

PACIFIC CONSERVATION DISTRICT

2024-25 Featured accomplishments



Life along the Lower Willapa River

What can the places that matter to you look like in the future? This project seeks community input to prioritize multi-benefit flooding or climate resilience projects along the Lower Willapa River. These community-generated projects will help protect water quality in Willapa Bay, minimize flooding impacts amplified by climate change, and create wildlife habitat.

Photo Caption: Residents identify problem areas and local priorities for flooding. Taken in South Bend, Washington.



Smith Creek tidal restoration

Pacific Conservation District worked with the Pacific County Department of Public Works, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, and local landowners to restore tide to more than 140 acres of land by replacing the county road tide gates with a 110ft single span bridge. This will also restore access for salmon to spawning and rearing habitat in over eight miles of stream. Reconnecting the tide to Smith Creek allows tidal influence for the first time in decades!

Photo Caption: The first look at the removal of the tide gate and return of tidal waters into Smith Creek. Taken on Parpala Road, outside of Naselle, Washington.



No-till drill equipment share program

The no-till drill equipment share program offers benefits to the environment and landowners alike! Making equipment like this available to share allows more landowners to bring those benefits to their farms, making a greater impact! No-till farming promotes healthier soils, prevents erosion, and aids in mitigating climate change. When pairing this practice with cover cropping, landowners can enjoy the benefits of adding nutrients to the soil!

Photo Caption: Landowner demonstrating the use of the no-till drill on cattle fields to establish cover crops. Taken in Raymond, Washington.

Other accomplishments



Completed restoration work on 27 acres of riparian area.



Planted 10,960 trees and shrubs.



Built 34,100 feet of livestock exclusion fencing in riparian areas.