

Happy New Year!

Methow Beaver Project

Check Out our 2022 In Review Photo Gallery Below



The sun has set on 2022 and it was a DAM good year for Beaver-based Stream Restoration!

We hope you'll join us in celebrating a tail slapping 12 months full of beaver-based conservation and stream structure restoration with our dedicated partners, incredible volunteers and generous supporters by strolling through our virtual project gallery below!

We continued to expand our mission and range in 2022 to provide beaver coexistence services, beaver relocation from conflict, innovative watershed-scale habitat restoration, endangered species support, effectiveness monitoring with passionate citizen scientists, engaging outreach & education with all ages, and momentous beaver policy action in WA and across the Nation!

We can't thank YOU enough for supporting this work for restoring native species and natural processes that increase biodiversity, sustainable watershed function, and climate adaptation.

We have much to build on in 2023 so come join the Methow Beaver Project community and the greatest engineers in fur pants to help restore and sustain the watersheds we all LOVE & NEED!!



A beaver removed from human conflict in the Methow River watershed in our beaver holding facility at the USFWS Winthrop National Fish Hatchery. This beaver is awaiting more family members and relocation to a new stream supporting increased beaver establishment, water storage and endangered salmon habitat.

2022 HIGHLIGHTS (see photo gallery below)

- 122 beaver-mimicking woody structures installed in wildfire impacted streams to jumpstart restoration of natural stream processes
- 38 landowners provided assistance to live better with beavers
- 125 trees protected from beaver felling so beavers could remain in place
- 14 beavers relocated from conflict with people
- 101 volunteers helped care for and relocate beavers and monitor relocation and restoration streams
- 743 students learned about beaver ecology and beaver-based restoration
- 12 Funders supported beaver-based restoration, coexistence, relocation, and outreach (2 Federal, 3 State, & 7 Foundations)
- <u>Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom</u> filmed part of their upcoming *Eager Beaver* episode with us
- Hundreds of supporters prioritized beaver-based watershed restoration & resilience through Give Methow!!
- Co Chaired WA Beaver Working Group
- Joined the New National Beaver Working Group, Co-Chair of Policy & Legal Subcommittee
- Supported the new DAMS Bill in the US House of Representatives to support nation wide beaver coexistence funding

Loup Loup Creek, Okanogan River Watershed

Wildfire Impacted Streamflow & Habitat Restoration

Public & Private Lands Partnership with local contractors: 3 Rivers Arbor Care funded by WA Department of Ecology, Wildlife Conservation Society, & WA Dept of Fish & Wildlife















Texas Creek, Methow River Watershed

Wildfire Impacted Streamflow & Habitat Restoration

Public Lands Partnership with local contractors:

Three Rivers Arbor Care & Methow Natives

funded by WA Department of Ecology, Wildlife Conservation Society, & WA Dept of Fish & Wildlife











Chiliwist Creek, Okanogan River Watershed

Wildfire Impacted Streamflow & Habitat Restoration

Private Lands Partnership with local contractors:

Three Rivers Arbor Care & Plantas Nativas

funded by WA Department of Ecology, Wildlife Conservation Society, & WA Dept of Fish & Wildlife

















Installing & developing groundwater monitoring wells in Chiliwist Creek with MBP's Director and our fantastic 2022 summer intern from Colorado College.

Cow Creek, Methow River Watershed

Wildfire Impacted Streamflow & Habitat Restoration

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Beaver Coexistence Services

Pearrygin State Park - Rex Derr Trailhead access road-culvert blocked by beaver damming, culvert protection fence installed



Beaver Relocation from Conflict with People











Volunteers who truly channeled their "Inner Beaver" to help restore our streams and monitor success of our actions!











Outreach & Education

Earth Day, World Fish Migration Day, Mutual Of Omaha's Wild Kingdom Filming, Arts Fest, Whitman College "Westies" students, UW's Wetland Ecology students, UW Doris Duke Conservation Scholars, Paschal Sherman Indian School 7th & 8th graders, Classroom In Bloom MVSD, Big History MVSD, and more!



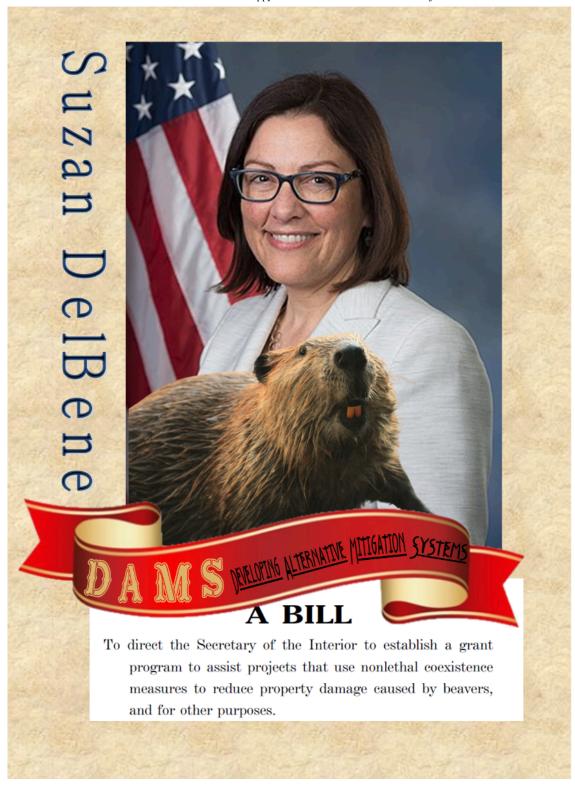








Beaver Management & Policy



Beavers and Beaver Management in Washington

Jeff Davis, Director of Conservation Policy Eric Gardner, Wildlife Program Director Margen Carlson, Habitat Program Director





National Beaver Working Group Initial Exploration at BeaverCon June 2022. As of September 2022, the National Beaver Working Group is a reality with 6 Subcommittees.

From Our Team to Yours

Happy New Year from Methow Beaver Project! HAPPY NEW YEAR!





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