

**TODD SHAW**  
**2004 SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Easements:**            Re-negotiated, incorporated CREP into two existing easements (John Adams and Lois Cannady), and obtained two new 20-year easements in existing Wildhorse Creek Project Areas (approximately 1-mile of stream)
- Negotiated, incorporated CREP and prepared a 20-year easement for approximately 2 miles of stream on Wildhorse Creek (newly acquired John Adam<sup>7</sup> Property); Bob Lewis followed through with obtaining signatures
  - Negotiated and coordinated with property owner, Ken Gustefson, and NRCS to arrive at several draft easements for approximately 3 miles on the mid Umatilla River; Bob Lewis continued negotiations and recently obtained a final easement
  - Developed three draft easements for three adjoining property owners, Bill Neal, Cross D Ranches and Cochran Creek Ranches, on the lower N. Fork John Day River (approximately 7 miles of stream); final easements to be signed within next few weeks after CTUIR internal review and BPA NEPA Compliance Review
- Fences Constructed:**            Deer Creek (Berrey Property) – 3.3 miles of new fence and 1.8 fence miles repaired (developed and awarded two individual fence contracts = total of 2.4 stream miles implemented as a new project (easement obtained in 2003)
- Owens Creek (Standley Property) – 0.7 miles of fence (constructed by Delbert Jones) = total of 0.3 stream miles implemented as a new project (easement obtained in 2001)
  - Granite Creek (Walton Property) Middle Fork John Day – partnered with Grant County SWCD by providing 6,800 feet of fence materials and three water troughs to eliminate a feed lot and exclude cattle from 84.3 acres of riparian corridor and floodplain

**Water Developments:** Constructed and insulated a new well pump house, poured concrete pad, installed pump, plumbing and water trough, and connected electricity (electric panel, conduit and wiring) at Owens Creek Project Area (Standley Property)

- Constructed a new water development on Snipe Creek (Lower Allstott Property)
- Installed a pump in a previously drilled well on Snipe Creek Project Site (Lower Allstott Property)

**Plantings:** Planted 4,392 trees within the Snipe Creek Project Area (Lower Allstott Property) to CREP Specs.

- Planted 100 willow cuttings in the Deer Creek Project Area (Berrey Property)
- Collected 2,550 willow, red osier dogwood and cottonwood cuttings and several quart bags of golden currant, choke cherry, mock orange, snowberry, wild rose, elderberry, alder and hawthorn seeds for 2005 projects)
- Seeded 50-lbs of native grass seed in the Snipe Creek Project Area (Lower Allstott Property)
- Installed 1,124 vexar tree tubes around trees in the Snipe Creek Project Area (Lower Allstott Property)

**Subcontracts:** Developed and administered Schulze Fencing Contract (Berrey Property – Deer Creek) (amended twice due to contractor delays)

- Developed and administered Borgerding Fencing Contract (Berrey Property – Deer Creek)
- -Developed and administered McClain Spraying Noxious Weed Control Professional Services Agreement (amended once to include additional herbicide applications)

**Landowners negotiated with  
for new projects:**

Ken Gustefsen

Robin Fletcher

Lois Cannady & John Adams (Umatilla and  
N. Fork John Day)

Norm Krostings

Karen Thacker

Cross D Ranches (Chris Bravos)

Billy Neal

Cochran Creek Ranches (Destry Brown)

Clyde and Helen Davidson

The Walton Family

Hood River County (Desolation area)

**Cost-share Activities:**

\$8,498 in EPA funds via CTUIR EP/RP to cover salaries, fringe and indirect associated with maintaining and processing three ISCO sediment samplers in the Umatilla Basin

- \$8,602 in OSU funds for salaries, fringe, travel, monitoring equipment, field supplies and indirect to sample and analyze macroinvertebrates in the Umatilla Basin (attempted to do the same in the N. Fork John Day Basin, but David Wooster & Sandy DeBano were unavailable due to being the lead writers on the Umatilla Subbasin Plan)
- \$3,793 in Community Action Program East Central Oregon (CAPECO) salaries and in-direct to provide a seasonal laborer to assist Delbert Jones
- \$2,000 in Blue Mountain Recovery Funds via the North Fork John Day Watershed Council for noxious weed control assistance on Deer Creek

- \$13,491 in CREP Reimbursements via Steven Berrey for fencing constructed on Deer Creek
- Met with NRCS and developed a prioritization schedule for WHIP-funded projects in the Umatilla Basin and to coordinate CREP planning activities on the John Adams Property on Wildhorse Creek
- Provided approximately \$5,700 worth of fence materials and watering troughs to Grant County SWCD as cost share for a \$119,925 livestock exclusion project on Granite Creek
- Project Leader pulled down \$130,000 in WHIP and NOAA cost share dollars in 2003 for passage improvement projects implemented by Bob Lewis during 2004 and in upcoming out-years in the Umatilla Basin

**Other Major Accomplishments:**

- Completed for both, Umatilla Basin and N. Fork John Day Basin: 2004 SOW's, Line Item Budgets, work schedules, spending plans and accrual estimates, 2003 BIOP Metrics Forms 150 and 153, and 2003 actuals/2004 proposed herbicide matrices for BPA.
- Completed Umatilla Basin Annual Report
- Attended 9 of 12 N. Fork John Day Watershed Council Meetings
- Assisted in interviewing and selection of Umatilla Basin Project Leader
- Coordinated internally and provided information for the John Day Subbasin Plan
- Investigated and discussed utilizing CREP reimbursements for cost share

**A total of 2.7 stream miles of new work was implemented in 2004 (Owens Creek in the Camas Creek Drainage and Deer Creek) and approximately 8 stream miles of work planned in 2005 (Camas Creek and the Lower North Fork John Day River). All of these areas are identified as high priority areas in the draft John Day Subbasin Plan. The project also cost-shared on an additional 0.5 stream mile on Granite Creek, a Middle Fork John Day tributary, another high priority area which contains mid-Columbia Spring Chinook Salmon and summer Steelhead juvenile rearing habitat.**

Task 1.2 Continue to conduct local outreach efforts (public meetings, tours and presentations) at the community level to obtain input, identify landowner and resource agency concerns, provide educational opportunities, and promote stream habitat restoration and protection. This task shall include

integration of headwater protection strategies on the UNF with private land restoration efforts. An example of coordination with the UNF includes proposed restoration activities within the Camas Creek Watershed. The recently completed Camas Creek Watershed Assessment provides an assessment and evaluation of habitat limiting factors and recommends areas with the highest potential for anadromous salmonid production throughout the watershed. The CTUIR is proposing to implement improvements in 2004 on a Camas Creek property owned by the Ukiah Land Company (Robin Fletcher) near Ukiah, Oregon. The UNF has plans to implement habitat enhancements within the upper watershed in the near future:

**The project met with the following landowners on their respective properties, Robin Fletcher, Norm Krostings, Clyde and Helen Davidson and Bill Neal, and ranch managers, Chris Bravos (Cross-D Ranch) and Destry Brown (Cochran Creek Ranch) in attempt to obtain new project areas for habitat enhancements. Landowners, Lois Hartley and Karen Thacker, and property manager, John Adams, also visited with the project leader via phone on several occasions regarding potential new projects.**

**The CTUIR also coordinated with CRITFC and the UNF to assist the UNF in obtaining NOAA – Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Program cost share funds to allow the UNF to continue addressing mine-tailing removal and associated floodplain restoration within the Clear Creek Watershed.**

**The project participated in a Natural Resource Fair on January 5, 2005 in Monument, Oregon to familiarize local citizens with CTUIR's habitat restoration efforts in the basin and attempt to gain support and potential projects.**

- 1.2.1 Continue to assist the NFJDWC in development and review of the John Day Subbasin Plan. Coordinate these efforts with Camas Creek and Desolation Meadows intensive planning:

**Reviewed and provided comment on the John Day Subbasin Plan through the NFJDWC Watershed Council Coordinator, Alex Conley, and directly to Barnes and Associates, the subcontractors hired to develop the subbasin plan. Coordinated with CTUIR Natural Production Staff and the Fish and Wildlife Program Managers regarding subbasin planning efforts and encouraged them to provide additional input.**

- 1.2.2 Direct landowners to U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and SWCD personnel who can represent agricultural incentive programs, so that

landowners can understand options and make informed decisions early in the planning process. This subtask shall include determining new and existing projects eligible under agriculture incentive programs that may be supplemented or extended with BPA funds. Project personnel will help landowners identify such projects. The Ukiah Land Company located on Camas Creek and the Krostings Property on Cooper Creek are examples of proposed USDA cost share incentive projects to be implemented during the 2004 project period:

Norm Krostings (Cooper Creek) and Robin Fletcher (Camas Creek) had been directed to the Umatilla County FSA and NRCS offices in Pendleton in 2003. The Krostings family enrolled the property under CREP and a conservation plan was developed by NRCS in 2003. Mr. Krostings and Chet Hadley with NRCS met on the property with the CTUIR project leader on November 30, 2004. This meeting resulted in Mr. Krostings re-enrolling his property under CREP. Mr. Krostings contacted the project leader on February 7, 2004 and indicated that his family members could not come to agreement on CREP restoration approaches for their property. The project leader encouraged him to enroll solely under a CTUIR funded Riparian Easement. Mr. Krosting stated that there was a strong possibility that they would choose to only work with the CTUIR in the future, but his family needed time to reconsider.

NRCS encouraged Mr. Fletcher to delay enrolling his property under any USDA subsidy programs until October 2004 due to potential 2005 rental increases under FSA's new CREP CP30 Marginal Pastureland Wetland Buffer Program. NRCS extended these delays into 2005 because rules were still being developed for CP30. The CTUIR and NRCS are meeting with Mr. Fletcher on March 23, 2005 in attempt to get this project moving again (NRCS must supply documentation to FSA that the wetland area is hydrologically connected to Camas Creek and composed of hydric soils, NRCS must determine the extent of acreage that will be enrolled under this program [NRCS and CTUIR directed Mr. Fletcher to obtain an aerial photo of his mapped CREP acreage from FSA and discovered that the landowner has been provided with three aeriels at various times indicating differing acreages], environmental clearances must be cleared through NRCS and this new program requires more extensive environmental reviews, and this program to be approved and finalized by FSA for landowner sign-ups).

Cochran Creek Ranch (over 5 stream miles on the lower North Fork of the John Day River) and Clyde and Helen Davidson (5 stream miles on Cottonwood Creek) were encouraged to enroll under CREP. Cochran Creek Ranch is currently coordinating with Grant County FSA to enroll their property under CREP. Chris Mundy, John Day NRCS, forwarded an e-mail to the CTUIR project leader on