



WEST WILLAMETTE RESTORATION PARTNERSHIP (WWRP) NEW PARTNER APPLICATION

Please complete this form and email to the WWRP Coordinator at wwrpcoordinator@gmail.com. The Partnership will review your application and notify you of their decision following the next Quarterly Meeting.

What is the WWRP?

The West Willamette Restoration Partnership (“WWRP”) is a coalition made up of engaged volunteers, community groups, landowners, agencies, and other organizations.

Historically, the WWRP focal area spans what has been deemed the “Westside Wildlife Corridor”, a forested wildlife corridor that includes the west hills of Portland, Oregon from the edge of Forest Park to Tryon Creek State Natural Area. This corridor provides for wildlife movement through an urban area, as well as access to nature for people. Connectivity through other natural spaces in the region are critical and WWRP is interested in incorporating any partner organizations that can help support restoration work across west Portland.



Image from an ArcGIS Story Map by Andrew Addressi, Portland State University: <http://arcg.is/2fhFcL0>

The WWRP could not function without the hard work and dedication of committed partners. Over the past five years WWRP has made decisions and taken actions using a consensus-driven model of engagement. The WWRP has operated as a cohesive organization with limited coordination capacity and utilizing the support of multiple fiscal agents to accomplish grant and contract work within the corridor.

I. TELL US ABOUT YOUR ORGANIZATION

1. Organization name:

2. Organization type
 501c3 non-profit Government (regional, city, Tribal) Private entity Community group Other:

3. Mailing address:

4. Primary contact name and contact information (*Proposed WWRP representative*):
Phone:
Email address:

5. Secondary contact (if available):

II. ORGANIZATIONAL INTERESTS

Mission: The West Willamette Restoration Partnership mission is to conserve and enhance the forests and natural areas of SW Portland by forming an active coalition of engaged volunteers & organizations. The WWRP aims to improve conditions supportive of diverse plants, animals, and people through land stewardship, volunteerism, and education.

Vision: The WWRP supports habitat enhancement and stewardship efforts in SW Portland's Willamette River subwatersheds to provide a key link in the Westside Wildlife Corridor connecting Forest Park to Tryon Creek Natural Area. The natural areas in the corridor protect and clean our air and water, support native plants and animals, and provide an extensive system of trails and view corridors for people to enjoy. Healthy forests and natural areas in the corridor are sustained through responsible stewardship and engagement of community members and private property owners as well as conservation groups and land managers.

WWRP includes four primary structural components:

1. **Partnership:** Any organization or individual can join the partner network or join as a WWRP Core Partner with a commitment and investment to the mission and values of the WWRP.
2. **Project Teams:** collaborative teams of individuals and organizations that manage projects in the WWRP corridor.
3. **Steering Committee:** The WWRP's steering committee organizes and operates exclusively for managing the day-to-day functions of the partnership.

4. **Coordinator:** The WWRP hires a WWRP Coordinator on an annual contract basis and determines an appropriate scope to coordinate the necessary activities of the partnership.

Q1. Please review the mission and vision and describe how these values align with your organization and identify the ways in which they differ.

Q2. What are your organization's primary priorities and how do you see that overlapping with WWRP priorities ?

Q3. How do you see the WWRP benefiting your work?

III. WWRP Levels of Membership

- A. Core Partners
- B. Educational Partners
- C. Regional Partners

Core Partner Commitments & Benefits

- **Core Partners commit to** investing in the mission and values of the WWRP, regular attendance at Quarterly Partnership meetings, and participation in joint WWRP projects as applicable by contributing time and/or financial resources.
- **Individual commitments represent a public statement** of intent to participate in the partnership, to strive to identify opportunities and solutions whenever possible, to contribute assistance and support within resource limits, and to collaborate with other participants in promoting the success of the WWRP and its projects.
- **Core Partners are recognized** for their commitments through promotion on the WWRP website (www.westwillamette.org), annual reports, and outreach. Core Partners benefit from partnership coordination, networking, collaborative fundraising, and collaborative project development and outreach.

Q4. Are you interested in becoming a core partner? Y/N

For Core Partners, otherwise leave blank. As outlined in the 2019-2024 Declaration of Cooperation, Core Partners agree to the following commitments and guidelines. Please review these commitments and share 2-3 examples of where your organization has been successful practicing similar commitments.

- Seek to fulfill the collective mission of the partnership while respecting the missions of the individual partner organizations
- Use people's time with respect
- Engage in noncompetitive atmosphere with healthy dialogue
- Share resources, material, and information including but not limited to financial resources, funding opportunities, scientific studies, tools, best management practices, plants, spatial data, accomplishments, outreach data and methods, joint messaging, volunteer contributions, and information on trail and park usage
- Focus on objectives, measurements of productivity, and creating positive change
- Collaborate and cooperate with partners and participants
- Commit to investing in the mission and values of the WWRP
- Regular attendance at Quarterly Partnership meetings
- Participation in joint WWRP projects as applicable by contributing time and/or financial resources
- Strive to identify opportunities and solutions whenever possible
- Contribute assistance and support within resource limits
- Collaborate with other participants in promoting the success of the WWRP and its projects.

Educational Partner Commitments and Benefits

- Manage on-going research projects in the corridor, provide mentorship to students working on WWRP projects, and provide regular classroom opportunities to learn in the corridor.
- Attend a yearly partnership meeting that covers work done in the broader West Willamette corridor.

Q5. Are you interested in becoming an educational partner? Please explain how you see your organization fitting into this role.

Regional Partner Commitments and Benefits

- Support WWRP by providing guidance in restoration strategies or outreach opportunities.
- Promote habitat connectivity from the West Willamette Corridor to surrounding ecological areas.
- Attend a yearly partnership meeting that covers work done in the broader West Willamette corridor.

Q6. Are you interested in becoming a regional partner? Please explain how you see your organization fitting into this role.

Optional Questions

Please leave any questions you have that you would like the Partnership to respond to (if any).

How did you hear about WWRP and becoming a partner?