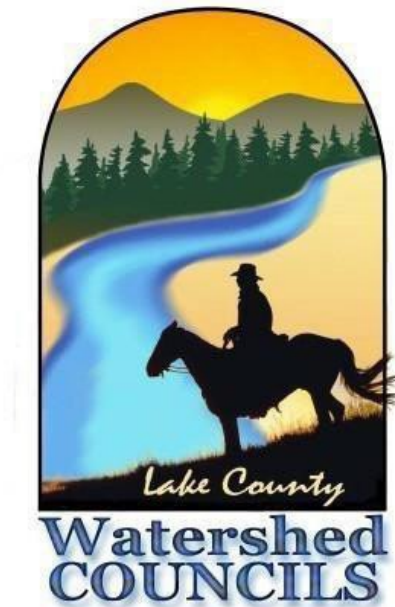


Q 4 LCUWC REPORT

December 2023



UPLANDS: PROJECT STATUS REPORT

AWARDED GRANTS

PROJECT TITLE	STATUS Q4	OUTLOOK 2024 Q1
Thomas Creek Forest Health Mapping and Inventory TA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final project allocated and completed Completion Report submitted 	
Summer Lake Wildfire Risk Reduction Restoration (USFS -RAC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion Report submitted 	
Mini FIP Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final project allocated Flagged and contracts set up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor and invoice Submit Completion report
Mini FIP Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All projects allocated Some projects completed, some ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flag and GPS Monitor and invoice
Prescribed Fire TA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LO meetings and site visits Burn plans in process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete burn plans Hold workshop Submit completion report
Prescribed Fire RAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wait for Rx TA progress and then use RAC funding to implement burns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hire contractors to conduct burns
County Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invoice as needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invoice as needed
Summer Lake Wildfire Risk Reduction Restoration (BLM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hire new contractor to finish up last of piles Inspect and invoice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit Completion report
South Warner TA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LO maps in progress 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create full LO binders Hold LO workshop Mail out binders
2021 Post Fire Recovery (OWEB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aerial and ground herbicide application completed Finalized several polygons for contour and fence felling One contract established and ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remaining projects on hold over winter
Mule Deer Enhancement Goose Lake Basin (ODFW)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awarded (\$200,000) Allocate funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start to plan bid tours
NRCS IRA funding through Wallowa Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awarded (\$215,000) Created Scope of Work Signed agreement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit Invoice #2

UPLANDS: PROJECT STATUS REPORT

FUTURE GRANT APPLICATIONS

PROJECT TITLE	STATUS Q4	OUTLOOK 2024 Q1
LCALRI FIP (OWEB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Final meetings with partnersSubmitted application (\$12 million)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Await review interviewAwards announced in April 2024
Summer Lake All Lands (BLM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BLM wants the other grant completed firstThen will award during next fiscal year(\$300,000)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Await award announcement
Summer Lake Slash Management Restoration (OWEB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Submitted application (\$191,825)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Virtual Review 1-3-24Awards announced in April 2024
SB762 (ODF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Unsuccessful	
CWDG	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Review grant eligibilityUnable to apply due to CWPP status	



Pre-cut looking north 9-25-23



Post-cut looking north 10-23-23

SMALL GRANT – PROJECT STATUS REPORT

PROJECT TITLE	STATUS Q4	OUTLOOK 2024 Q1
Drake Creek Upland Enhancement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Contractor hired	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Project initiation will occur in the spring
Zarozinski Upland Enhancement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Contractor hiredPre-project monitoringProject initiated and ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Continue to inspect and ensure objectives are met



Stream and Riparian

Warner Basin

Project	Status
Town Assessment	Exploring 3rd party monitoring with AWID and WBAHP.
Deep Creek O'Keeffe Diversion Fish Passage	Installation of baffles IN PROGRESS. Will close out project in Decemember.
Warner Sucker Effectiveness Monitoring	Working on Agreement with ODFW to complete monitoring on the O'Keeffe Diversion in spring of 2024. Need to determine if 3rd party monitroing is wanted for this part of not.
Deep Creek Givans Diversion Fish Passage Phase II	Water right transfer paperwork is packaged. Waiting on water users to approve.
Twenty-mile Creek MC Diversion	Working on scope of work and budget. RDG will revisit and provide the partners with alternatives this winter.
Camas Creek Beaver Dam Analogs	Walked and planned out project on Nov. 16th for a phase II implementation in 2024. - See photos
Lake County EQIP Flood Irrigation	Waiting for invoices from DU. Will close out by Dec. 15



Camas Creek Spring 2023 (left) and Fall 2023 (right)

Stream and Riparian

Abert /Summer/ Silver Lake Basin

Project	Status
Upper Chewaucan Watershed Assessment	SIA Team has decided to pursue a WaterSMART BOR grant for planning and design based on information gained from the assessment.
Strategic Implementation Area Water Quality Study (SWCD Grant)	Members from the SIA Team met with ODA, other SWCD's, and OWEB in November to discuss our SIA work and progress. Water quality monitoring continues through 2024 with Riane being contracted to support through the SWCD.
Chewaucan River Streambank Stabilization	Landowner/manager would like to close out project due to archeology concerns. Will work to extend agreement for another year as we work through the cultural resource issues.
Campbell Mill Wetland and Aspen Enhancement	Contracted work. Project delayed until 2024. Problems with archeology. Will work with USFS to extend agreement.



Picture of Riane doing the water quality monitoring on the Chewuacan in Nov. 2023



Riane, Fara, and ODA staff collecting water quality samples in Nov. 2023 before our Lakeview meeting.

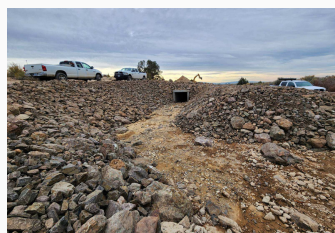
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Goose Lake Basin

Project	Status
Muddy Creek Fish Passage Phase II	Construction in progress and nearing completion! - See Photos
Cox Creek Fish Passage and Screening	Site 2 complete - low water crossing installed in Oct. - See Photos
Cottonwood Creek Fish Habitat Enhancement	2024 Implemenation planned
Cougar Peak Patton Meadow Post Fire Restoration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pine Creek - Complete • Willow Creek - Complete • Muddy Creek - Complete • Messman Creek - Complete • Camp Creek - 1 of 2 crossing installed. - See Photos
Drews Creek Fish Passage and Stream Restoration	Awarded and OWEB agreement signed! Seeking match funds.
Three Creeks Low Tech Process Based Restoration	Cross fence planned and materials ordered.
Goose Lake Water Conservation Feasiblity Study	Feild data complete. Fish passage and screening accessed this fall.



Muddy Creek Phase II Implemenation Oct. 2023



Camp Creek Crossing Replacement Oct. 2023

Cox Creek Crossing Replacement Oct. 2023

Stream and Riparian

Small Grants

OWEB Small Grant Team (SGT) award for \$100,000 has a fully signed agreement for 2023 - 2025. Contracted staff met to prioritize the list of 10 small grant projects on the list. Riane has taken the lead on the small grant projects and working on project development.

Project	Status
Crooked Creek Streambank Stabilization	Complete
Hampton Creek Riparian Fence	Developed - lower priority
Drews Creek off-channel water development	Site Visit Nov 28th
Thomas Creek restoration	Site Visit Nov 28th



Crooked Creek Streambank Stabilization Project: Before photos Aug. 2023 (left) / After photos Oct. 2023 (right)

Stream and Riparian

Projects Development

Project	Status
Thomas Creek/Cox Flat Stage Zero Restoration	Project proposal submitted. OWEB Site Visit and Review in December. - See Photos
Cogswell Creek Fish Screens	Discussed with ODFW fish screen shop and ODFW will place project on list for a cost share. We will wait until they are ready to move forward on the project before we pursue match funds. ODFW will provide the design and screen.
Lake County LTPBR Stakeholder Engagement	Project proposal submitted. OWEB review is scheduled for January.
Upper Chewaucan Watershed Planning and Design Project	SIA Team agreed WaterSmart BOR grant. \$3 - \$20 million available per project. The Watershed Assessment was developed to lead into on the ground restoration actions and may align perfectly with this funding opportunity.
Town of Lakeview Water Concerns	Looking at different grant funding avenues to support their concerns.
Goose Lake Watershed Fish Passage Project FY24 Funding Bil	Submitted a letter of intent to USFWS for \$3 million to be directed towards current fish passage projects in the Goose Lake Basin. We will wait to determine if reviewers select the project for a full grant proposal.



Thomas Creek on the upper end of Cox Flat. This is a desired condition of a stage zero project where the flow is not confined to the channel during high flow events.

EDUCATION & OUTREACH

2023 Q4 Report



SOCIAL MEDIA

Followers as of 11/27/2023

- Facebook = 374 Likes, 414 Followers (5.6% increase)
- Instagram = 270 Followers (28% Increase)

Website:

- 3,009 visitors in the last 12 months, 168 in the last 30 days

OUTREACH

Klamath Lake Forest Health Partnership

- Assist with Outreach - Social Media & Articles

Small Grant Program

- Brochure, Social Media Content & Website

Articles in the Lake Co. Examiner

Small Grant Project Development

Step 1

Contact LCUWC to schedule a visit to the potential project site.

Step 2

The LCUWC develops and submits application of project to Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB).

Step 3

If approved, there is a **two-year** timeframe to implement project. LCUWC remains involved throughout project.

Step 4

When project is complete, LCUWC inspects project and completes final report. Landowner and/or contractors are reimbursed at this time.

Step 5

Two years post-project, LCUWC completes monitoring report.

Get in touch!

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Small Grant Program

Forest Health Treatment

Who does the work of a small grant project?

The landowner may choose to do the work themselves or LCUWC can find a suitable contractor to do the labor.



Lake County Umbrella
Watershed Council

EDUCATION

Lakeview HS Field Bio Field Trip (Oct.)

- Site Visits: Muddy Creek & Cottonwood Creek
- Rotations: Building BDA's, finding Macroinvertebrates & Native Fish with Justin Miles

Outdoor School

- Seeking feedback from teachers about grade levels to focus on



FINANCE & PARTNERSHIPS

AT A GLANCE

- NRCS Funding Agreement
- ODF Donation
- Brian Mayer Memorial Donation
- Process invoices and fund requests twice monthly.
- Ongoing collaborations with partners.
- 1099 and Annual Financials
- Action Plan Update
- Annual Report

Finance

General Fund balance as of November 27, 2023:
\$325,963.50

Sum of Active Grant Funds Awarded:
\$8,372,394.83

Sum of Other Funds in Bank Account:
\$36,235.11

Partnerships

- **Chewaucan Watershed Collaborative-** Paisley meeting for PLAC December 6-7
- **Lake County Cooperative Weed Management Area-** No updates.
- **Klamath Lake Forest Health Partnership-**Continued meetings, Riane providing outreach support
- **Lake County SWCDs-** Re-applied for Chewaucan Working Wetlands TA funding.
- **Network of Oregon Watershed Councils-** Summer Lake tour, Autumn resignation
- **Chewaucan SIA-**Recent partnership meeting, Riane providing sampling support
- **Warner Basin Aquatic Habitat Partnership-** Meets quarterly.
- **Oregon Desert Land Trust-**No updates.
- **Oregon Department of Forestry-** No updates.
- **Oregon Prescribed Fire Collaborative-** No updates.
- **Intermountain West Joint Venture-** Hiring a Partner Biologist in Lake County.