

# *John Day Watershed Restoration Program*

**Established 1998**

The Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon John Day Watershed Restoration Program has a long history of working on public and private lands for watershed conservation and restoration actions in the John Day Basin. This Program strives to ensure the integrity and health of aquatic ecosystems so that these watersheds support healthy, self-sustaining populations of culturally important aquatic species, including Chinook salmon, steelhead trout, bull trout, and Pacific lamprey. Through collaboration with landowners, multiple private, state and federal entities, implementation of this voluntary Program focuses on improving fish passage, fish habitat, water quantity, and water quality in an ecosystem context.

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*Our mission statement is to protect, manage, and enhance habitat that supports culturally significant fish populations for the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon.*

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**Objectives:**

- Maintain and restore high quality aquatic habitat to support harvestable fish populations;
- Ensure access to these populations for the tribal membership;
- Foster partnerships to achieve holistic watershed scale benefits; and
- Demonstrate a conservation ethic that supports multiple use and harmony in rural communities with natural resource based economies.



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