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Our Mission:

To protect Upper Deschutes River Communities by restoring and sustaining healthy fire-resistant forests, pure and abundant river flows and wildlife habitat.

2011 Annual Report and 2012 Operations Report is at:

www.udrc.org

Click Who We are and Our History for a map of our service area

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President's Message

Summer is fast approaching and our many volunteers, partners and Board members are busy on projects directed towards supporting our overall mission statement. Among the many projects are ladder fuel reduction and woody waste removal from our neighborhoods thus reducing the threat of wildfires. Our Federal partners continue forest thinning and employing prescribed burns on their lands.

Other projects include the restoration of Todd Lake campsites and preparing for our September SOLVE river cleanup and our annual stakeholders appreciation and fund raising event on September 29 at the Sunriver Homeowners Aqua Recreation Center.

I encourage you to provide your time, talent and some treasure to make this year memorable for everyone. Living in south Deschutes County near our public and private lands is an ongoing pleasure for everyone.

Questions? Please call me to discuss how you might help with the Coalition's projects. Please review our activities in this E-News.

Have a great summer.

Carl Jansen, President

PS – please consider supporting the Jake Keller Memorial Fund – see the gift form at the end of our e news.

Who We Are!

The UDRC is a multiple-issue, project-based coalition representing a broad range of interests among its 26 member communities, Federal, State, County and other stakeholders.

The UDRC's Twenty Year Vision Statement: *Communities and partners aware of the issues, engaged, collaborating and acting together to create and maintain a healthy, scenic and sustainable environment where everyone is able to live with their core values.*

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2012 Meeting

Schedule:
www.udrc.org

**Please attend our
Board and Partner
meetings at the
Sunriver Public
Library at 12:30 p.m.
on:**

**Next meeting is June
19 at River Meadows,
then back to the
Sunriver Public
Library on July 17, &
August 21.**

**Communities
represented by the
Upper Deschutes
River Coalition:**

Beaver Road District

Caldera Springs

Cougar Grove

Crosswater

**Deschutes River
Recreational Home
sites 1-5; 6; 8; & 9.**

Fall River Estates

UDRC's Primary Role: The Upper Deschutes River Coalition is the lead organization in its 69,000 acre Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) to catalyze and coordinate its stakeholder's community neighbors, stakeholders and partners. For example, of primary importance is to first educate, lobby and advocate, gather information and be the voice of reason in ongoing wildland fire, water rights, and native habitat issues.

Leadership Committee

Support of the Upper Deschutes River Coalition's Annual Appreciation Event

We need your support of the Coalition's annual stakeholder meeting on September 29, 2012 at the new Sunriver SHARC by donating items for our silent auction and raffle. This will help raise funds to sustain our base operations and help us expand our services in South Deschutes County.

The UDRC is a leader in developing and managing a diverse collaboration of Federal, State, County, neighborhood associations, stakeholders and nonprofits to address issues and management of 69,000 acres in the Deschutes River Basin of Central Oregon. The UDRC was formed in 2004 and since 2005, obtained grants and donations of over \$600,000 which the Coalition invested in its service area with an economic impact of over \$3 million.

Joe Stutler, Deschutes County Forester will be preparing a Tri-Tip BBQ lunch with all the trimmings. We look forward to your donation of goods, services, sporting trips (fishing, floats, kayaks, etc.) and attending the event at Sunriver's new aqua center.

UDRC Sponsor Program – Sponsors will be featured on the Coalition's web site, our E News, and at our monthly Board and partner meetings. Sponsorships start at \$250. If you would like to discuss being a sponsor contact John Moore, UDRC Treasurer at jjemoore@msn.com

Private Lands Committee

Wildfire Neighborhood Fuel Risk Maps - completed maps are available on www.udrc.org under "member neighborhoods".

Spring 2012 Ladder Fuel Reduction Projects

**Notice – Deschutes County's Fontana and Cedar Court drop off sites are closed!
\$500 penalty for unauthorized use.**

All ladder fuel deposited near community roadsides will be picked by June 30 by our contractors at no cost to the communities. Communities participating include DRRH 1-5, 6, 9, River Meadows, River Forest Acres, OWW11, Spring river and Fall River. Call Mick McMicken for more information.

Haner Park

Lazy River West & Huntington

Oregon Water Wonderland # 1 & 2

Pinewood Country Estates

River Forest Acres

River Meadows

Spring River Fire & Safety Assn.

Sun Country Estates

Sundance - Sunriver

Thousand Trails

Vandevert Acres Road District

Vandevert Ranch

Whispering Pines

Wild River Assn.

Public Lands Committee

Promotion at US Forest Service

Shane Jeffries, formerly Forest Service Bend-Ft. Rock District Ranger is now Deputy Forest Supervisor for the Deschutes National Forest.

Link to announcement:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/centraloregon/news-events/?cid=STELPRDB5369295>

Forest Service Draft Proposal for the Bend – Sunriver Paved FS Road 41

Below is a draft report listing options for creating a paved bike path/paved FS road 41. The Forest Service is still evaluating options and the public will have an opportunity to comment this year.



Bend-SunriverPavedPath_final_...

Double click to open.

Todd Lake Camp Site Restoration Project – July 2012

The National Forest Foundation is granting \$10,000 to the Coalition to restore the camp site at Todd Lake. The project is set to start about July 9-12, and 16-17) and will take several weeks to complete.

Volunteers will be needed and people interested in helping may contact Jerry Hubbard at jhubbard@chamberscable.com

Watershed Committee

1. Deschutes River Flows - Earlier this year, the Deschutes River Conservancy Board (DRC) authorized the time and manpower to develop a plan to increase Winter flows out of Wickiup. The target is something like the flows we saw the past two Winters, approximately 300 cfs. That will allow increased "off season" recreational use below Wickiup and address the primary limiting factors in trout production in our stretch of the river, lack of over Winter habitat & and inadequate Fall flows for optimum Brown Trout and Kokanee spawning. Getting a Water Management Agreement for increased flows is a long, slow process. The Deschutes River Conservancy staff is conducting some very good meetings with the irrigation districts to enroll them in the planning process and to find out what they need from it.

Flows in the Middle Deschutes -- Benham Falls to Lake Billy Chinook -- are humming along. DRC expects 160 cfs in stream this Summer, only 90 cfs short of the goal of 250 cfs. Progress is being made

For further information, to get involved, or to contribute to the efforts, contact the

Deschutes River Conservancy at 541-382-4077 or check out their website at www.deschutesriver.org

2. Upper Deschutes Habitat and Bank Restoration - Look for opportunities through Trout Unlimited in upcoming issues of the UDRC eNews. If you'd like to find out more now, contact Darek Staab at DStaab@tu.org or call 541-480-6976.

3. Crooked River Salmon-Steelhead Restoration - Please **contact Oregon Senators Merkley** <http://www.merkley.senate.gov/contact/> & **Wyden** <http://wyden.senate.gov/contact/> ASAP and ask them to:

- **Oppose Congressman Greg Walden's bill HR 2060.** It does nothing for fish, the river, or the City of Prineville. It's an unnecessary giveaway to the Irrigation Districts and Power Producers.

- **Support the Crooked River Recovery and Steelhead Reintroduction (CRRSR) proposal** on pages 7 & 8 of the attachment. It does no harm to Prineville or the Irrigation Districts and has huge benefits for the Public, the River, and the Fish.

4. Contact the Jeff Wieland or Carl Jansen for information and to get involved in the annual **SOLV River Sweep clean-up** of the Upper Deschutes from Wickiup to Benham Falls. I have personally done this the last 3 years and actually had fun giving back to the River that makes this a wonderful place to live.

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Chairman, Watershed Committee

River Stewardship Guide – is available at www.udrc.org
Front page under the information section.

E News – E Lists –

If you or your associates would like to receive e news or updates on the Coalition please send us your contact information – send to Kelle Jones at kellejones@gmail.com

Community News

South Deschutes County Comprehensive Plan – Meetings:

The next community meetings are July 31 and August 1.

The County's website for this project is: www.deschutes.org/southcountyplan .

Deschutes County staff is committed to engaging residents and organizations throughout the summer. Contact Terri Hansen Payne (541-385-1404; terrip@co.deschutes.or.us) or Peter Gutowsky (541-385-1709; peterg@co.deschutes.or.us) to schedule a meeting.

Emergency Notifications

Preparedness is the key to surviving wildfires, evacuations and other emergencies.

Please use this link and register your cell phones with your address so that a REVERSE 911 Emergency Call can find you.

<http://www.deschutes.org/9-1-1-Service-District/Citizen-Emergency-Notification-System-%28CENS%29.aspx>

Invest in the Coalition!

The Coalition's 2012 plans will continue to make our neighborhoods safer from the risk of wildfire through our sweat equity program (thanks to a two-year \$100,000 grant from Deschutes County) and the Oregon Department of Forestry's wood chipping program.

The Coalition strives to be financially transparent as possible. We post our financial information on our web site www.udrc.org and review the monthly statements at our Board and partner meetings. We invite questions and try to provide timely responses. Jerry Hubbard, Executive Director, UDRC (jhubbard@chamberscable.com) is available to discuss our operations.

The Jake Keller Memorial Fund

GIFT FORM

Yes, I/we would like to help the Upper Deschutes River Coalition build an environmentally minded community by restoring and sustaining healthy fire-resistant forests, pure and abundant river flows and wildlife habitat within the 69,000 acre service area.

Your investment will help the Coalition build a strong base for financial stability.

I have enclosed a gift of:

- Lodgepole Pine for \$100
- Cranebow Trout for \$250
- Rainbow Trout for \$500
- Brown Trout for \$1,000
- Ponderosa Pine for \$2,500
- Redband Steelhead for \$5,000
- Bull Elk for \$10,000
- Another Amount \$ _____

Gifts are tax deductible to the extent allowable by law.

Please make your check payable to "Upper Deschutes River Coalition"

Our Tax ID Number is 03-0557393

Appreciated Stock Gifts are Welcome!

For more information call 541-593-2777 or visit www.udrc.org

Use PayPal at www.udrc.org

Name _____

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May we include your name in our list of donors? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, print your name as it should appear for recognition:

Signature _____

Date _____

Please send your completed gift form and check to:

Upper Deschutes River Coalition

P O Box 3042,

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Thank You!