

Oregon Trout and Oregon Water Trust merge, announce new name

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PORTLAND — Oregon Trout and Oregon Water Trust announced a name change to The Freshwater Trust. Fresh off a merge in the fall of 2008, the two

organizations are now two of four programs under The Freshwater Trust umbrella. The other two programs are Healthy Waters Institute and StreamBank.

“Our new name and logo align with the work that we

have been doing and the work that we will be doing,” said Joe Whitworth, president of The Freshwater Trust. Founded in 1983 by a group of flyfishing conservationists, Oregon Trout works to protect and restore

native fish and their ecosystems.

Founded in 1993 as the nation's first water trust, Oregon Water Trust works cooperatively with landowners to keep more water in their rivers and streams.