



How to get involved in the North Santiam Watershed Council

Our Mission:

Provide opportunities for stakeholders to cooperate in promoting and sustaining the health of the watershed and its communities.

The North Santiam Watershed Council (NSWC) was formed in 1995 and recognized by Marion and Linn Counties in 1998. As volunteers, we take action to help increase public awareness and participation in the watershed council and its activities. We also provide needed information, collaborative partnership and stakeholder engagement in order assist in helping protect and improve the health of the watershed and the communities within. Such actions include convening and leading efforts for Drought Contingency Planning, creating, and maintaining Partners of the North Santiam collaborative with a Resiliency Action Plan, and report on the Economic Value of Water with further follow-through to involve community stakeholders. We also work to provide opportunities for landowners to restore their land and improve conservation and habitat for fish and wildlife. The NSWC is a non-advocacy, non-governmental, community-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

The North Santiam Watershed (NSW) is a large tributary within the Willamette River Basin located between the Cascade Range and the Coast Range of the Willamette Valley in Oregon. The North Santiam River flows approximately 100 stream miles, draining an area of approximately 766 square miles (almost 500,000 acres). Its headwaters, or where the river begins, are located in the central Oregon Cascades, much of which is part of the Willamette National Forest on the western slopes between the iconic Mount Jefferson and Three-Fingered Jack. The North Santiam River meets the South Santiam River just east of Jefferson, OR. It's confluence with the Willamette River at the Willamette Valley Floor just north of Albany, OR which flows northward towards City of Salem. The North Santiam River is a high-quality water source that provides a number of economic, tribal, and ecological value thus emphasizing the importance of this resource.





NORTH SANTIAM
WATERSHED COUNCIL

Involvement Interest Form

1.) Contact Information

Name: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Best Way to Be Contacted: Email Phone Both

2.) How would you like to be involved?

Volunteer for Projects (kinds of work you want to be involved with?)

General Member - Open to anyone with an interest in the North Santiam Watershed.

General Member with interest in being a non-voting Committee Member (which committee interests you? Finance, Governance, Fundraising, Projects, Education)

Technical Advisor (What is your expertise?)

Board Member (Attend monthly meetings and have a voting responsibility)

1. Of our key initiatives that guide our projects to impact the health of our community, what are your interests in the North Santiam Watershed?

- Flow Restoration and Source Water Protection
- Enhancement of Aquatic and Riparian Habitat
- Oak and Prairie Restoration
- Woodland and Meadow Restoration

2. What are your interests in the Watershed Council and in becoming a Board Member?

Current Board committees include executive, governance, and finance. We are planning to create committees for community engagement, fundraising and education. Therefore, we are specifically seeking individuals with experience, expertise or an interest in these areas. Please share your interest and experience:

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