



# ***Nestucca, Neskowin & Sand Lake Watersheds Council***

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## **2011 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

### **STREAMSIDE PLANTING**

Between July 2010 and September 2011, NNWC worked with 9 landowners to plant 21 acres along 1.5 stream miles and maintained 48 acres along 10 stream miles. Focus streams were Beaver Cr., Three Rivers, and the Nestucca River.

### **STREAM RESTORATION**

July - August 2011 – The Council added 64 large logs at seven sites along 1 mile of Farmer Creek, tributary to the Nestucca River. Installing large woody debris will develop the deep, complex pool habitat necessary to improve rearing habitat limitations as identified by the Council.

October 2011 – The Council and partners are pushing ahead to replace in 2012 a large culvert on Farmer Creek Road. Construction on this \$750,000 project will be overseen by Tillamook Co. Public Works. The Council submitted an application in Dec. 2011 for the final funding piece of this project.

The Council continues to examine design options for the dam removal project on Farmer Cr. The project ran into extra costs required by OWEB for the latest design so work was deferred. We have funding and are making the case to OWEB staff to allow design changes to achieve the same outcomes of improved juvenile fish passage and a fish-friendly water diversion.

### **TREE & SHRUB NURSERIES**

The Council operates its Native Plant nursery at Nestucca Valley Elementary School. 1000 plants propagated by the 2010 classes (from both Nestucca and Neskowin schools) are in the Nursery and will be re-potted in 2012. NNWC and Neskowin Valley School continue to make that smaller nursery focus on native shrubs for education and cuttings for project planting.

### **CLEAN UP**

In March 43 volunteers cleaned up over 1,880 pounds of debris from Nestucca Bay. A big Thank You to our volunteers!

### **EDUCATION/OUTREACH**

Streamside plantings with kids (2), Plant propagation classes (2), Children's Clean Water Festival, Down By The Riverside events all with local elementary students. Over 90 students and 21 adults participated. The Council staffed a booth again at Dory Days Marine Fair. Council meetings with public speakers included Effective Salmon Conservation in Russia, the Nestucca Water Trail, and on community-owned forestry.

### **NOXIOUS WEED REDUCTION**

The Council implemented a Knotweed Containment & Control Project along Slab Creek road this year.

**OVER \$123,000 in work brought into Tillamook County.**

**POSITIVE IMPACTS to**

**STUDENTS, CONTRACTORS, VOLUNTEERS, LAND, FISH & WATER**