

Saturday Spring Work Parties

Our work parties are a great way to enjoy, learn about, and save ecologically rich habitats alongside dedicated and interesting people.



April

Whetstone Savanna Preserve
Come Celebrate Earth Day!
Family Friendly

Saturday, April 19
9 a.m. to noon

Join us to remove invasive curly dock from vernal pools. Whetstone Savanna is a spring wildflower haven and home to two federally listed endangered plants, Cook's desert parsley and large-flowered meadowfoam, as well as threatened vernal pool fairy shrimp. The 224-acre preserve protects excellent examples of mounded prairie-vernal pool, oak savanna, and chaparral habitats. A portion of the preserve serves as a vernal pool conservation bank where groundbreaking vernal pool and oak restoration is occurring in partnership with the Oregon Department of Transportation.

May

Ashland Watershed
Help the Legacy Trees

Saturday, May 3
8:30 a.m. to noon

Help us rake duff away from the bases of legacy trees to protect them from damage by fire (involves work on steep hillsides). The Ashland Forest Resiliency Stewardship Project is a nationally recognized 10-year collaborative effort to reduce the risk of severe wildfire and protect forests, water quality, wildlife, and people. Explore Ashland's beautiful forest and learn about the dynamic science and community engagement behind this project with The Nature Conservancy, the City of Ashland and Lomakatsi Restoration Project.

June

The Table Rocks Preserve
Family Friendly

Saturday, June 28
8:30 a.m. to noon

Remove invasive yellow starthistle from the top of Upper Table Rock (12 person limit for carpool to the top). Rising dramatically 800 feet above the Rogue River Valley, the Table Rocks are remnants of lava flows that filled the canyons of an ancient, meandering Rogue River over 7 million years ago. Atop these mesas is a mosaic of grassy mounds, stony flats and vernal, or seasonal, ponds. Oak woodlands, savanna and chaparral habitats support abundant plant and wildlife diversity including a number of rare species such as the dwarf woolly meadowfoam and blue-gray gnatcatcher.

Contact Us to Register ➔

Volunteer Classifieds

You can help nature with your knowledge and skills. Current opportunities are listed below.

TABLE ROCK HIKE ASSISTANTS

Assist Hike Leaders on one or more Table Rock Spring Weekend Hikes during April and May. Duties include pick up and drop off of hike materials, checking in participants, providing information on The Nature Conservancy and helping hike leaders manage the group. The list of hikes is finalized – let Molly or Kathy know if you would like to help!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH ASSISTANTS

The Nature Conservancy participates in several community events throughout the year that promote the conservation and preservation of the natural resources and environment of Southwest Oregon. Volunteers are needed to staff information tables at these events. Duties include greeting and interacting with the event attendees and distributing info about The Nature Conservancy. No special knowledge or skills are required but volunteers should enjoy meeting and talking with community members and be enthusiastic about The Nature Conservancy's mission and work. Mostly weekend hours; frequency and length of time involved vary with each event's schedule.

Upcoming event:

» Saturday, April 19th, Rogue Valley Earth Day

DONATION SOLICITATION VOLUNTEER

Our volunteers work hard at the preserves and within the office throughout the year; they appreciate delicious snacks to keep them fueled, plus a little something extra every now and then! Help support our volunteer program by soliciting donations of food and gift items from local businesses and individuals. Fundraising experience is helpful but not necessary. Volunteers should enjoy community outreach and be able to clearly communicate with people about The Nature Conservancy's mission. Hours are flexible.

Table Rock Spring Weekend Hike Series – TAKE IT OUTSIDE!



Every weekend in April and May the Bureau of Land Management and The Nature Conservancy offer free-guided hikes suitable for the whole family. Local experts in various fields including geology, botany, cultural history, astronomy, birds and more lead the hikes.

» Learn more online: <http://nature.org/trhikes>

Get Dirty on Thursday!



The Thursday Crew meets every week at our local preserves to help with current projects including weed removal, rare species monitoring, fencing and more. New faces are always welcome - join us!

» Contact Us to Register

Are you interested in attending a work party or helping with a volunteer classified position?

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