

PROJECT REVIEW SHEET - EZ1

HISTORIC & CULTURAL RESOURCES REVIEW

Property / Client Name: Spurgeon Creek Acquisition & Restoration, 11-1556
Worksite Name/Number: Bentley property (Worksite 1 of 1)
Funding Agency: Rec. and Conserv. Office

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PLEASE DESCRIBE THE TYPE OF WORK TO BE COMPLETED

(Be as detailed as possible to avoid having to provide additional information)

Provide a detailed description of the proposed project:

Spurgeon Creek is a cold water tributary of the Deschutes River in Thurston County which provides important habitat for salmonids in different stages of the life cycle. This project will conserve, through acquisition of a permanent 14-acre conservation easement on the Bentley property, over 1800 feet of Spurgeon Creek riparian habitat and associated uplands. It will also replace a failing and partially blocking pair of culverts in Spurgeon Creek that are under the driveway to the property. The site is located on the mainstem of Spurgeon Creek at River Mile 1 (one mile up from the confluence with the Deschutes River). This unique site currently contains intact and restored riparian buffer conditions as well as palustrine emergent wetlands, meadow, a forested pond, and mixed conifer upland forest. The primary objective of the project is to permanently protect this section of the stream corridor in order to provide critical habitat for salmonids in an area that is heavily impacted by agriculture and development, and to prevent the failing culverts from becoming a complete fish barrier. The species supported by this project are Deschutes Coho, Winter Steelhead, Fall Chinook, Coastal Cutthroat Trout, and Olympic Mudminnow. The secondary objective of the project is to build on the sustained efforts of community groups and volunteers who have restored the riparian buffer on this property through successive native plantings over the last five years.

Describe existing project site conditions.

Historically this 16 acre property was primarily agricultural, although at one point the meadow area was used for motorized recreation. The current landowner has owned the property for eight years and is very conservation minded. She does small scale intensive permaculture on 3 acres of the property and has several farm and shop buildings. The permaculture and building areas will not be included in the easement. The rest of the property consists of the intact riparian buffer to approximately 1800 feet of Spurgeon Creek, 3 acres of wetlands including a forested pond, a small area of mature upland forest and an upland meadow that is returning to native vegetation.

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Describe any proposed ground disturbing activities. That is, will a tool(s) be used to move earth (soil, rock, gra

Replacing the culverts will require localized earth moving in and around the driveway and creek. Tools will include mechanized earth-moving equipment, such as an excavator and/or backhoe.

Will buildings be altered or demolished? If so please complete a DAHP Determination of Eligibility EZ2 form for each building affected by the proposed project and attach the form to your project in PRISM. <http://www.dahp.wa.gov/pages/Documents/Sites.htm>

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If no PRISM map, please attach a copy of the relevant portion of a 7.5 series USGS quad map and outline the project impact area.
(USGS Quad maps are available on-line at <http://www.topozone.com>)

Worksite Location (identified with star):

Address: 9404 Crete St SE, Olympia, WA 98501

Township: 17N
Range: 01W
Section: 20

City:
County: Thurston
Latitude: 46.95
Longitude: -122.84

