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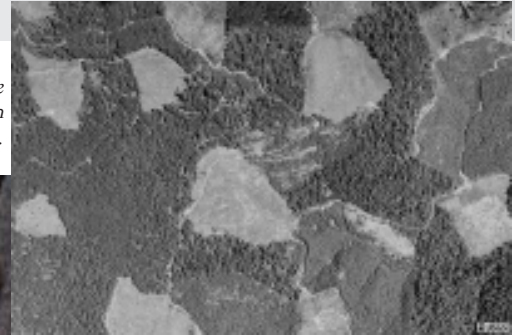
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A Visable History...

Aerial photo of O&C lands west of Roseburg-the checkerboard pattern of land ownership is visable in the differing management practices.



Umpqua Watersheds board member Mike Fisher explores the proposed East Fork Coquille timber sale in O&C land.

by: Francis Eatherington
Conservation Director

Tree huggers, sharpen your pencils! You have a very important letter to write regarding the protection of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land near your home.

The History...

You may have noticed that land around Roseburg and in most of western Oregon is in a checkerboard pattern. The BLM and the timber industry or other private landowners (maybe even you) own, and manage, alternating square miles of land. This land pattern is known as the "Oregon and California" (O&C) checkerboard. In the 1800's, the US government gave the Oregon and California Railroad every other

square mile of land in these areas to sell to homesteaders in order to finance a railroad.

In 1917, the government reclaimed the land in response to fraudulent land deals. In 1937, the "O&C Act" was passed to protect O&C lands. A progressive conservation act for its time it said, timber shall be "sold, cut, and removed in conformity with the principal of sustained yield for the purpose of providing a permanent source of timber supply, protecting watersheds, regulating stream flow, and contributing to the economic stability of local communities and industries, and providing recreational facilities." By the

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Our Mission...

Umpqua Watersheds is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to the protection and restoration of the watersheds in the Umpqua River Basin and beyond.

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There's no place like Home . . .

Dear Supporter,

This summer was a good time to witness protection in the Umpqua.

I didn't wear ruby slippers and I didn't end up in Kansas but my sandals and Oregon travels worked just fine to reinforce the need for our watersheds to get the attention to protection and restoration they deserve.

My trips up the Umpqua River, to the mountains, coast range and the ocean displayed the wild wonders that so many have protected for you and me.

I am humbled by each individual's sacrifice. The foundation conservationists built over the past decades in the Umpqua have made Umpqua Watersheds' goals more reachable.

In this issue of 100 Valleys you can read and take action to keep protection and restoration of our forests and rivers a primary focus.

Things that need to be done here at Home are:

Support Governor Kulongoski's protection of 100% of Oregon's Roadless Areas. Get rid of the Bush administration's Roadless Rule.

Take friends and family to the special places our Homes are close to, like Cougar Bluffs. Don't stop there – then take them to Fuller Lake, Donegan Prairie and Kentucky Falls.

Support Old Growth & Native Forest protection.

Get rid of harmful timber sales like East Fork Coquille, Cow Catcher & more.

Comment on the BLM's Western Oregon Plan Revisions.

Keep Oregon's Spotted Owl, Marbled Murrelet and endangered fish Reserves.

Support environmental laws that give us voice for our forests and rivers

Oppose harmful legislation that will say one thing and do another.

Umpqua Watersheds will keep you informed of new threats like Oregon's Senator Smith and Congressman Walden's idea to save our forests by cutting them down.

I am proud to be a conservation leader in Oregon and pleased to be able to share my protection hat with so many of you.

Sincerely,

Penny Lind, Executive Director

Would you like to stay more informed about events and issues in the Umpqua Watershed?

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Receive weekly emails regarding events, issues, action opportunities, and other updates.

**Email Nelli at:
nelly@umpqua-watersheds.org to sign up**

The East Fork Coquille Timber Sale Needs Your Comments

by: Francis Eatherington
Conservation Director



An Environmental Assessment (EA) has been completed for the East Fork Coquille timber sale, west of Roseburg, between Reston and Dora. Last year your comments helped the Coos Bay BLM reconsider logging the oldest of their forests. Your comments are needed again.

The BLM is considering two options: *Alternative 3* is BLM's "proposed" alternative which clearcuts forests up to 180 years old. *Alternative 2* considers clearcutting forests up to 420 years old. While we are glad *alternative 2* has less of a chance to be chosen, we need to tell the BLM it is not OK to clearcut old growth forests up to 180 years old.

BLM's proposed *alternative 3* would:

- clearcut 467 acres of forest up to 180 yrs old. (Not OK)
- thin 2,200 acres of young forests. (This is OK)
- build 6.7 miles of new roads. (Not OK)

Alternative 3 would log in the home ranges of 10 pairs of Northern Spotted Owls, and downgrade hundreds of acres of suitable murrelet nesting habitat.

The BLM is accepting comments up to their final decision. That means your comments need to be heard. Tell them:

- No logging in old forests. The BLM claims they are responding to your concerns by proposing not to log in forests over 180 years old. But these critically important old forests should be left alone to recover species that depend on the few old forests still left in the coast range.
- Provide for jobs, wood products and forest health by thinning in managed plantations, not by converting more native forests to fiber farms. Tell the BLM you like the thinning in their proposal.
- Roadbuilding is not healthy for watershed processes. Healthy Forests mean we should decommission in the maze of roads out there, not build more.

- Anything else you want to include to personalize your comments...tell your story!

Mail to:

Coos Bay BLM, Attn: Paul Leman
1300 Airport Lane
North Bend, OR 97459
Fax: 541-751-4303
Email: coos_bay@or.blm.gov

Court Upholds Protection for Old-Growth Forests

In August, a federal judge gave a huge victory to old-growth forests by stopping the Bush Administration from eliminating the "survey and manage" standard of the Northwest Forest Plan.

"This ruling is a victory for people who value government accountability to protect old-growth forests," said Pete Frost of the Western Environmental Law Center, who represented Umpqua Watersheds and other groups.

The Survey and Manage standard required agencies to survey forests for rare plants and wildlife before allowing logging or other destructive activities and, if found, to modify plans to buffer them from harm.

Without the standard, more than 50 species are at high risk of local extinction and would leave old-growth forests across western Oregon, western Washington, and northern California at greater risk from logging.

The case now moves to the "relief" phase, where Umpqua Watersheds will fight the timber industry's attempt to limit the reach of the ruling.

Western Environmental Law Center
Eugene, OR

THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who helped make
River Appreciation Day 2005

a huge success! It was truly a celebration of the river, its past, and its future.

Stay tuned for ways to get involved in planning for next year's 20th Annual River Appreciation Day!

From the President

Umpqua Watersheds continues to stand at the forefront in regards to protecting our beautiful and diverse watershed. With so many issues before us, it is increasingly difficult to maintain the focus on the issues which are so important to our native forests. As we grieve for those who have suffered losses in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, we must not lose our perspective for the larger issue, the health of the planet on which we live.

While we enjoy River Appreciation Day, participate in a hike, smile at the success of the youth campout, we must reflect on the importance of the work that UW and its staff confront on a daily basis. As we know so well, the loss of clean water is no small issue. The loss of our ancient forests to the chainsaw is irreplaceable. Salmon, owls, eels, people, intertwined.

In order to continue the work, your support is vital. UW is at a critical impasse. In order to pursue the invaluable task at hand, volunteers and monetary support are needed. We thank all of you for what you have given and continue to give.

UW will suffer losses, as with the North Umpqua Hydro Project. But the small steps forward that we make with our regional partners will ultimately add up to a priceless gain. Every old growth tree, every salmon, every drop of clean water saved is a time honored victory. Be proud to say you were a part of it.

Thank you,
Sally Browne
President, Umpqua Watersheds Board of Directors

Forest activist will be missed



Joan Norman, age 72, was killed in a car accident on July 23rd. Known as a dedicated forest activist, she will be missed as a fellow conservationist, friend and treasured family member by many.



Notice Something New?

Thank you to all who have contributed to 100 Valleys for the past eight years. For nearly a decade, you have helped to protect the rivers and forests of the Umpqua, Coos and Coquille River basins by keeping our membership informed.

To keep up with the changes in our communities, the Umpqua Watersheds' Outreach team is currently working to update the newsletter. Many of the changes you see in this 100 Valleys have been initiated by suggestions from our members. If you would like to contribute or see something new, please contact Nelli at 672-7065. We would love to hear your thoughts and suggestions!

CALLING ALL WILDERNESS ADVOCATES!

Umpqua Watersheds' members and wilderness adopters will be meeting once a month to brainstorm, organize and promote wilderness in the Umpqua National Forest. The environmental damage that could result from the Bush administration's repeal of the roadless rule is immense.

MEETINGS: Last Wednesday of every month 7pm @ Mcmenamins in Roseburg.
1st MEETING: Wednesday, Oct. 26th 7PM

QUESTIONS?

Call Robert Hoehne @ 679-7077 or Umpqua Watersheds @ 672-7065



A Visible History... (continued from pg. 1)

1980's, the protections section was forgotten while the BLM and timber industry worked quickly to convert forests to tree plantations. In response, conservationists tried to get the BLM to comply with the conservation provisions of the O&C Act. The battle was lost in an erroneous court ruling that found "exempting certain timber resources from harvesting to serve as wildlife habitat — is inconsistent" with the O&C Act.

But when fish and owls started to go extinct, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) proved critical in regulating the logging by creating the Northwest Forest Plan in 1994.

Industry sued, claiming the O&C lands served them alone. They lost when Judge Dwyer found the O&C Act allowed protections for wildlife. Industry appealed but their lawsuit went nowhere. For the last decade, BLM lands have been managed for a variety of purposes including watershed and stream flow protection, wildlife habitat, recreational activities and timber production.

However, when Bush came to power he resurrected the long dead lawsuit and made a backroom deal to "settle" and undo the Northwest Forest Plan, returning timber extraction to the dominant use of BLM forests. The BLM has now started the planning process to alter management of O&C lands in favor of logging at the expense of other forest values. To facilitate a return to unsustainable logging, the BLM is trying to remove most protections for old-growth forests and streamside corridors that have been in place for over a decade.

The settlement requires that the BLM's final decision, in 2008, be in compliance with the older court ruling, eliminating wildlife reserves "except as required to avoid jeopardy under the Endangered Species Act." This means that they can log until a species is on the very brink of extinction, with no provisions to recover healthy populations. The Bush Administration has already removed all depressed salmon runs in Douglas County from ESA protections, and they are now working on removing ESA protections for owls and murrelets. Moving in this direction would be a double blow for our jeopardized species.

Umpqua Watersheds supports ecologically sustainable forestry, such as thinning projects and other forest management activities that reduce the threat of forest fire to homes and property, but that is not where the timber industry wants the emphasis to be. Industrial forestry proponents are interested in returning to past logging levels and clearcutting healthy forests. You can

be sure that the timber industry will be well represented as the BLM begins revising its forest management plan. Please make sure your voices are heard too. For more talking points, see: www.oregonheritageforests.org

Write to:

Elaine Brong, BLM State Director
PO Box 2965, Portland, OR 97208
503/808-6627 Email: orwopr@or.blm.gov

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- Winston/Dillard/Green/Riddle (Bob Hoehne): 679-7077

For more info contact:

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Land Management.

Governor takes Action for Roadless Protection

by: Penny Lind
Executive Director

Umpqua Watersheds wants you to thank Governor Kulongoski for his strong support of Oregon Roadless Areas and all the resource values these areas represent.

The Governor's recent commitment takes him to the courthouse with other western state leaders to bring back the publicly and scientifically supported 2001 Roadless Rule and strike down the Bush administration's unreasonable and burdensome rule for all US states.

However, Umpqua Watersheds still remains concerned about 'no' petition for the 100% protection of Oregon's roadless areas. There are so many twists and turns the legal and administrative path can take and time, it seems, is never on the environment's side. A strong protection petition could guarantee Oregon's Roadless Areas a better chance.

Within the Umpqua's unprotected Roadless Areas, there are 22,000 acres that are in the matrix and

could open up to old fashioned, harmful logging practices before a resolution. Places like Mt. Bailey, and Cougar Bluffs.

Many people who live and work in the Umpqua have stood up for a strong Roadless Rule. It will be Umpqua Watersheds obligation to halt, delay or modify any harmful roadless area projects on our public lands during this uncertain time regarding roadless policy.

In addition, please let the Governor know that his strong protection voice of reason to the Oregon Department and Board of Forestry is very much appreciated. He does not want dollars only to dictate the future for Oregon's natural treasures he is responsible for.

Please send your thank you to: Governor Ted Kulongoski, 160 State Capitol, 900 Court St., Salem, OR 97301

To send email comments go to: http://www.governor.state.or.us/Gov/contact_us.shtml

Elliot State Forest Old-Growth Needs your Help!

by: Francis Eatherington
Conservation Director

You have an opportunity to help save old forests in the Umpqua and Coos watersheds by simply writing a letter. The managers of the 96,000 acre Elliott State Forest are considering an increase in logging. Oregon Department of Forestry is asking for your thoughts before October 21st.

The Forest Management Plan is a pre-cursor for federal permission to kill more threatened and endangered Marbled Murrelets and Northern Spotted Owls. About half of the Elliott is a 140-year-old native forest that is a haven to these endangered birds, as well as imperiled salmon.

Oregon wants to ramp up their logging program and therefor increase the associated displacement (likely starvation) of wildlife that lives in the older forests. The current plan allows logging of about 5,400 log trucks per year. The new plan will nearly double that over 30 years.

We don't know yet how many birds will be allowed to continue to live in the Elliott forest and how many may be forced to leave. Please, speak for wildlife that can't write letters themselves.



Email your comments to:
rfields@odf.state.or.us

Mail to:
Bob Fields
Coos District - OR. Dept. of Forestry,
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Coos Bay, OR 97420

Want to Buy a Cow?

by: Francis Eatherington
Conservation Director

The Forest Service is considering expanding cattle grazing around Tiller, to allow 1,903 cattle on 51,950 acres. While this number is below historical grazing, it could still be too much to allow past damages to heal. Cattle have degraded natural meadows and wet areas by congregating there, compacting soils, encouraging noxious weeds and silting up streams. Our tax money will subsidize the grazing of the four permittees.

The Forest Service says five years of monitoring have shown the permittees have fewer violations now. But only two monitoring reports were posted on the Umpqua NF's web site. In 2002 and 2003, monitoring was virtually eliminated because of fire related actions and expenses. The expansion of cattle grazing is based on the assumption that monitoring will limit damages; without considering that monitoring budgets are the first to go in a budget shortfall, and we can expect continuing shortfalls.

Even "legal" grazing is problematic. Tiller is "open range" so family farms interspersed in Forest Service



lands are forced to endure someone else's cattle in their yards. The families can get compensated for damages, but it's up to them to monitor the cattle and prove the damages. At least one of those families has voluntarily improved habitat for native turtles and frogs on their property. While the Forest Service offered to mitigate damages to these imperiled species on Forest Service land, they offered no help to families impacted by their decision.

One of the "Purposes" for expanding the Tiller grazing program is to maintain 'rural lifestyle and traditions'¹ for 4 permittees. To continue subsidizing this lifestyle, we pay at least \$28,400 annually to: administer the grazing program, conduct environmental studies, restore current and past grazing damages, and enforce laws. In exchange, the permittees will pay us back \$2,722, for an annual loss to the taxpayer of \$25, 678.

The Forest Service is proposing grazing on 9,334 acres of stream side (riparian) reserves² and in at least "20 miles of streams already listed as degraded by the Department of Environmental Quality." About a third of the grazing acres are also on land set aside as an old-growth reserve. Do you want your tax dollars to pay for this?

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and restore the
waters, lands and
wildlife of the mighty
Umpqua, Coos and
Coquille River basins.

Hold-up avoided in Shotgun Sale

by: Francis Eatherington
Conservation Director



Success
Story!

Thinning is taking place in the Shotgun Timber Sale after a historic negotiation between Umpqua Watersheds, Coos Bay BLM, and Tree Source Industries, the purchaser of the timber sale.

Shotgun thins in 40-year-old clearcuts that are designated as Spotted Owl reserves (Late Successional Reserves). When the Northwest Forest Plan designated reserves, many had already been clearcut and planted as fiber farms. The Shotgun sale thins some of these old clearcuts to re-set their trajectory to a more natural forest ecosystem. Umpqua Watersheds supports this type of restoration thinning. It is ecologically beneficial, and also helps provide wood products and jobs. These trees are valuable at mills that have modernized to accommodate small logs, like Tree Source Industries (aka Glide Lumber).

Initially, Shotgun was going to helicopter log areas where building new roads through the reserves would have to cut large trees and remove other natural forest components, the sale was originally designed to restore, not destroy. But late in the process the BLM changed the helicopter logging to road building, threatening the largest trees in the area. One of the proposed roads was in an area of instability that could cause "chronic maintenance concerns" in the soils above the Coos River.

Umpqua Watersheds appealed the road building to the Board of Land Appeals. Normally, this would delay the award of the sale for several months. We were surprised and pleased when the BLM responded that Tree Source Industries "indicated a willingness to modify the timber sale contract in order to eliminate the two roads at issue and change some of the harvest from cable and ground-based to helicopter."

On August 22, we met with Tree Source Industries and Coos Bay BLM. An agreement was quickly reached to

eliminate the building of the two roads in the old-growth reserve. In turn, we withdrew our appeal. Shotgun is currently being re-marked and the loggers are sharpening their saws, with our blessings.

How does Global Warming Effect You?

My friends:

Are you feeling listless and rundown?

Suffering from your own "Energy Crisis?"

Are you experiencing one too many 'sunny days'?

Is that special warmth you feel for you loved on a result of the temperature outside of you rather than inside?

Well, friends, these and other health problems could be due to global warming.

Dr. Catherine Thomasson, Board President of the Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility, will be making a free house call to Roseburg on Wednesday, October 26th at 7pm, in the Library's Ford Room. Dr. Thomasson's medical prognosis is powerful, yet simple: "We are what we heat."

Her presentation will cover the health effects of climate change regionally, nationally and globally. She has served on numerous advisory panels covering environmental and scientific issues including West Nile Virus.

So, friends, if you are in need of a magic elixir to cure what ails you, have we got a doctor for you! And if your symptoms are so severe, you can't wait till October 26th, call the *Douglas County Global Warming Coalition* at 672-9819.

We'll fix you right up!

*Stuart Liebowitz
Douglas County Global Warming Coalition*

Join Us! For our new

Community Connection Campaign

Eat lunch with Umpqua Watersheds staff and learn what's new in your organization. Luncheons will be held the 2nd Tuesday of every month at noon at Chi's Garden. The first get together will be on **November 8th**.

Disturbed by Smith/Walden Disturbance Ploy

Beware of the timber industry and promoters like Communities for Healthy Forests who would take away “careful planning” and “public voice” when making long-term decisions about your forests and rivers.

Oregon’s Senator Smith and Congressman Walden know better and should act in Oregon’s best interest where forest values are at risk. Instead they would develop legislation to undermine recovery after fire or storms.

These legislators, the timber industry and their promoters would have the public believe that no logging takes place after a fire or other disturbances. We know better.

During, and immediately after fires in the Umpqua massive log piles are taken to the mills. Multiple salvage sales in sites 200 acres or less (categorical exclusions) move forward quickly. Also most salvage sales that do not enter into wilderness, roadless, or reserve areas move forward without delay.

It is always the extreme plans to take live trees and enter into sensitive areas, like Bland Mountain and Limpy Creek, after fire that brings about controversy and delay.

Umpqua Watersheds, and the public consistently give high marks to clean water, fuel reduction around communities, restoration of soils and even future commodities but certainly not to the aggressive practices that salvage logging promoters’ support.

The apocalyptic results like cutting forests down to save them remains a lose lose proposition for the public and especially for our forests and rivers.

Tell your legislators to protect people first with fuel reduction projects within a reasonable range of homes and to protect forests second with plantation thinning where the largest disturbances have become a way of life that needs to be reversed. Make it clear that native and old growth forests are off the table.

Penny Lind, Executive Director

Gordon Smith

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Congressman Peter DeFazio

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email at website: <http://defazio.house.gov/emailme.shtml>

National Dunes Recreation Area

Umpqua Watersheds has been working closely with the Forest Service, Umpqua Lighthouse State Park and other organizations to protect a sensitive area in the Dunes Recreation Area. A fence (see picture below) was recently built to keep ATV’s out, now it is time to take action to remove invasive plants.

Watch in the coming months for opportunities to get involved in a scotchbroom pull and other activities in this collaborative restoration effort.



Umpqua Watersheds STAFF

On behalf of the Umpqua and beyond, I am pleased to introduce you to Nelli Williams, Umpqua Watersheds NEW Outreach Campaign Coordinator.

Nelli comes to the Umpqua by way of the mid-west, Alaska, Ashland and Springfield, Oregon. She brings a wealth of background and experience working in communities to organize and inform people to meet environmental challenges and develop solutions. Umpqua Watersheds is fortunate to put her skills to work in the Umpqua.

Nelli has launched her first month at Umpqua Watersheds with hikes, event planning, 100 Valleys and conservation actions.

Please join me to welcome Nelli, our NEW Outreach Campaign Coordinator to our beautiful watershed as Umpqua Watersheds launches its Community Connection Campaign to keep conservation supporters informed and connected once a month on the second Tuesday at noon at Chi’s Garden, 528 SE Stevens in Roseburg. Our first get together will be:

Date: November 8th

Time: Noon

Place: Chi’s Garden

Welcome to the Umpqua Nelli!

Penny Lind, Executive Director

Finding a Sense of Place

A local look into the Umpqua, Coos and Coquille Watersheds



The famous Steamboat Creek holds a special place in many people's hearts. Whether panning for gold or soaking in its beauty, for Corrine McTaggart it is a place that she feels rich.

An interview with
Corrine McTaggart

Life on the Umpqua...

Looking back with a long-time resident

Many changes have occurred in the land of the Umpqua River...and Corrine McTaggart, long-time Roseburg resident, has been witness to them.

For Corrine, moving to the Roseburg area in the 1930's as a 10-year-old was a grand adventure. With a father dedicated to teaching his daughter about the land he loved and helped manage as an early supervisor of the Siuslaw National Forest, Corrine grew up "in the forests and along the river banks" of the Umpqua River. From an early age, she knew landmarks of the area by name and had visited many of them on family camping trips. She also realized the importance of rivers as providers of drinking water, food and recreation.

Some of her best memories took place on the North Umpqua. She fondly remembers panning for gold in Steamboat Creek as a youngster...thinking they had struck it rich when they found a few flakes. A favorite past time of the area kids was to find out where celebrities' favorite campsites were. A highlight? Seeing Zane Grey and noticing he always had fishing flies stuck in the band of his hat. With a smile and sparkle in her eye she proudly recalls climbing to the top of Mt. Thielsen when she was only 12. This adventure left her in awe of the amazing geology of the area...a topic she is still mesmerized with today.

Although many changes have taken place since Corrine was a young girl, she is still drawn to the magnetic beauty of the area. More people have moved here, the land and its management agencies have changed; it is sometimes hard to find a 'sense of community.' But she says that community-based organizations like Umpqua Watersheds help to re-establish the sense of community she remembers so well from her childhood.

Whenever she can, Corrine still takes the opportunity to experience the treasures that flourish in the lands and sparkling waters of the Umpqua River. Her advice to current and future generations living in the watershed: "Explore, learn and enjoy!"

Do you have a story to share?

We would like to hear from you! The Umpqua, Coquille and Coos Watersheds are special to all of us. Please help others discover a sense of place here by sharing what makes your home a treasure. Send your stories to us by email or mail...see pg 2 for addresses. Your story may be featured in our next newsletter!



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Fall 2005 Events and Hikes

October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Hike Mt. Thielsen
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 Concert Mare Wakefield	17	18	19	20	21	22 Hike Fungus Among Us
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 <i>Happy Hallo ween!</i>					

October 1 - Climb Mount Thielsen

Saturday, climb the *tallest peak* in the Umpqua watershed and enjoy the grandest views of southern Oregon. From its height of 9,182 feet one can see down INTO the crater of Crater Lake National Park! Hikers will meet behind the Douglas County Courthouse at **8am**, the Glide Ranger Station at **8:30am** or the Thielsen trailhead #1456 at **10am**. Come prepared with hiking boots, water, a backpack, lunch, rain gear and layers (it may be chilly!). **Difficulty: Most difficult** Please call Umpqua Watersheds to reserve a spot!

October 16 - CONCERT: Mare Wakefield

As a magnetic singer/song writer and charming person, Mare has delighted crowds all over the country. She'll be back in the Umpqua on Sunday October 16th to entertain us with her captivating talent. A gourmet desert bake sale will also be held so bring your sweet tooth! Sponsored by UCC and UW.

October 22 - A Fungus Among Us

Saturday, join Umpqua Watersheds on our 5th Annual fall mushroom outing. Local mushroom expert, Geoff Niles will guide us as we explore the wonders of fungi. An I.D. and gathering session will be included in the hike. Folks should come prepared with raingear, basket/bucket, knife, whistle and compass. Carpool will meet behind Douglas County Courthouse at **9am**. **Difficulty: Beginner**

November

Su	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Wilderness Slideshow	3	4	5
6	7	8 Cooking w/ Conscience	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Hike: E. Fork Coquille
20	21	22	23	24 Happy Thanksgiving!	25	26
27	28	29	30			

November 2 - Wilderness Slide Show

Enjoy a virtual trip through the beautiful ancient forests of the Umpqua. Visit the remaining roadless areas, home to wildlife, fish and old growth forests - peaceful places for people to connect with our natural wild world. The show will be held at the **Phoenix School** on Diamond Lake Blvd, (Hwy 138 east of Roseburg). FREE admission - Bring a friend!

November 8 - Cooking with Conscience

Looking to liven up your holiday feasts? Join local chefs in a hands-on workshops featuring holiday appetizer/desert combos. Save time and add diversity to your holiday festivities! Cost: \$35 (includes samples, recipes, & demonstration) Sign up by calling 541-672-7065. Will be held at the 1st Presbyterian Church in Roseburg from 6-8:30pm.

November 19 - East Fork Coquille Timber Sale Hike

Discover the wonders of a little-known treasure within the East Fork Coquille Timber Sale. You will see first hand the differences between land management practices, become more aware of what is happening on your public land and get to see some huge trees! Meet at the Douglas Cty. Courthouse at 9:00am or at the Lookingglass Store at 9:30am.

December 3 - Famous Fir

Take a moderate hike down a beautiful trail to a world famous Doener Fir. Umpqua Watersheds' staff will share some of the lore behind this majestic tree. Meet at the Douglas Cty. Courthouse at 9:00am or at the Lookingglass Store at 9:30am.

December 11- CONCERT: David Lanz

Join Umpqua Watersheds in welcoming Grammy award winning musician David Lanz to the Umpqua! The concert will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Roseburg. For more information call 672-7065.



December

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Th	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Hike: Famous Fir
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Concert D. Lanz	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 <i>Merry Christmas!</i>	26 <i>Happy Hanukkah!</i>	27	28	29	30	31