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2018 ANNUAL REPORT

The West Willamette Restoration Partnership (WWRP) is proud to be a convener for vital restoration work in the watersheds of the Westside Wildlife Corridor (“the Corridor”), a forested spine of the west hills located in SW Portland between Forest Park and Tryon Creek.

In the last year, partners united around large-scale restoration projects and community engagement projects in Southwest Portland.

WWRP ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Between January 2018–December 2018

Restoration & Connectivity

- Region-wide vegetation monitoring efforts: conducted Unified Monitoring Protocol at 9 vegetation plots and shared information with partners in the region {Documented decrease in ivy coverage at all sites where treated}
- Planted native trees and shrubs in treated area {Over 18,000 plants}
- Metro Nature in Neighborhoods grant project funded treatment of English/Irish ivy {11 ac}, himalayan blackberry {1 ac} and weedy tree species {35 ac}
- Active volunteer weeding/planting {5 ac}

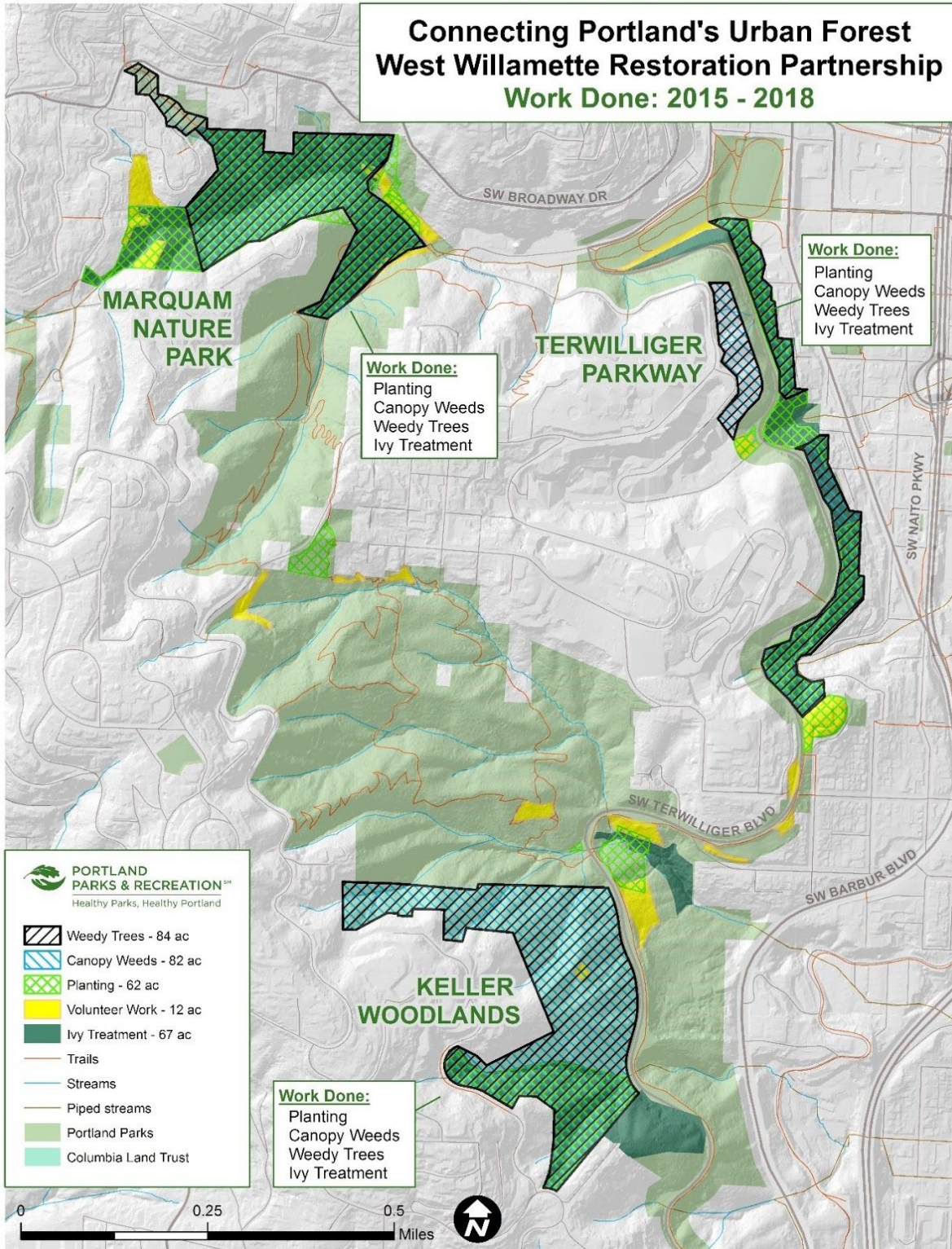
Collaboration & Partnership

- Supported a growing coalition of partners and leaders across disciplines, elevating the impact of this work across the region {Over 13 partners represented at December network meeting}
- Updated WWRP goals and established priority actions under each goal:
 - Goal 1: Enhance and connect habitat in the corridor.
 - Goal 2: Increase the capacity of the WWRP to achieve the partners’ collective mission and vision.
 - Goal 3: Increase community understanding of and engagement in the corridor.
- Funded part-time coordinator to facilitate meetings, manage data & outreach, and build capacity {0.1 FTE}

Outreach & Communications

- Maintained Instagram and website to build awareness about partners and partnership work {Doubled Instagram followers (162)}
- Built relationships with community organizations to reach community members historically underserved by Partners’ services.

PROJECT RESTORATION ACCOMPLISHMENTS - HIGHLIGHTS



Map developed by Portland Community College student, 2018: Katlyn Zurcher

PARTNER DIRECTORY

ACTIVE CORE PARTNERS	EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS	NETWORK AFFILIATIONS
Backyard Habitat Certification Program	Community Engagement Liaison Services	Greater Forest Park Conservation Initiative
The City of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services	Jackson Middle School SUN Program	
Columbia Land Trust	Lewis and Clark College	Intertwine Alliance
Community volunteers	Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership	
Friends of Marquam Nature Park	Pacific Northwest College of Arts	
Friends of Terwilliger	Portland Community College	
Portland Parks & Recreation	Portland State University	
Watershed Resource Center	Tryon Creek Watershed Council	
West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District	Wisdom of the Elders	

PARTNER ACCOMPLISHMENTS - HIGHLIGHTS

The work of the partnership adds value to the great work of our partners. Here are *highlights* from a handful of our partners.

<p>Watershed Resource Center</p> <p>Engaged 178 volunteers who contributed 557 hours of service to plant 300+ native plants, remove invasive weeds, and enhance community walking trails.</p>	<p>Portland Parks & Recreation</p> <p>Over a 1,000 hours of volunteer community stewardship of natural areas, including significant restoration work by <i>Friends of Marquam Nature Park</i>.</p>	<p>Columbia Land Trust</p> <p>Public walk with 11 attendees hosted in Marquam Nature Park as part of Get Outdoors Oregon event.</p>	<p>Friends of Terwilliger</p> <p>2300 volunteer hours spent on restoration and advocacy. Board member Robin Vesey was awarded the City of Portland Sandy Diedrich Environmental Stewardship Award.</p>
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