

Lewis County Stream Team

Promoting education
and conservation



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The purpose of the Stream Team is to provide hands-on opportunities for the Lewis County Community to participate in stewardship and citizen science to improve the health of local streams and habitats. The goal is to partner with local teachers and students, agencies, and citizen volunteers to offer educational activities that strengthen public interest in the environment.





Once a Doubter, Adna Property Owner Turns to Conservation and Fish Advocacy



“For me, I think people don’t realize that salmon are in their backyard. We’ve not communicated it well enough. There is no signage on any of these streets that say this is a salmon passage.”

“We’re not communicating, and I just think that people would treat the environment where the salmon were much better if they knew they were there. I know I did.”

-Bob Russell, The Chronicle 1.28.22



Mill Creek



Wisner and Mill Creek Nature Walk

September 29th, 2021



Joining her parents, local resident Claire Kuykendall, planted a willow stake. “I am excited to see how beavers have changed the creek and the different wildlife the area now supports,” said Claire.

Lewis Talk Article, October 19, 2021



- Three staffed stations with presentations on:
 - Beavers as ecosystem engineers
 - Coho salmon in the Chehalis River Basin
 - Managing stream restoration projects

PC: Kathy Jacobson, Chehalis Basin Lead Entity

Veteran Conservation Corps Stream Team Internship

“This internship has allowed me to develop my interests after life in the military and connect me to wilderness and to local communities,” said Vanessa Leigh.





**At the first tree planting event on February 12th
16 volunteers planted almost 500 willows and cedars**



Pictured: Volunteers from GCR Tires – we love teaming up with local businesses!





Tree planting on Mill Creek on April 2nd



8 volunteers planted 89 potted trees, 50 willow stakes, 30 bare root cedars



< Before: Old cow pasture, no riparian buffer along Mill Creek



After: Native trees along stream >

Exciting update! Buds on the willows from Stream Team event in February



Future Events

- Earth Day Event at Borst Park with Lewis County Noxious Weed Board, April 23
- Migratory Fish Day at Chehalis Discovery Trail, May
- Prairie Appreciation Day with Grays Harbor Stream Team, May
- Working with schools

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY

With Lewis County Noxious Weed Control, Centralia City Parks, and Lewis County Stream Team

**Saturday, April 23rd
10 AM - 3 PM**

Join us in our efforts to preserve the positive landscaping changes that have been made at Fort Borst Park by the Borst Arboretum and Master Gardener groups. Learn about noxious weeds and riparian zone management from professional guest speakers, take part in removing invasive Italian arum and replanting native species. There will be lots of plants leftover for volunteers to take home. Snacks and tools for use will be provided. This is a great opportunity to see the changes at the park, connect with your community and give back to the environment for Earth Day 2022.



WHERE:

Fort Borst Park
2030 Borst Ave
Centralia

WHEN:

Saturday
April 23rd
10am to 3pm

WHAT TO BRING:

A shovel or trowel
(if you have one)
Work gloves
(if you have them)
Long sleeves and boots



Thank you to Buds and Blades
Landscape Company for donating
native plants to this project!

Lewis County Stream Team is funded through the Office of Chehalis Basin.
Contact Kenna.Fosnacht@Lewiscdwa.com to join the Stream Team mailing list.

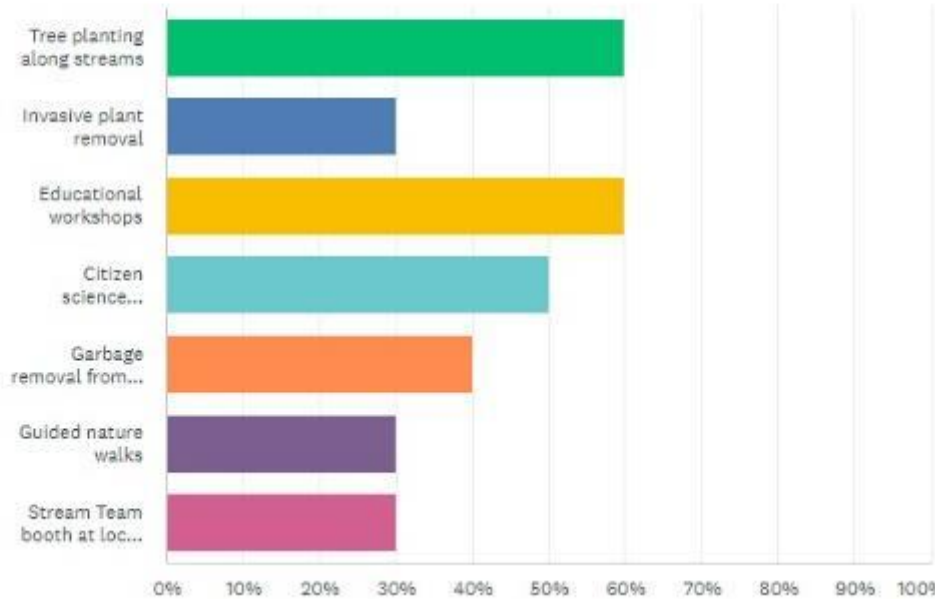
Have any questions or want to sign up to volunteer? Reach out to Lewis county Noxious Weed Control at Weeds@Lewiscountywa.gov or call us at 360-740-1218



Q1

What type of Stream Team activities would you participate in?

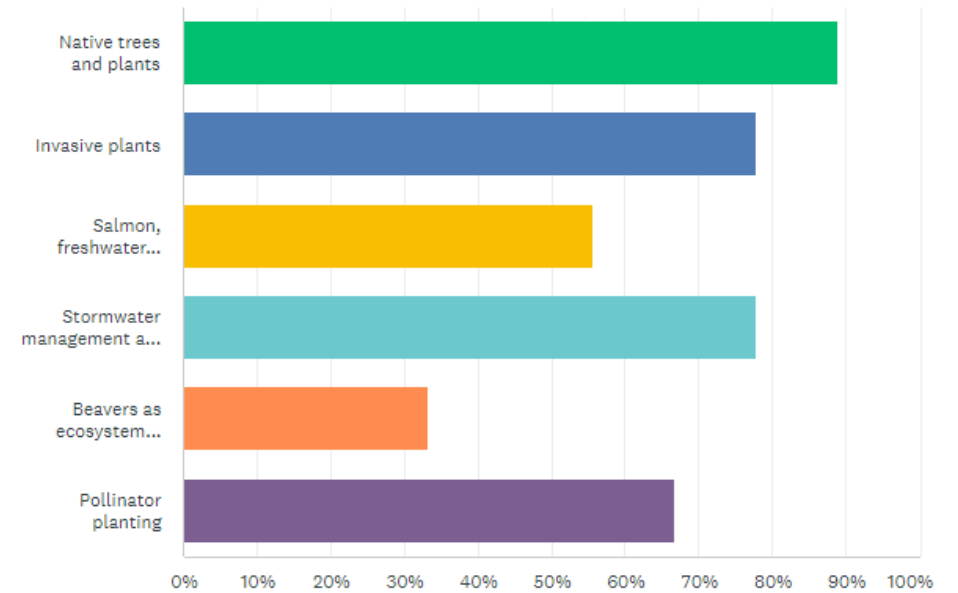
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Q2

What topics are you interested in learning more about?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 1



Stream Team survey to plan future events



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Want to get involved?

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