



2024 Year in Review

- 1 key final court victory to restore protections for big trees across over 7 million acres of public lands east of the Cascades in OR & WA
- 20 projects watchdogged on public lands across 3 states
- \$300,000 in federal appropriations secured for the restoration of the Wenaha River Trail
- 10 short itineraries launched along the Blue Mountains Trail
- 10 stewardship outings with 75 volunteers
- 624 new supporters and 102 new donors



Director's Note

As we approach the shortest day of the year here in NE Oregon, we've been taking some time to reflect on an eventful 2024 and plan for the year ahead. Our team is proud of our accomplishments this year, including a key [final court victory to restore protections for big trees across over 7 million acres of public lands east of the Cascades in OR & WA](#), our support of the [Camas to Condors Partnership](#), and our work to [expand access to the Blue Mountains Trail](#). We invested heavily in our Stewardship Outings program this year with the goal of providing opportunities for people from all walks of life to act in service of the landscape.

Across all of our programs, we've been humbled by the presence of our community of supporters and advocates who have attended events, submitted comments, and provided expertise to aid our efforts. We appreciate all of you!

With the end of year approaching, you'll see us making a few final fundraising requests to hit our goal for the year. GHCC is committed to providing a voice for the wildlands and wildlife that will face innumerable threats under the new administration. Your support is invaluable in ensuring we can continue to influence land management decisions so that

wildlands, waters, and native species can thrive.

Thank You!

Emily Cain
Executive Director

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<h3>Protections</h3>  <p>This year, we secured a key final court victory to restore protections for big trees across over 7 million acres of public lands east of the Cascades in OR & WA, watchdogged 20 logging, mining, and restoration projects on public lands across 3 states, and continued to advocate for wildlands in the Blue Mountains Forest Revisions process.</p>	<h3>Stewardship</h3>  <p>This year, we engaged 75 volunteers in 10 stewardship-focused outings. Participants worked alongside experts to collect data during botany and bumblebee surveys and built beaver dam analogues. These hands-on activities educated volunteers on habitat restoration, contributed valuable data to our conservation partners, and improved trail accessibility.</p>	<h3>Blue Mtns Trail</h3>  <p>It was an exciting year on the BMT. At least 5 new hikers completed the full 530+ mile route, we launched 10 shorter trip itineraries along the route, and volunteer outings restored sections of the Sugarloaf, N. Fork Umatilla River, Elkhorn Crest, and Malheur Skyline Trails. We also secured \$300,000 in federal dollars for the Forest Service to restore the Wenaha River Trail.</p>
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Volunteer Opportunities

There are many ways to volunteer and we are thrilled to work with our members.

Mountains Trail. We are always looking for conservation advocates.

If you are interested in volunteering with us, be it at a trail stewardship event, doing wildlife and wilderness surveys, monitoring and community science projects, or joining us on a GHCC-led outing, we've created a survey that will help us know where to direct you and which opportunities to send your way. Completing this survey should take 2 minutes or less of your time. Thank you — we look forward to spending time with you!

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