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LAND TRUST PURCHASES HISTORIC EATONVILLE HOMESTEAD

Annual Report
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The Land Trust is pleased to announce the acquisition of the historic Van Eaton homestead in Eatonville – 68 acres of wetlands, floodplain, dense forest, and Mashel River shoreline that provides superior habitat for threatened Chinook salmon and steelhead trout.



The 68-acre property provides habitat for threatened Chinook salmon and steelhead trout.

The property is the crown jewel in the Mashel Shoreline Protection and Restoration Initiative, a multi-partner project to restore 2.2 miles of the Mashel River. In addition to protecting valuable salmon habitat, the property also affords the best access for future in-stream restoration of the confluence of the Mashel and Little Mashel rivers, a key site for salmon production.

The Mashel is the largest tributary to the Nisqually River. Forty years ago it was one of the richest steelhead rivers in the Pacific Northwest, with annual spawning runs in the thousands. Since then, the steelhead population has declined by some 80 percent. Restoring the Mashel is critical to recovery of this precious salmonid species.

Pierce County provided \$1.1 million toward the purchase, which was the highest-ranked project in the county's Conservation Futures program. The Washington Salmon Recovery Funding Board provided an additional \$200,000 to meet the purchase price of \$1.3 million.

The acquisition follows the Land Trust's acquisition, in 2009, of an adjoining 25 acres of the Van Eaton homestead. That property was the first to be acquired under Pierce County's transfer of development rights program, with additional funding from the Williams Pipeline Mitigation Fund.

"We could not be more pleased," said Terry Van Eaton, who represented the Van Eaton family in negotiations with the Land Trust. "Our dream has always been to see this property permanently conserved. We are happy to know that it will remain a vital part of the community and that its protection will help bring back the Chinook and steelhead that once thrived in the Mashel."

The two transactions mark the first time the properties have left family ownership since they were homesteaded.

In addition to the restoration project, the Land Trust anticipates working with the Town of Eatonville to incorporate portions of the property into the Town's open-space plans.



The property was homesteaded by Thomas C. Van Eaton in 1889.

WALKING TO WIGLEY

By Candi Tobin
Nisqually Land Trust Field Technician



Nisqually River with Mount Rainier in the background.

Sometimes a walk in the woods isn't, well, a walk in the woods. The properties that you see pictures of in the newsletter and certainly at our work parties are usually fairly accessible; park your car and you're there.

But this is not always the case. Recently, Land Steward Joe Kennedy, Field Technician Candi Tobin, and Intern Erica Calhoon tackled one of the Nisqually Land Trust's most challenging protected properties in the upper Nisqually watershed. The trio traversed a railroad-track bridge over a raging river and hiked uphill—both ways—through the snow (berry) to get to the small, phenomenal parcel known as Wigley.

Joe literally lost his pants on the venture—his pant legs were torn and frayed on brush to such an extent that he went home with a new pair of shorts that day! Candi got up close and personal with Mother Nature when she went for a ride on a slick, muddy bank turned slip-and-slide. All three tunneled their way through dense grasses and shrubbery that went well over their heads for the better part of a half-hour in an attempt to find an acceptable river crossing.

They did, but wouldn't you know it—they ended up waist-deep

in the Nisqually River on the way back. This is where a stellar dance move was born. If you ever get a chance to meet our hardy intern, Erica, be sure to ask her how she empties her flooded muck boots!

So were the torn clothes, tired muscles and water-logged socks worth it for a welfare check on a property?

If you could have been there that day, you wouldn't have to ask. The access issues that make site visits such a challenge have also helped deter trash dumpers and trespassers. The Wigley property boasts one of the neatest—in this author's opinion—moss-bedecked vine maple jungle gyms around. The fast moving waters of the Nisqually River are cool and clear here; ideal for the small fish cruising over the rocks and gravel. There are trees too big to wrap your arms around and there are views of Mount Rainier that make you jealous of the wildlife lucky to call Wigley home.

Site visits like this remind me how critical each individual's role is in protecting the watershed. My heart is much bigger than my wallet and I could not, despite my grand desires, afford to protect amazing places like Wigley. I could not, alone, take on armies of invasive plants that always seem to creep in. I could grab my shovel and plant maples and Douglas firs every day of my life, but I can't be there to nurture them in perpetuity. I'm so glad for the Land Trust and for all the people who contribute to keeping the native forests as native forests forever.



McGill University student and Olympia High School alumnus Erica Calhoon volunteered a substantial portion of her summer break as Nisqually Land Trust's stewardship intern. She helped us to monitor properties, prepare for fall/winter plantings, and yank up stubborn invasive weeds - all with a smile!

OCTOBER 2010– SEPTEMBER 2011

STEWARDSHIP & RESTORATION

Restoration

Trees and Shrubs Planted: 48,350
Acres Planted: 80
Maintenance for 16 Planting Projects: 190 acres
(approximately 100,000 plants)
Prep for 2011-12 Plantings: 17 sites (for 42,700 native trees and shrubs)

Volunteers

Total Volunteers: 225
Volunteers Hours Donated: 1600 (500 hours donated by students)
Work Parties: 21
Site Stewards: 10

NEW FACES AT THE LAND TRUST



Ann Ryherd

ANN RYHERD JOINS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ann Ryherd is the Land Trust's new treasurer.

During a 33-year career in Washington state government, Ann held numerous senior management positions, including Director of the Office of Financial Management, Assistant State Treasurer and Executive Director of the Higher Education Coordinating Board. She also served as a member and as Chair of the Pollution Control and Shorelines hearings boards.

In addition to state government, Ann held positions in higher education administration and served for nine years as a member of the Group Health Board of Trustees. Ann has a life-long interest in conservation and, along with her husband, Mike, has long supported the Nisqually Land Trust.

AMERICORPS VOLUNTEER AND OUTREACH COORDINATOR JOINS LAND TRUST

Charly Kearns, the Land Trust's first AmeriCorps member, has joined the Land Trust staff as our new Volunteer and Outreach Coordinator. Charly will recruit and train stewardship volunteers and will provide support for outreach activities.

"As an AmeriCorps member serving with Nisqually Land Trust, I plan to put my passion for conservation into action," says Charly. "I am excited to see how a non-profit organization operates. I hope to reach out to community members who might not otherwise become involved in land stewardship. I also hope to gain experience that will help me to continue my career in conservation."

Charly has tracked spotted owls in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, performed water quality analysis on Isle Royal National Park, helped to protect sea turtles in Costa Rica, and recently finished a stint as an Urban Forestry Specialist with AmeriCorps GreenCorps in Minnesota.

"Charly is curious, patient, organized, grounded and passionate about nature, all of which make him a good candidate



Charly Kearns

to support our volunteer and outreach program," says Kim Bredensteiner, stewardship coordinator.

This fall, Charly will work on Land Trust properties. "I think it is critical that Charly get to know our land, so he will be better able to place volunteers where their interests and talents will be best used," says Bredensteiner.

WWU STUDENT INTERN STUDIES LAND TRUSTS AT NLT

Western Washington University senior Nikki Dizon is interning with the Land Trust this fall. Nikki studies environmental policy at WWU's Huxley College of the



Nikki Dizon

Environment, which is where she became interested in Land Trusts. Her professors encouraged her to volunteer with Whatcom Land Trust, where she participated in work parties with the local salmon enhancement group. The experience influenced Nikki's decision to intern with the Nisqually and Capitol land trusts.

Nikki will learn about records management and will be working with our stewardship department.

"Because of her academic training, Nikki is particularly qualified to help us digitize and refine our property records management," says Conservation Projects Coordinator Nicole Hill.

Stewardship Coordinator Kim Bredensteiner plans a lot of hands-on experience for Nikki. "She will accompany staff, learning about site monitoring and helping prepare for upcoming winter work parties."

Nikki has not decided what she will do after graduation. "I hope my internship experience will help guide me," she said.



George Walter

2010-2011 ANNUAL REPORT

From the President

TRANSITION IS ABOUT EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES TO COME

If all goes according to plan, and I'm confident that it will, this will be my last annual letter to you as President of the Nisqually Land Trust. Earlier this year I told my fellow board members that, after 22 years as president, I felt it was time for a new president. For the benefit of the Land Trust, we needed to plan for succession.

You know, there is nothing like having a supportive team to work things through. My board and I discussed succession at length, and we agreed to create the position of president-elect, allowing for a transition period. We were fortunate, also, that J. W. Foster was willing and able to assume this new position. Next year, when he goes on to become president, I will remain on as a board member and the informal past-president.

As tempting as it has been for me to look back on what we've accomplished in the

past 22 years, what I've been thinking about primarily are the exciting opportunities (and challenges) that are coming our way.

I am particularly enthusiastic about the prospect of developing a Nisqually Community Forest. The Nisqually watershed is very well suited for timber production, but because of its proximity to urban areas, and increasing land values, the major timber companies have been moving out. What will happen to our forest land? Establishing a community forest can address this question.

There are several goals of a community forest. One important goal is to keep the land in forest production in a way that continues to generate economic value for the Nisqually community. Another goal is to recognize and plan for maintaining the conservation and scenic values of the

forest. The Nisqually Land Trust is well suited to lead an effort to insure the Nisqually will always be a forested watershed.

I'm also excited about the development of the Land Trust's stewardship program. Twenty years ago I was a bit naïve about the responsibility of owning large tracts of conservation land. I guess I believed that land would take care of itself. But I now know we can't count on that – we have to do active stewardship if we are to have the long-term conservation benefits we've invested in.

Earlier this year we established the Forever Fund, a fund that will insure over time that the Land Trust can meet this stewardship responsibility. I'm looking forward to building this fund, which is dedicated to securing the financial strength of the NLT far into the future.

2010 FINANCIAL REPORT

ABBREVIATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010

ASSETS

Cash	\$611,402
Conservation Land	15,268,413
Prepaid Expense	713
Equipment (less depreciation)	17,805
Investments	32,427
Receivables	420,481
TOTAL ASSETS	\$16,351,241

LIABILITIES

\$453,085

NET ASSETS \$15,898,156

TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS \$16,351,241

ABBREVIATED SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010

SUPPORT & REVENUE

Restricted Grants & Contributions	\$2,084,054
Unrestricted Grants & Contributions	538,451
Fundraising	51,416
Interest & Investments	15,191
Other Revenue	182,028
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUE	\$2,871,140

EXPENSES AND ACQUISITIONS

Land Acquisitions (Purchases)	\$2,228,530
Conservation Program Services	484,747
Management & General	134,133
Fundraising	32,675
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,880,085
NET RESULT	\$ -8,945

Financial highlights since October 1, 2010, include a successful audit of our 2010 books by Aiken & Sanders, CPA. The abbreviated statements below were derived from fully annotated statements presented to our Board of Directors. We are pleased to note that we continue to receive a clean bill of fiscal health and that our management and general operations were less than 5 percent of our total expenditures. The complete audit and our 2010 tax return are posted on our website.



Joe Kane

2010-2011 ANNUAL REPORT *From the Executive Director*

SMALL WATERSHED, **BIG IDEAS**

Last July the *New York Times* ran a front-page story on conservation innovation in the Nisqually watershed. The story came as no surprise to the Land Trust and our many partners here at home. We've long known that the Nisqually is a small watershed with big ideas – ideas that resonate far beyond our borders.

The Nisqually salmon-recovery program, for example, is widely regarded as the best in the state and has become a model for cooperative conservation across the country.

The recent restoration of the Nisqually estuary is the largest estuary restoration ever completed on the West Coast.

And with our acquisitions this year, permanent conservation of the mainstem Nisqually River hit 75 percent, or 63 of 84 shoreline miles—an exceptional level of protection for a river so close to major metropolitan areas.

As we move into 2012, the Land Trust board and staff are pleased to look back at another successful year. Amid tough economic conditions we were able to increase our staff, acquire critical conservation lands, and aggressively restore lands we already own, including the planting of nearly 50,000 native trees and shrubs.

We also managed to keep management costs to less than 5 percent of expenditures and to increase strategic financial reserves. And once again, our annual independent audit (available at www.nisquallylandtrust.org) certified that your Nisqually Land Trust is in sound financial health.

Meanwhile, we were hard at work planting the seeds for the next Big Ideas:

The Nisqually Community Forest: The Land Trust has now permanently

protected over 3500 acres. That's not enough. To truly protect the tremendous natural heritage of the Nisqually River Valley, we need to think in terms of tens of thousands of acres – and in terms of sustainable jobs, working forests, and broad community benefits.

That's going to take a whole new approach to conservation. One answer is to create a community forest owned and managed for the benefit of the Nisqually River Valley. To that end, the Land Trust has won a grant from the National Park Service to launch Phase I of the Nisqually Community Forest Project.

Over the next year, working with an advisory committee of some 25 organizations, agencies and individuals, the Land Trust will identify community stakeholders and bring them together to define the forest: its mission, goals and values; how best to determine what lands it should encompass; how to create a management authority and secure financing; how to design the forest and acquire the needed lands. Look for public forums next spring.

The Nisqually Environmental-Services Market: The tremendous forested timberlands of the Nisqually River Valley provide a wealth of environmental services – flood control, water quality, and wildlife habitat, to name a few. It would cost billions of dollars to provide these services through human-built means. How can we reward forest owners for such services and encourage them to keep their forest lands intact?

For example, if retaining forest cover in the Nisqually improves the quantity and quality of the drinking water Olympia, Lacey and Yelm take from the Nisqually system, and does so at a lower cost than systems built by humans to provide the same services, can we create a market that connects provider and user?

In response to a legislative directive, the Nisqually is the focus of a pilot project to create such a market. The Land Trust will play a central role in that process.

The Mount Rainier Gateway Scenic Byway: The Mountain Highway (State Route 7/706) runs through the heart of the Nisqually watershed and is the main entrance to Mount Rainier National Park, home of the state's most iconic natural feature. Some 1.5 million visitors travel this highway every year, making it an economic engine – and, one would assume, inspiring protection of its stunning scenic vistas and forest habitat.

But one would be wrong. The Mountain Highway enjoys no more protection than a Seattle back alley.

To address this, the Land Trust has won a planning grant from the Federal Highway Administration – the first step in gaining Scenic Byway status for what is arguably one of the most important stretches of highway in the state. This planning phase will set the stage for permanent protection of important conservation features along the corridor.

Small watershed, big ideas: Stay tuned.

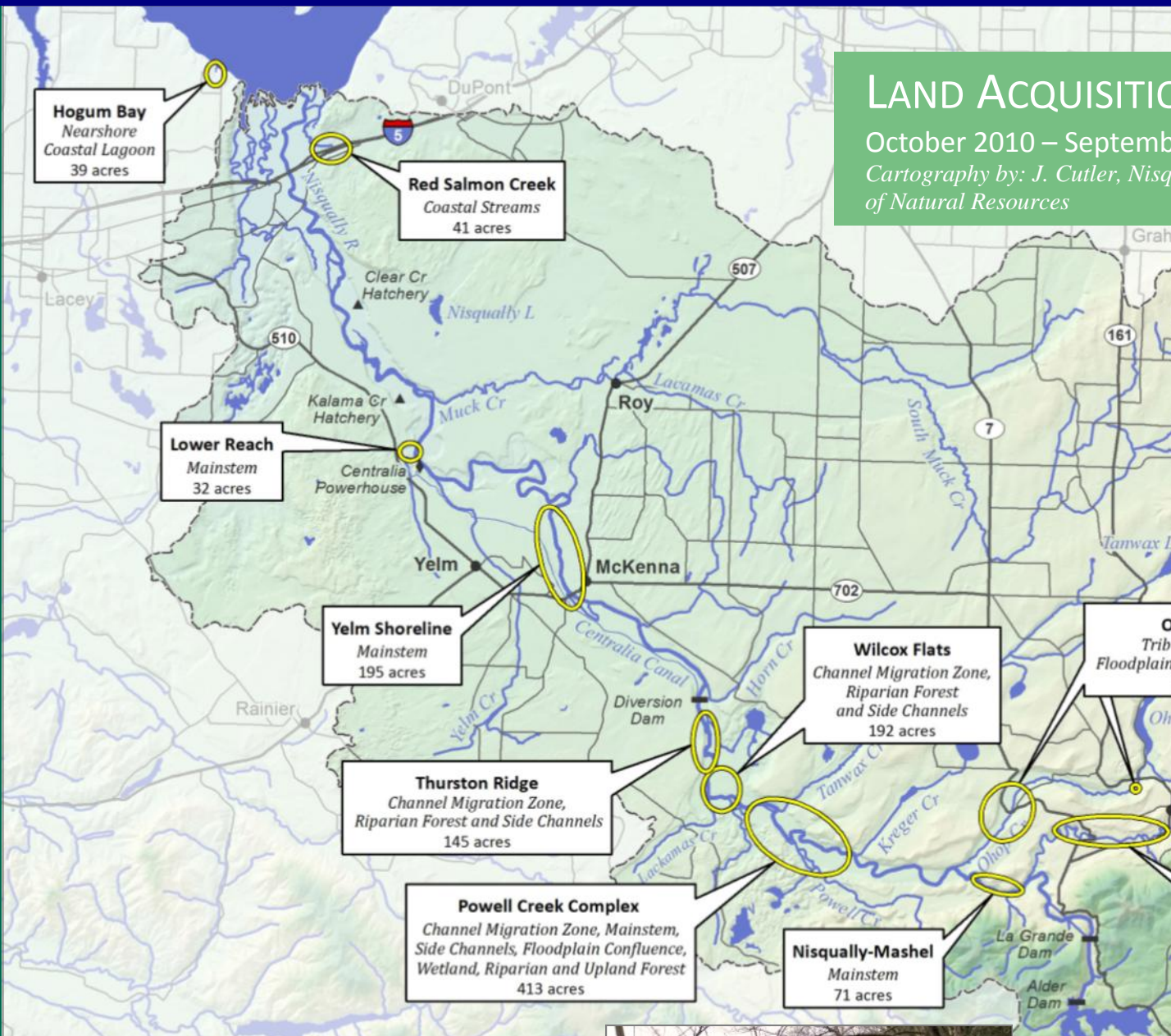


The Land Trust's Mount Rainier Scenic Byway Project will protect important habitat and scenic vistas.

LAND ACQUISITION

October 2010 – September 2011

Cartography by: J. Cutler, Nisqually Land Trust
of Natural Resources



LAND PROTECTION

Acres Protected: 3635

- Fee Ownership: 3500
- Conservation Easement: 67
- Other 68
- Protected October 2010-September 11: 131 acres

Total Shoreline Protected: The Nisqually Land Trust and its partners have permanently protected **75 percent** of the mainstem Nisqually River's 84 shoreline miles.



POWELL CREEK COMPLEX

Van Antwerp: 34 acres

This property includes one-third acre of Nisqually River shoreline including the entire Tanwax Creek confluence with the Nisqually.

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Shop Creek
utory Channel,
, and Riparian Forest
272 acres

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Eatonville



Mashel River

Van Eaton Homestead: 68 acres
See page 1 for details.



Mashel River

Magill: 7 acres

This property is at the heart of the Mashel River Protection Initiative, a cooperative partnership between the Nisqually Land Trust, the Town of Eatonville, Pierce County and the Nisqually Indian Tribe.

Mashel River
In-Stream Habitat Restoration
and Riparian Forest
159 acres

Mount Rainier Forest Reserve
Forest Corridors, Endangered Species
and Scenic Views (Silver Fir Zone)
1926 acres

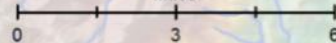
Elbe
Mainstem
15 acres

MANAGEMENT UNITS

One of the Land Trust's objectives is to create large blocks of protected habitat that we refer to as "Management Units." By acquiring adjacent properties and managing them as a unit, we greatly improve the conservation values of the individual parcels. Currently these habitat blocks constitute twelve management units, as shown on this map.



Miles



WITH THANKS AND A FOND FAREWELL

The Land Trust has been extremely lucky to have had Cathie Butler on our board since 2008, much of that time as our treasurer. We offer her our deepest thanks. Cathie joined the board to help guide our three-year strategic-planning process, and during her tenure the Land Trust more than doubled our scope of work, our staff, and our budget.

At the same time, Cathie saw her role as the City of Olympia Communications Manager expand significantly with the construction and launch of the new city hall. This year she resigned from our board to devote more time to her work with the city. We'll miss her at our board meetings but look forward to seeing her and husband Tom Pippin, both long-time Land Trust members, at our events.



Cathie Butler

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January 1- October 15

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Thank you to our members who generously donated or pledged cash and other resources to protect Nisqually Watershed lands forever.

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Salmon—\$50-\$99

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THANKS, DAVID, FOR SEVENTEEN YEARS OF SERVICE

Long-time board member David Troutt left the Land Trust's Board of Directors earlier this year. David, a fisheries biologist by academic training, is the Nisqually Tribe's Natural Resources Director, Chair of the Nisqually River Council, and a member of the Washington Salmon Recovery Funding Board.

David was on the Land Trust board for 17 years (!), including an extended stint as the Secretary, and he has volunteered to join and help us build a Nisqually Land Trust Board of Trustees.

Of course, those of you who regularly attend our annual meeting and salmon bake will know what David is really famous for. He is the greatest salmon cook we know!

We'll miss David on our board, and we are deeply thankful for his long and dedicated service. But be reassured that a condition of his resignation is that he will continue to cook that fantastic salmon for us.



David Troutt, dressed to grill!

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IF YOU RESTORE IT, THEY WILL COME

Don Perry, Outreach and Education Coordinator for the Nisqually Tribe's Salmon Recovery Program, snapped this photo of spawning pink salmon splashing in Ohop Creek's newly restored channel. This Land Trust project restored salmon-friendly meanders that were destroyed a century ago when the creek was straightened for agricultural purposes.

SITE STEWARDS HAVE FUN AND INVEST IN THE FUTURE

Dwight and Sharon Bergquist-Moody are enjoying the mountains and protecting forest habitat as Nisqually Land Trust Site Stewards for our Pope-Lewis property near Ashford and Mount Rainier.

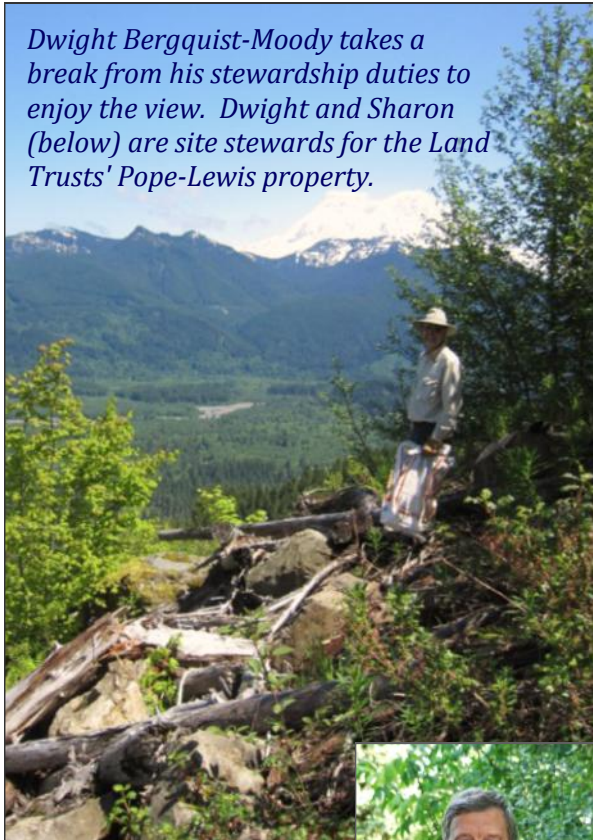
“When we’re up there it is like we have our own private 200 acres to wander *and* we’re doing something positive,” says Sharon. “We love the peace of the place.”

Dwight and Sharon do more than enjoy the scenery, according to Stewardship Coordinator Kim Bredensteiner. “They walk the property, pull invasive weeds and clean up a phenomenal amount of trash from the property.”

The Bergquist-Moody's volunteered after hearing about the program at a Puget Sound Native Plant Society presentation. They agreed to visit their adopted Land Trust property at least quarterly, walking the land and recording vital information for planning stewardship activities.

The couple was surprised to find how much “junk” people had dumped at the remote site. “It’s been quite an eye-opener for us—how people will get all

Dwight Bergquist-Moody takes a break from his stewardship duties to enjoy the view. Dwight and Sharon (below) are site stewards for the Land Trusts' Pope-Lewis property.



the way up there and dump stuff,” says Sharon. “The more you look, the more you find—microwaves, a coffee pot used for target practice, you name it.” She thinks a gate the Land Trust recently installed will curb the dumping.

According to the Bergquist-Moody's, the best part of being site stewards is walking the land. They’ve enjoyed seeing the wildlife, including signs of a passing bobcat, but the panorama that unfolds downslope is what inspires them. “You can see down to the river and to Ashford,” Sharon says.

“Water runs downhill. You can see all these little streams we’re walking end up being a part of the river. What happens here will eventually affect Puget Sound,” says Dwight. He has been sidelined for a bit by some surgery, and can’t wait to get back to site stewarding. “I’m helping the land restore itself,” he says. “This work is investing in the land. It’s going to make a difference.”

What makes a good site steward? “You have to love to be outdoors and in touch with the environment,” says Sharon. Dwight says he and Sharon love to hike, and that makes site stewarding fun. And they like the idea of working on a property in depth, rather than a random planting. “You learn more that way,” says Sharon.

“It’s such a great experience, I’d be surprised if others don’t want to do it,” says Sharon.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer site steward, call Charly Kearns at 360-489-3400 or email him at volunteer@nisquallylandtrust.org.



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To receive our monthly online newsletters, work party announcements, and invitations to events, including property hikes that we announce only by email, sign up today on our website homepage (www.nisquallylandtrust.org), by emailing staff@nisquallylandtrust.org or by calling Candi at 360-489-3400.

Help the Land Trust conserve paper and save money—we’d rather buy land (and trees)!

NISQUALLY LAND TRUST

The Nisqually Land Trust acquires and manages critical lands to permanently protect the water, wildlife, natural areas and scenic vistas of the Nisqually River watershed

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SUPPORTERS GATHER FOR ANNUAL MEETING

About 90 hardy supporters and volunteers braved rainy weather to enjoy pleasant conversation and a tasty salmon dinner at the Nisqually Land Trust's Annual Meeting and Salmon Barbecue event.

Land Trust President George Walter spoke about what the future holds for our growing organization and Executive Director Joe Kane shared Land Trust land acquisition successes. Stewardship Coordinator Kim Bredensteiner wrapped up the meeting with a summary of restoration and stewardship activities, past and upcoming.



Land Trust President George Walter addresses Annual Meeting attendees. Photo courtesy of Kathy & Larry Lindsley.

Our thanks to Nisqually Tribe members Willie Frank and Kevin Kautz, who provided the salmon for our delicious dinner, and to Nisqually Natural Resources Director David Troutt, who grilled the salmon. Thanks also to Land Trust Secretary Patt Brady, Logan Foster and Patrick Foster, who prepared the dinner accompaniments.

We couldn't pull off an event like this without the cadre of volunteers who make sure everything goes smoothly: Shelly Bentley, Emily Brown, Barbara and Tom Cook, J.W. and Nicki Foster, Curran Foster, Mary Gentry, Ben Kogut, William Kogut, Peter Leach, Kathy and Larry Lindsley, Sarah Robischon, Donna Snow, Cheryl Stephan, Tim Tobin, Mark Williams and Diana Willie. Thank you all!



Thank you to HomeStreet Bank, which sponsored our Annual Meeting.

NISQUALLY LAND TRUST CONSERVATION PARTNERS

Thank you to our 2010-2011 partners, listed below, who have provided support for the Land Trust's programs and its mission to protect habitat and scenic vistas in the Nisqually River watershed.

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Washington Department of Natural Resources
Washington Recreation and Conservation Office
Washington Salmon Recovery Funding Board
Washington Service Corps-AmeriCorps
And our many volunteers

NISQUALLY LAND TRUST WORK PARTY CALENDAR

DATE	LOCATION
Saturday, December 3; 9 a.m. – noon Thursday, December 8; 10 a.m.– 1 p.m. Saturday, December 17; 9 a.m. – noon	Yelm Shoreline work party Hogum Bay ivy pull Mashel Shoreline work party
Friday, January 6; 9 a.m.– 3 p.m. Saturday, January 7; 9 a.m.– noon Thursday, January 12; 10 a.m.– 1 p.m.	Yelm Shoreline planting Yelm Shoreline planting Hogum Bay ivy pull
Monday, January 16; Martin Luther King Day Saturday, January 21; 9 a.m.– noon Friday, January 27; 9 a.m.– noon Saturday, January 28; 9 a.m.– noon	Red Salmon Creek ivy pull Yelm Shoreline planting Thurston Ridge planting Thurston Ridge planting
Thursday, February 9; 10 a.m.– 1 p.m. Saturday, February 11; 9 a.m.– noon Saturday, February 25; 9 a.m.– noon	Hogum Bay ivy pull McKenna planting Yelm Shoreline planting
Saturday, March 10, 9 a.m. – noon	Yelm Shoreline planting

For directions and to register for a work party, call (360) 489-3400 or email staff@nisquallylandtrust.org.

NISQUALLY STREAM STEWARDS VOLUNTEER EVENTS

Saturday, December 10: Salmon Carcass Fling—Eatonville, Smallwood Park

Saturday, January 14, 2012: Roy Salmon Homecoming

Contact Don Perry—perry.don@nisqually-nsn.gov—for more information.

REMEMBERING PAUL AND MARGERY

The Land Trust lost two very special friends this past year.

Paul Wiseman was a member of the Land Trust for nearly twenty years. A legendary outdoorsman – he climbed Mount Rainier 29 times and was a founder of the Olympia branch of the Mountaineers – Paul lived to be 98 years old. He attended our annual Salmon Bake every year right up until 2009,

where he took command of slicing the bread, always with a big smile and a bagful of great stories.



Paul Wiseman

Margery Sayre joined the Land Trust more recently but quickly became our biggest supporter and most ardent



Margery Sayre

cheerleader. Margery was a tiny woman with strong convictions and tremendous energy. She rafted the Nisqually with us, sat front and center at our annual dinner and auction gala, and was always a great carouser at our Salmon Bake. Margery left a generous bequest to the Land Trust, which will be used to assure our long-term sustainability.

Margery and Paul had big hearts and great vision, and they will continue to inspire us in our work and in our lives.

TWENTIETH ANNUAL AUCTION AND DINNER

Saturday, March 24, 2012
4 to 9 p.m.



The Annual Auction and Dinner has sold out the past several years and is known for its exciting live auction featuring exceptional Native American and Pacific Northwest art.

Mark your calendars! Nisqually Land Trust's Twentieth Annual Auction & Dinner will be held Saturday, March 24, 2011 from 4 to 9 p.m. at St. Martin's Worthington Center.

You won't want to miss the Land Trust's premiere party and fundraiser. We'll be raising money to support land protection expenses that aren't covered by grants—everything from taxes to tree plantings! Last year's auction was our most successful ever and, with your help, this year will be even better!

You can help!

- Donate an item or service
- Sponsor our auction
- Volunteer—we need volunteers for a variety of pre-event (starting in January) and event-day tasks

Call 360-489-3400 or email cbond@nisquallylandtrust.org if you can volunteer or donate!