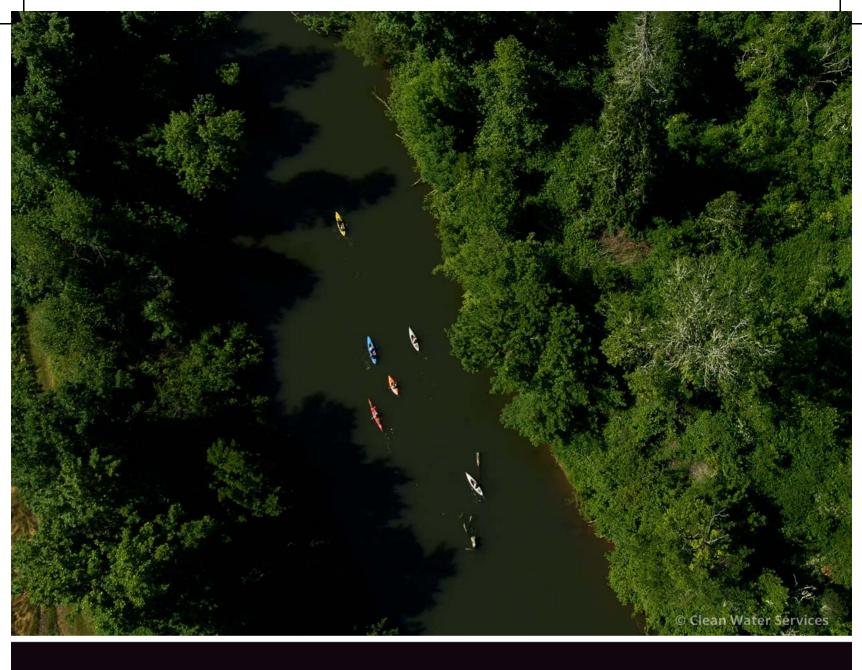
# 2021 Annual Report

# TUALATIN RIVERKEEPERS®



Tualatin Riverkeepers continues to push for sustainability advocacy and community stewardship in the Tualatin River watershed. This year has been another tough year for all of us, but we're so excited to continue our work with valued partners, agencies, community stakeholders, and supporters like you to keep moving forward into the future, while providing opportunities for pubic input and working to reduce barriers to sustainable, healthy environments for everyone to enjoy.

In addition to reviewing nearly every available wetland fill permit, and submitting comments on a wide range of water quality issues, our coalition work expanded to include groups like the **Forest Waters Coalition**, where we help push for waterway protections on private forest lands, and where we're poised to achieve major success during the next legislative session to protect headwater habitats. We're also engaging with local agencies and governments to push for bold steps toward sustainable action by serving on **3 planning advisory committees** to guide decision-making. In all of our advocacy work, we continue to be here in the watershed fighting for better environmental outcomes through the public participation process.



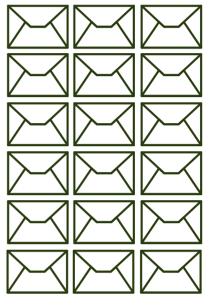
We also launched **Keeper Patrol** to assign paddle volunteers a stretch of the river to help us assess river and launch conditions throughout the year. So far, Keeper Patrol includes **5 volunteers** who have turned in **13 reports** while paddling and observing over **30 river miles**.

And speaking of volunteers, our activated force of **52** volunteers spent a total of **2126** hours volunteering with Tualatin Riverkeepers this year. That's an average of 16 hours per volunteer, who have each helped us clean boats, lead trips, keep on top of membership data, and more.



# 2021 BY THE NUMBERS:

18 Written Comments submitted for review



10 Action Alerts calling for community input



## Tualatin Riverkeepers Membership

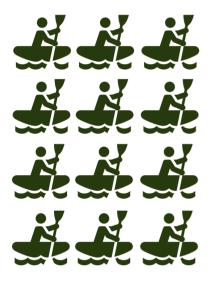


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### 12 Summer River Paddles with our nature camps

and with partners like...

Centro Cultural, Community Partners for Affordable Housing, Breast Friends, and more.



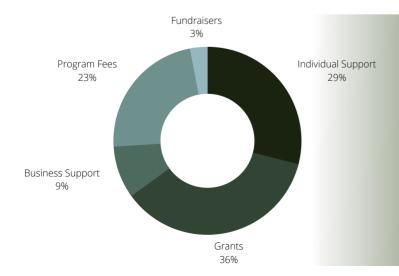
We began getting back together again this summer through nature observation and paddling at **River Adventures Summer Camps.** We heard from many of our **66** campers that it was your first time attending an event in almost 2 years, and we're so glad you chose to explore environmental learning with us. And we partnered with **Centro Cultural** to paddle with their summer programs too!



**River Rentals** continued to connect our community with the river that runs through it. Over **1650** boats went out to explore, and that includes **67** from our new pop up rentals at Rood Bridge Park. We hit capacity all 3 days in Hillsboro, and are hopeful we can expand next year.

We also held our first **Paddle Tualatin** event this year. As an official National Trail, it's part of our job to keep the trail educational and accessible. This summer we took decision-makers out to talk about access improvements together. And we continued to work with partners like **Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District** to provide opportunities for watershed stewardship through events like **Weed Watchers**.





### Where does our support come from?

As always, we can't do it without you, and we are so thankful for the support of our community as we change and evolve. Thanks to you, our future is still bright.

And a huge thank you to funders like:

Metro, Meyer Memorial Trust, Portland Timbers Community Fund, Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District, Oregon State Marine Board, City of Tigard, and many more.



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Interested in hearing more about our year and our upcoming plans? Join us for our Annual Meeting on Sunday January, 30th at 2:00 pm. Please see tualatinriverkeepers.org/events/annual-meeting for more details.

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### **OUR MISSION**

Tualatin Riverkeepers (TRK) is a community-based organization that protects and restores the Tualatin River watershed. We build watershed stewardship through engagement, advocacy, restoration, access, and education.

TRK became a nonprofit in 1993 and is tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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