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# JULY 2022

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*“Very few people on earth ever get to say: ‘I am doing, right now, the most important thing I could possibly be doing.’ If you’ll join this fight that’s what you’ll get to say.” -*

Bill McKibben

## **Solitude and Recreation Site Monitoring Mt Washington Wilderness**

There have been some cancellations for the training at Marion Lake on July 13 AND July 14 (one day training on two dates) so there are still some available slots. The purpose of the training is to learn how to do solitude and recreation site monitoring this summer in the Mt Washington Wilderness. Please choose either date to sign up [HERE](#) for the training and to receive more information. We will meet at the Marion Lake Trailhead at 10:30 and be out all day.

Doing the day hiking or backpacking trips to do the monitoring throughout the summer will make you eligible for gas money, a Broad’s T-shirt and a meal after your shift. The four trailheads in the Mt Washington Wilderness are described in the sign-up. To sign up and get more information please go [HERE](#).



Cyrel Gable, Chandra LeGue, Maya Abels, Carolyn Peterson, Cyndi Anderson and new Western Field Coordinator for Oregon Wild, Kelly Fuller on the challenging Kentucky Falls hike led by Chandra last month. The photographer is Becky Garrett.

**Wednesday, July 20**  
**Forest Treatment Observation Hike**  
**9:00 - 12:00**

Hike with leadership team member Laura Ouellette to observe the variety of forest management techniques and the diverse array of tree species of the McDonald & Dunn Research Forests north of Corvallis. Meet at the Peavy Arboretum parking lot at 9:00 am. Here we will hike an easy mile on the “intensive management trail.” Then we’ll drive up to the Lewisburg saddle and hike through mature forest reserves, even-aged plantations and everything in between. Sign up for the hike [HERE](#). For more information contact Laura at [logizmos@gmail.com](mailto:logizmos@gmail.com).



Jane Dods & Su Libby last August tabling at the Eugene Saturday Market.

**WANTED:** Volunteers to table at Saturday Farmer's Markets in Corvallis and Albany! We're looking for one or two volunteers willing to set up a table and engage with attendees about the Great Old Broads for Wilderness and, specifically, the Climate Forests Campaign we support. Please reach out if you are willing to spend a few hours on a Saturday this summer or fall spreading the word about our organization and this campaign. We'll provide everything you need for tabling.

Contact Cyndi for more information at [541-570-1055](tel:541-570-1055) or

[thebrownsvillehouse@gmail.com](mailto:thebrownsvillehouse@gmail.com).

## Wednesday, July 27

### Trip to the FLAT COUNTRY Proposed Timber Sale Area

Flat Country is a public lands timber sale off of Highway 126 which is 2 hours from Corvallis. It is slated for a regeneration harvest (aka clear cut) despite objections from Oregon Wild and Cascadia Wildlands. Flat Country fits into the "Top 10 Bad Logging Projects" as identified by the Climate Forests Campaign with trees ranging from 40 to 140 years old. This hiking trip is an opportunity for the Broads to hike some of these pristine parcels before they are cut down. The area has been field checked by Cascadia Wildlands, so this is not a classic field checking trip. There is a "sort of trail" on one of the units, but the terrain it is fairly flat and open for hiking. There are some beautiful water features and classic mature forests to enjoy.

Madeline Cowen from Cascadia Wildlands has offered to lead this trip. We will meet in Corvallis to form carpools and then drive to Ollalie Campground on Hwy 126 to meet up with Madeline and others from the Wildcats team. We will then drive to the parcels that are the most beautiful.

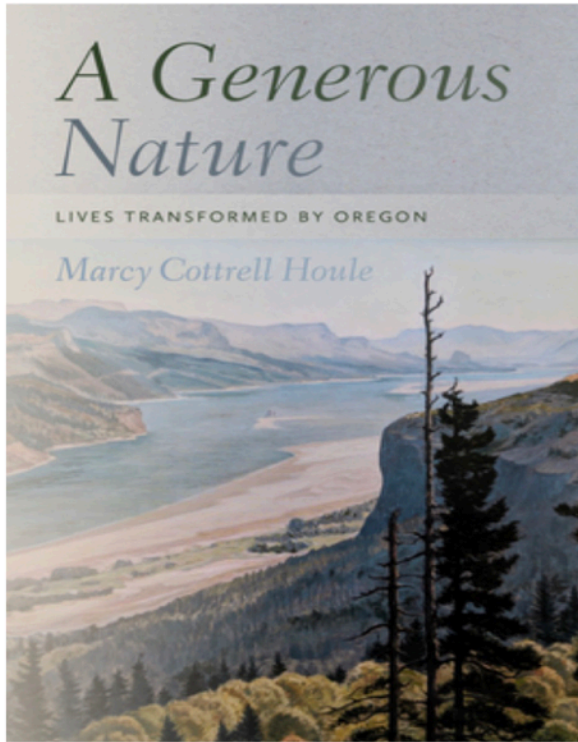
The Corvallis folks can meet behind the Super 8 at 8:30 a.m.

The Eugene and mid-valley folks can meet at Ollalie Campground on Highway 126 at 10:30 a.m.

Chandra will identify some advocacy activities for us to do to help bring more awareness this egregious project.

**Please notify Nancy Mauter at [nanmauter@gmail.com](mailto:nanmauter@gmail.com) if you would like to participate.**

We will be following the Great Old Broads COVID 19 protocols. Participates need to be vaccinated and masks required for carpooling.



**Save the date and get your book!**

(It's available through OSU Press:  
[osupress.oregonstate.edu](https://osupress.oregonstate.edu) )

**Summer Book Broads with  
Carol**

**Friday, September 9**

**4:00 pm**

**Location TBD**

Carol has selected "A Generous Nature: Lives transformed by Oregon" by Marcy Cottrell Houle, for our summer read. It's about conservationists, most unknown to us, who have made enduring contributions to the preservation of Oregon's wild places.

*And Of Special Interest...*

**July 11 at 3:00 join Bill McKibben - Climate Activism in Life's Third Act.**

**FREE to Broads members.**

**Get details and register [HERE](#).**

### **The Oregon Wild Outdoor Photo Contest**

*An annual tradition with a 15-year history.*

*This is your opportunity to share photos of Oregon's beautiful wildlands, waterways, native wildlife, and the people who enjoy them.*

Submit your photos in five categories:

**Wildlands & Waters** - From stunning peaks and vibrant forests to dynamic rivers, featuring wildlands and waters as a unique part of Oregon's natural heritage.

**Wildlife** - Featuring Oregon's incredible diversity of native fish and wildlife.

**Endangered Places** - Giving special focus to Oregon's climate forests.

**\*NEW\* People** - Featuring the people who enjoy Oregon outdoors.

**\*NEW\* Social Media Photography** - Giving space to up-and-coming phone and social media photographers.

Submissions will be judged by a diverse panel of photographers, outdoor recreationists, bloggers, and local business owners, in addition to Oregon Wild staff.

Prizes include a package from ProPhoto Supply worth \$250, a 2-night stay at Smith Creek Lodge, Trout Creek Wilderness Resort, Cyndi's Riverhouse on the Alsea near Waldport, or Barking Mad Farm, a photography masterclass from Greg Vaughn, and more!

Find out how to enter by going to this link:

<https://www.photocontest.oregonwild.org/>

## Advocacy Action to Take NOW

### Rule Change Leaves Millions of Acres of Old-Growth Forests Open to Destruction!

PLEASE - read the details and act [HERE](#).

## Wildlife Protection

If you would like to join the mailing list to focus on [wildlife issues](#) contact Su Libby at [bigwiscon@gmail.com](mailto:bigwiscon@gmail.com)

***Did you know that the Willamette Valley Broadband  
has a FaceBook page? It's right [HERE](#).***

**Great Old Broads for Wilderness (Broads)  
is a national grassroots organization,  
led by women, that engages and inspires activism  
to preserve and protect wilderness and wild lands.**

For more information about the Great Old Broads for Wilderness and to  
join for just \$30 per year visit the website [greatoldbroads.org](http://greatoldbroads.org).

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