Minutes of Cascade Volcanoes Chapter Great Old Broads – April 16, 2024

PLEASE NOTE – SEVERAL EVENTS COMING THIS WEEKEND

Meeting began with a round of introductions (including two new people) and a land acknowledgement.

**Advocacy**

Oregon – BLM and USFS will be requesting comments on changes to the NW Forest Plan. The 21” rule for eastside forests has been reinstated in both states.

Washington – DNR has canceled some timber sales due to pressure from community. Washington residents should vote NO on the repeal of the climate commitment act.

FIELD CHECKING TRAINING WITH CENTER FOR RESPONSIBLE FORESTRY – meet at 11 AM 4/20 at 360 Coffee in Vancouver to carpool to timber sale site.

Carolyn has taken ADVOCACY TRAINING through a program sponsored by Mazamas. They offer Public Lands 101 and Protecting Public Lands 101. CAROLYN WILL SET UP ONE OR BOTH FOR OUR BROADS MEETING TBD.

There will be a decision in April regarding grizzly bear reintroduction in North Cascades.

**Stewardship**

Laurie notes that we have 24 sessions to go on the **solitude monitoring project** for USFS in Indian Heaven. We will concentrate on high use times. She will post schedule in May on Stewardship Google group.

**Education**

Killers of the Flower Moon book group will meet at Laurie’s; they may watch the movie.

WA State Trails Coalition will meet in Wenatchee Oct 3-5. Broads have put in a proposal to talk about solitude monitoring and collaboration with agencies. OR Trails Coalition will meet in Sun River in December.

Barb Mickey has joined the Equity and Justice Committee.

**Fun**

MT. ST. HELEN’S BROADWALK – AUGUST 7-11   All PNW Broadbands invited – 40 participant limit.  Laurie, Carolyn, and Mickey are putting together schedule and speakers as well as hikes and dance party. Camping is $375; inside lodging $450.

WILDERNESS AND BEYOND NATIONAL CONFERENCE Oct. 14-17 Estes Park, CO

CAMPOUT July 18-21 at Camp Wilkerson, Vernonia, OR $60 20-person/10 car limit No Pets.

SILVER FALLS JOINT HIKE WITH WILLAMETTE BROADS April 24     Vancouver Crew meets at Salmon Creek Park & Ride at 8 a.m. and Portland Crew at Tualatin Park & Ride at Bridgeport at 8:30 a.m.      Hike Trail of 10 Falls.    State Park Pass or daily fee for parking.  Please reimburse drivers $10.

ROWENA CREST HIKE April 30. Barb will get details out by Monday.