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The Newsletter of the Oregon Dunes Restoration Collaborative September 2022

NEWS:

Have you been wanting to join the Oregon Dunes
Restoration
Collaborative
(ODRC) for one of our volunteer weed pulls? There's still time this season. We have a few more events planned before the events



stop for winter break. See "Upcoming Events" below.

 We are excited to announce that our collaboration with McKenzie River Trust will be taking place October 1st. See "Upcoming Events" below for more information. For this event we are asking for anyone that would like to volunteer to pre-register due to limited tool supplies.

Upcoming Events:

• Volunteer work party Saturday September 24th at 10 AM.

This event will take place at Oregon Dunes Day Use Area. We will pull and cut scotch broom for two hours. The work party will begin at 10 AM and go until noon. Bring water, a snack, sun protection, and good walking shoes. Basic hand tools will be provided.

Directions:

From Florence travel south on Highway 101 for about 12 miles. Look for signs for "Oregon Dunes Day Use Area". It will be on your right (West side of the highway) From Reedsport or South, travel north on Highway 101 for about 11 miles. Look for signs for "Oregon Dunes Day Use Area". It will be on your left (West side of highway) We will meet in the main parking area.

Volunteer work party with McKenzie River Trust Saturday October 1st at 10 AM. This event will take place at Oregon Dunes Day Use Area. We will work on removing scotch broom for two hours. Anybody interested is invited to join in an after work party guided hike. We will hike through the Oregon Dunes and see a "ghost forests" and seasonal wetlands. Please pre-register at McKenzie River Trust. You can also email us or find out more information on our website at https://www.saveoregondunes.org/events/.

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Volunteer of the Month: Armand Rebischke

We'd like to thank volunteer of the month Armand Rebischke. Armand is a member of the Oregon Dunes Restoration Collaborative and has joined us for many volunteer weed pulls this season. We appreciate all the hours Armand has dedicated to the ODRC this season. Armand often teaches us about native plants in the area and has been a great help this season. Thank you Armand!



Volunteer Armand Rebischke is our volunteer of the month. Armand stands with a pile of pulled scotch broom that he helped remove at John Dellenback for our August work party.

Volunteering- There's still time this season to volunteer at one of our weed pull events. Events are planned to continue through October and then we will break for winter. Learn how to become involved by following us on Facebook or signing up on our website at www.saveoregondunes.org. Weed pulls usually last for about 2 hours. There are plenty of ways to be involved with the ODRC. Contact us for more information.

For more information, or if you are interested in joining any of our working groups, <u>email us here.</u> We would love to have your help!

Short Film- Saving the Oregon Dunes. Oregon's central coast is home to the largest expanse of coastal sand dunes in North America. Home to hundreds of native bird and plant species, this unique landscape is a favorite for locals and thousands of visitors each year.

Unfortunately, non-native grass and plants were introduced to the landscape in an effort to stabilize the moving sand and protect roads and other infrastructure. These invasive species now threaten to overtake the remaining open sand. The Oregon Dunes Restoration Collaborative (ODRC) formed in an effort to protect this national treasure.

We hope you all enjoy this 7-minute video that dives deep into the the dune's history, and the origins of the ODRC. We encourage everyone to share this video broadly!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZVx2dNTjywA

Donating to the Oregon Dunes Restoration Collaborative

The ODRC accepts donations via PayPal! Donate to our fiscal sponsor, Cascade Pacific Resource Conservation & Development, to contribute towards ODRC fundraising efforts. Forward this email or share the link on social media to encourage others to support the efforts of the ODRC.

Your contribution, no matter how big or small is crucial in the struggle to restore and preserve Oregon's beloved coastal sand dunes.

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