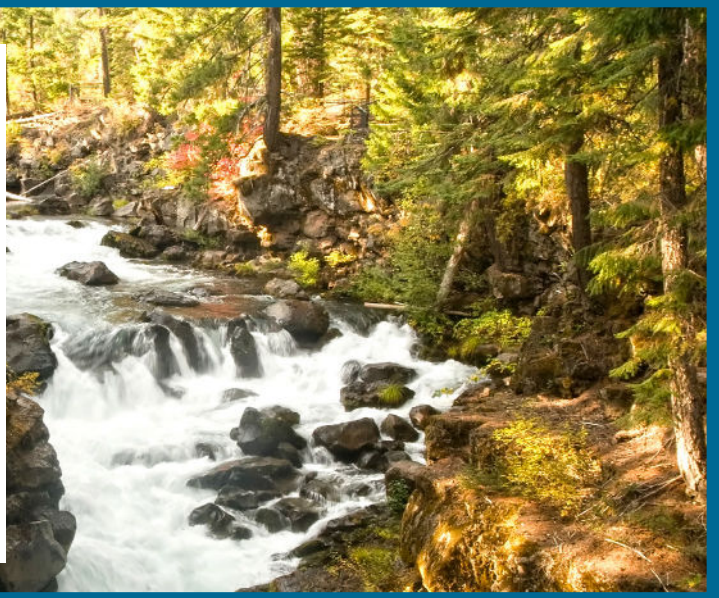


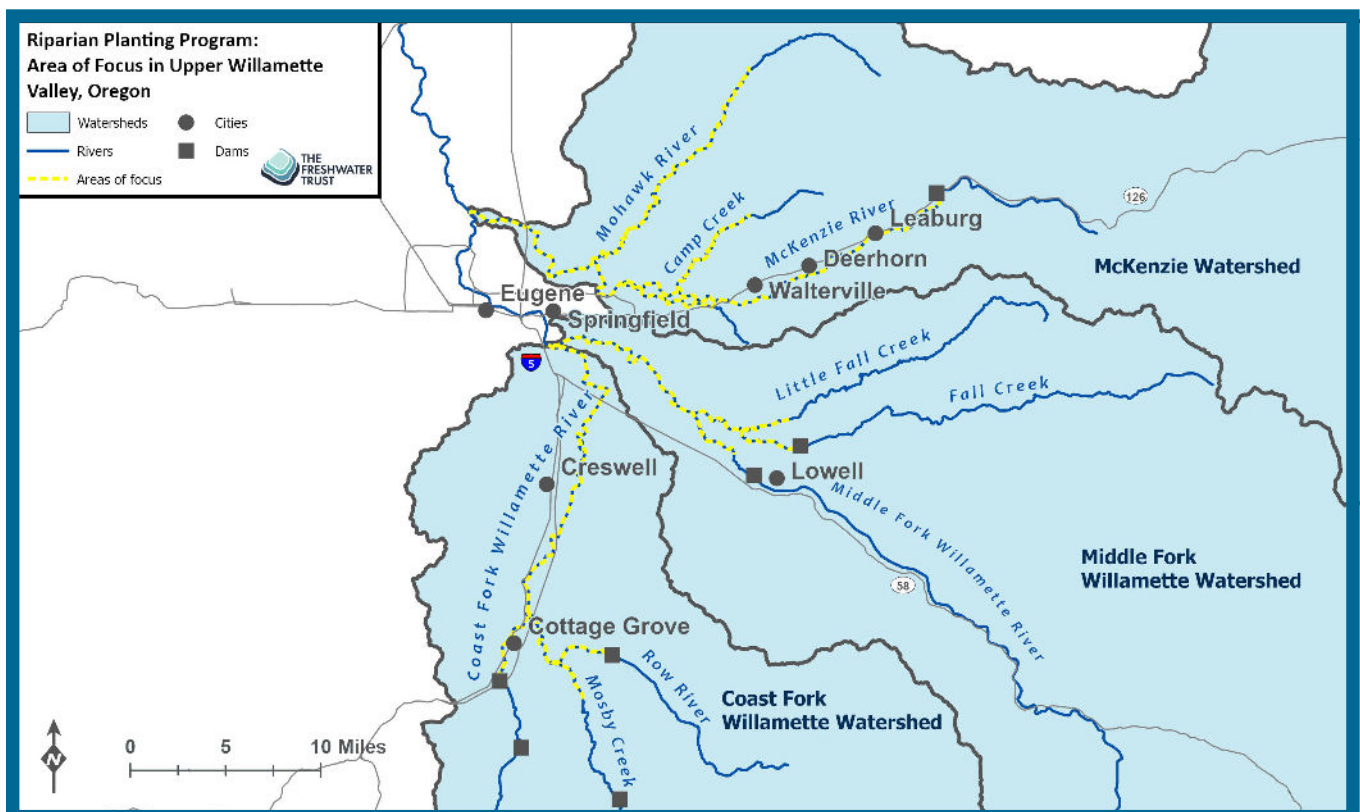
Riparian Planting Program

Available to landowners in parts of the Upper Willamette watershed. The program pays for and maintains streamside (riparian) vegetation for the life of a 20-year land lease.



What are the benefits?

- There is no cost to the landowner. We provide an annual lease payment for the life of the lease. Payments are typically \$350 per acre, per year.
- Long-term suppression of invasive vegetation.
- Riparian vegetation can help address minor to moderate bank erosion and decrease flooding threats.
- Additional privacy from neighbors and other river users. You retain full access to the leased land, with the provision that the trees and shrubs we plant are given every opportunity to establish.
- Improved fishing, birding and wildlife viewing.



What is required to participate?

- Ownership of a riparian (streamside) land parcel within the Upper Willamette Valley program area of focus (*see map above*).
- A suitable site for our riparian restoration program.
- Existing restoration or conservation projects may affect eligibility.

Note to Agricultural Landowners:

The plantings offered by this program are consistent with the goals of the Southern Willamette Valley Agricultural Water Quality Management Area Plan.

Who offers this planting program?

- Local watershed councils and others working in the Upper Willamette basin.
- [The Freshwater Trust](#), an Oregon-based nonprofit organization that protects and restores rivers.
- Pure Water Partners, a community effort to maintain clean, healthy drinking water.
- Metropolitan Wastewater Management Commission, a partnership of Eugene, Springfield, and Lane County.
- Local suppliers and contractors.

To learn more about the riparian planting program or to schedule a no-obligation site visit, contact your watershed council:

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What are we offering with each riparian lease?

- To plant and maintain an attractive, resilient mix of native trees and shrubs in a 60-foot buffer (or wider) along the stream edge. Planting areas are flexible to maintain river access points.
- To pay all costs, including all plant materials, site preparation, plant installation, maintenance, and livestock exclusion fencing.
- To remove invasive vegetation in the riparian area prior to planting, including Himalayan blackberry.
- To perform routine maintenance and monitoring of all shrubs and trees to ensure full establishment.

