

Cascade Land Conservancy

Volunteer Land Steward Position Description

Snoqualmie Pass



Become a Volunteer Land Steward

Cascade Land Conservancy (CLC) Volunteer Land Stewards play a central role in the stewardship and monitoring of CLC's conserved lands. Trained by CLC stewardship staff, volunteer stewards monitor properties, document threats, and help with on-the-ground restoration. They are CLC's eyes and ears in the field and ambassadors to neighboring communities.

Site Details

Cascade Land Conservancy is specifically looking to grow the team of Land Stewards for six CLC-acquired properties located along the I-90 corridor, including Gold Creek and the Prine/Noble/Bonnie Creek areas.

CLC efforts at these areas along the I-90 corridor is helping to prevent further human development in these areas, protect habitat for endangered species and ensure connectivity of wildlife habitat in concert with the new wildlife crossing structures along I-90. The northern spotted owl, grizzly bear, gray wolf and Canada lynx, among other species will benefit.

Sites needing stewards include:

Gold Creek – 241 acres



Noble Creek – 659 acres



Keechelus Ridge – 241 acres



Swamp Lake – 308 acres



Resort Creek – 17 acres



Big Creek – 281 acres



Land Steward Responsibilities

- Monitor and maintain written and photographed logs of site conditions
- Perform a minimum of 3-4 monitoring visits annually
- Monitor and report on management concerns including storms, invasive species, garbage dumping, road problems, illegal recreational use
- Promote stewardship by educating neighbors about the property and projects
- Build a community team dedicated to the property by recruiting neighbors, friends and co-workers to help in stewardship and conservation advocacy
- *Required:* personal vehicle (preferably with 4WD) and ability to hike long distances (1-2 mi) on steep terrain both on and off trail

Benefits of Becoming a Land Steward

- Learn about stewarding large forested tracts of lands in Washington's central Cascades
- Utilize and build expertise by inventorying natural resource features including wetlands, rivers, tree snags, rare plants, forestry conditions, and invasive plants
- Invitation to annual trainings and access to training materials including an introductory training specifically created for Snoqualmie Pass Land Stewards
- Support from CLC stewardship and conservation staff
- CLC Land Steward vest and hat

Background

Over the past 20 years, Cascade Land Conservancy (CLC) has conserved more than 170,000 acres from small community parks to working land spanning tens of thousands of acres. Over the next 100 years, our region's populations will double. Conserving our lands now protects them from sprawl and ensures that our natural landscapes, farms and working forests remain vibrant.

Get Involved

Thank you for your interest in becoming a CLC Volunteer Land Steward!

Please submit email with interest and applicable experience to landsteward@cascadeland.org with "Snoqualmie Land Steward" as the subject title.

Please send general questions to volunteer@cascadeland.org

CLC will be accepting applications for this volunteer position on a rolling basis. A tentative Snoqualmie Pass Volunteer Land Steward site tour is scheduled for September 2011