A River Runs Through It

Clackamas River

Carver Boat Ramp

DAMASCUS

BORING

Barton Park

Deep Creek

Eagle Creek

Eagle Fern Park

Clear Creek

ESTACADA

Metzler Park

The Clackamas Watershed

Welcome to Eagle Fern Park, the largest park in Clackamas County. Surrounded by old-growth rainforest, the clear waters of Eagle Creek flow into the Clackamas River, a source of drinking water for 10% of Oregonians. The Chinookan tribes, referred to as the Clackamas People, have called this area home from time immemorial, building canoes and planks from the wood of western red cedar trees like those seen around you. Fish caught at the mouth of Eagle Creek, a native fishing site known as *Apsukh Ichalkham*, were dried and traded with other tribes.

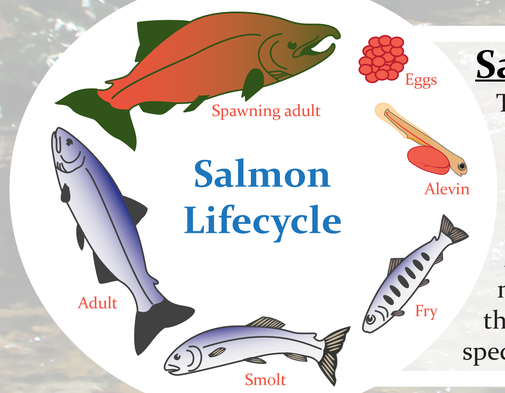
Image by The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

Weed Watch

Invasive weeds spread aggressively, displacing native plants that are essential to Oregon wildlife. Purple loosestrife continues to be introduced as a garden plant, spreading quickly by producing over 2 million tiny seeds a year. It is often found invading wetlands, ponds, and wet pastures. If you spot this weed, report to oregoninvasiveshotline.org

Neighborhood Native

From Douglas fir to Oregon grape, native plants play an important role in the Clackamas River ecosystem. Often the first to flower in late winter, Indian plum is an important source of nectar for hummingbirds, moths, butterflies, and native bees. Its fibrous roots make it an ideal plant for controlling streambank erosion.



Salmon Stronghold

The Clackamas watershed is salmon country, home to Chinook, coho, and steelhead. Salmon are anadromous. They are born in fresh water, migrate to the ocean, and return to the stream where they hatched to spawn. After spawning they die, leaving behind their nutrient rich carcasses to not only nourish their young, but also support 137 other wildlife species that depend on them as a food source.

What Can *You* Do?

Protect fish — keep waterways chemical free
Plant natives — improve habitat for wildlife
Stash the Trash — take out what you take in
Conserve water — use only what you need

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