up just outside of Philadelphia and graduated

from Saint Joseph's University in 2017 with a degree in English Literature. After graduating, he worked in development and community relations at a shelter for people experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia. He moved to Eugene in the fall of 2020 to attend Oregon Law and pursue a career working for environmental justice. When he isn't working, you can find him listening to music while running roads and trails.

## Elie **Steinberg**

Elie spent her upbringing in Las Vegas, where she often



## **Danielle Curtis**

Danielle was born and raised on the Jersey coast,



Carolina where she attended UNC Chapel Hill as an undergrad. While at UNC, she worked with the National Park Service monitoring sea turtle nests on the Outer Banks, volunteered in Southeast Asia on sustainable agriculture projects, and studied the impacts of climate change for NASA. After graduating with a degree in environmental studies, Danielle spent a year at the Lawrence Berkeley National Lab. Completing her lap around the country, Danielle began law school at the University of Oregon in 2020. When she isn't buried under a mountain of textbooks. Danielle can be found in the actual mountains running lots of miles, experimenting with plant-based cuisine, or planning her next adventure.





IMAGES: **[1]** Wenaha Pack juveniles. Fall 2020 (photo by ODFW). **[2]** Giant trillium found in the N126 timber sale - Pucker Up Unit. May 11, 2021 (photo by Cascadia Wildlands). **[3]**, **[9]**, **[10]** Rally to Protect What's Left — opposition to post-fire clearcutting— in Salem. OR on May 6, 2021 (photo by Cascadia Wildlands). **[4]** Resin ducts, what remains of Douglas fir conifer needles after red tree voles have stripped away the part they eat (photo by Petrelharp CC BY-SA 3.0). **[5]** ODOT log deck, post-fire clearcutting



# Confronting the Clearcutting Proposed After the Labor Day Fires

by Rebecca White, Wildlands Director

What were you doing when the Labor Day fires of 2020 broke out? We were six months into a global pandemic, and many Oregonians were enjoying the unusually warm and dry weather with a little socially distant, masked, outdoor mingling. I recall exactly who I was chatting with at an impromptu block party on our street in Eugene, when we suddenly smelled smoke and noticed the sky had started to take on an eerie orange cast. Within minutes, the neighbors had all disappeared inside as the sun began to glow a deep red. The Holiday Farm Fire, which started to our east the night before, had roared into a 100,000-acre conflagration in the space of a few hours.

The following days were filled with shock and sadness, as we learned that the fire had taken a terrible toll on our communities in the McKenzie valley. We recognize that our community members here and across the state are still impacted by the fires. All told, somewhere around one-million acres of western Oregon burned in the 2020 wildfires, and recovery will be an ongoing process for years to come.

Oregonians have also been left with the question of what to do with all those burned forests along the western slope of the Cascades. Industrial timber companies have come up with their usual answer: clearcut. But what about the public forests, those managed for the people by the state and federal government? All too often, the agencies' answer has also been: clearcut.

A series of investigative pieces by some of our state's top journalists — and our own tracking of public lands logging proposed in the wake of the fires — have revealed a widespread pattern of inadequate (or absent) environmental reviews, "black-box" agency decision making, illegal logging plans, and outright fraud among state and federal agencies tasked with managing our public forests and roads. The agencies are operating under cover of "emergency" exemptions and 11th-hour Trump rollbacks to move these post-fire logging projects forward without the required public input. Some agencies, like the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), don't appear to have done any

environmental review at all; ODOT and its contractors have operated under Federal Emergency Management Agency emergency exemption provisions to clearcut massive swaths of Oregon's forested roadsides, many along designated Wild and Scenic Rivers, while siphoning off millions in federal recovery funds.



Edible morel mushrooms burst forth in post-fire landscapes. They live in the ground in a mycorrhizal relationship with conifer trees and their roots. While they are always there, they only bloom after a significant fire (photo by Cascadia Wildlands).



Native viola growing in the regenerating forest along Santiam Pass (photo by Cascadia Wildlands)

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ODOT's activities have prompted review by the state legislature, but the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the US Forest Service, and the Oregon Department of Forestry are all rushing out plans for massive clearcuts on public lands, too. Particularly egregious is the Roseburg BLM's Archie Creek Fire clearcutting plans, which target nearly 7,000 acres of mature forest above the famed North Umpqua River. The Clackamas, McKenzie and North Santiam are also under the gun.

The last thing our fire-adapted forests need is to be "salvage"

logged: nothing is being saved by clearcutting them. In fact, intact, post-fire forests are among the most under-represented — but extremely biodiverse and ecologically valuable — landscapes in western Oregon. That may seem counterintuitive when so much has burned, but the sad fact is almost all of our forests have historically been logged soon after burning.

For an example of natural post-fire recovery in action, check out the Santiam Pass where the Pacific Crest Trail winds through the footprint of 2003's B&B Complex fire.

Because of federal wilderness protections, some of the forest there remained unlogged after the fire. Now, 18 years later, you can visit this unique, critically valuable ecosystem providing specialized habitat for a wide array of wildflowers, birds, insects, and more - and by the way, storing most of the carbon that was held in the forest before it burned — while you admire the vigorous young trees that have started a new round in the natural cycle of Pacific Northwest forests. We'd like to see more of that.



## Cleaning up Trump's Mess in the Northwest

Coalition Pushing Back to Ensure Spotted Owl Protections Restored

by Bethany Cotton, Conservation Director

In the waning days of the Trump administration, the US Fish and Wildlife Service issued two distinct and entirely inconsistent decisions regarding the status of and protections for the northern spotted owl. Both undermine the owl's recovery and our ability to help the species. First, the administration determined that a petition to "uplist" the species from its current "threatened" status to "endangered" designation — which would increase the protections afforded to the owl - was "warranted but precluded" by other listing priorities. This is an unfortunate loophole in the **Endangered Species Act** allowing the agency to avoid increased protections even when the science demonstrates they are warranted.

The decision makes clear that the owl continues to decline toward extinction and needs additional protections. It also notes one of the primary threats to the northern spotted owl is ongoing fragmentation and destruction of its mature and old-growth forest habitat. Yet, the agency decided not to provide more safeguards.



Left: Juvenile northern spotted owl (photo by James Johnston) Right: Northern spotted owl (photo by USFWS).

Just three weeks later, the same agency issued a decision shrinking the designated "critical habitat" - areas deemed essential to the survival and recovery of the species by an enormous 3.4-million acres. The decision came as a shock as the draft rule had proposed shrinkage of a still ridiculous, vet orders of magnitude smaller, 200,000 acres. The drastic cuts to key protections for the owl are not supported by science, and are inconsistent with the agency's own conclusion that the owl needs more protections, not fewer. The decision also runs afoul of other **Endangered Species Act and** administrative law principles.

Cascadia Wildlands and our partners immediately sent a notice of intent to sue and

began preparing to challenge the rule. The Biden administration included the decision to decimate the owl's critical habitat protections in a list of Trump administration decisions it was reviewing, delayed its effective date and opened a new public comment period. In late March, we filed suit. As we go to press, the Biden administration has announced it is further delaying the effectiveness of the rule slashing critical habitat until December, giving the Fish and Wildlife Service time to revise or withdraw the rule. We will engage in that process to ensure remaining old growth stays standing, and that recently burned forests that the owl still uses are safeguarded from irresponsible post-fire logging proposals.

# ON THE DOCKET: Litigating to Safeguard Cascadia's Imperiled Species

by Nick Cady, Legal Director

Following President Biden's election in November, Cascadia Wildlands and partners have embarked on a legal campaign to roll back the Trump administration's efforts to undermine protections for numerous imperiled species across the Pacific Northwest. While some of these changes could be undertaken by the administration as part of its review of prior administration actions, legal action is necessary to ensure issues vital to the conservation community are addressed.



Top: Canada lynx (photo by USFWS). Bottom: Wolverine (photo by Kalon Baughan).

**WOLVERINE:** The US Fish and Wildlife Service had previously determined that the wolverine deserved federal protections under the Endangered Species Act because climate change was eliminating the spring snowpack which the species relies upon for denning and breeding. Best estimates suggest that around 300 individuals remain in the lower 48 states and they have been documented in Oregon's Wallowa Mountains in recent years. The Trump administration reversed its position without citing any studies or research. Represented by the Western Environmental Law Center, Cascadia Wildlands and co-plaintiffs filed suit in December 2020 to restore protections and region-wide conservation efforts at recovering this iconic species.

CANADA LYNX: For over a decade, the US Fish and Wildlife Service had been working on a recovery plan for the Canada lynx to facilitate population connectivity and address shifting habitat conditions resulting from climate change. These efforts were scrubbed by the Trump administration, and its agency head declared that the agency would remove the lynx from the list of threatened species. Represented by the Western Environmental Law Center, Cascadia Wildlands and partners filed suit against the Fish and Wildlife Service in December 2020 to compel the agency to complete its recovery planning efforts.

**RED TREE VOLE:** In 2011, the US Fish and Wildlife Service determined that the red tree vole deserved federal protections under the Endangered Species Act given dwindling amounts of old-growth habitat and increasing fragmentation of what little remained (see Critter Corner in this issue on page 3). This species has played an outsized role in helping protect the old forests of the Pacific Northwest. Under the Northwest Forest Plan, when tree-climbing surveyors with Northwest Ecosystem Survey Team would discover a vole nest over a hundred feet up in an old Douglas fir tree, the agency would have to place a 10-acre buffer around that tree to protect the area from logging. In 2019, the Trump administration reversed course, and determined that the red tree vole no longer deserved protections. Eager to protect this iconic species, Cascadia Wildlands and our allies at the Center for Biological Diversity filed suit in March 2021 to restore protections for the species.

## Making the Climate Case (continued from cover)

They have the potential to store more carbon than almost any other ecosystem on Earth, and we need to protect them with all the resources that certain billionaires put toward escaping to Mars or planning for dangerous, unproven geoengineering schemes. Forest protection is not a substitute for, but must occur in combination with, an end to burning fossil fuels.

With our partners and supporters, we have worked



Gabe Scott once said:

"We love them in their diversity for their own sake, and for deepening our immersion in the bright green world of Cascadia's ancient forests, and for the role they play in the big whole system, and also for who-knows-what valuable medicine or wisdom in our future."

And on top of all that truth, we also love our forests for helping cool the Earth. Research published by Oregon's own Beverly Law shows our region's temperate forests are the nation's biggest carbon sink. And in converse, Dr. Law has also shown that the timber industry is Oregon's largest emitter of greenhouse gases.

Now for some untruth: as you've no doubt seen, the timber industry frequently tries to convince the public that the fast-growing, young stands they've planted after clearcutting are best at sequestering carbon. As with so much of big timber's messaging, that's flatly wrong. Little trees just don't store much carbon. In fact, the largest 1% of trees store half the carbon currently contained in the world's forests. And sadly, the most disturbed forests in the world are here in the U.S., not in the Amazon, and not in Indonesia. All the more reason we should pressure our government for an immediate moratorium on

logging mature forests on public lands.

The Flat Country timber sale on the Willamette National Forest is the perfect opportunity for the new administration to make good on its climate mandate. Up along the clear, cool headwaters of the McKenzie River, in habitat for threatened bull trout and just along the edge of the Mount Washington Wilderness, the Forest Service is unbelievably planning to log 2,000 acres of mature and old-growth forests. Leading (and legendary) forest scientists Norm Johnson and Jerry Franklin, often referred to as the "architects of the Northwest Forest Plan," oppose this project. They even went so far as to put together a website explaining why proforestation is the right approach on the Willamette. According to Norm and Jerry:

"It is time to stop harvesting magnificent and irreplaceable older natural forests, such as those proposed for harvest in the Flat Country Project, once and for all. They are simply too uncommon in today's northwestern forest landscapes and contribute too much ecologically, socially, and spiritually as they are."

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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.

## 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.

Learn more/get started, contact:

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We look forward to seeing you again — for fun, friends, and philanthropy!

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