# Watershed Scale Habitat Restoration of Lower Klamath Tributaries



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# **Discussion Topics**

Complementary wood loading & off-channel construction techniques in 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> Order Streams

Bank Based Jams Bar Apex Jams Stumps Off-Channel Features

**Biologic Hot Spots** 

Tributary Confluences Pre-existing Side Channels & Wetlands Springs Beaver Activity

#### Long Term Approach

Wood loading & augmentation applied until natural recruitment supplies wood needed to restore geomorphic function and self-maintaining habitat requirements

## Hyporheic Exchange Mechanisms and Function



Redd Site Selection and Spawning Habitat Used by Chinook Salmon. From: Geist & Dauble (1998). Geomorphic Controls on Hyporheic Exchange. From: Wondzell & Gooseff (Pre-Print). Influence of Subsurface Structures on Hyporheic Exchange. From: Ward et al. (2011).

# **Project Locations**



### Hunter Creek Watershed



### **Hunter Creek Watershed**









As-Built 2012

Tributary Confluence



#### Post 5-yr RI flood WY15





### Hunter Creek Site 7 – BAJ 1





### Hunter Creek Site 7 BAJ 2, BBJs & Stumps







### Hunter Creek Site 7 BAJ 2





### Hunter Creek Site 7 BAJs and BRJ





#### First flows 2014



### Hunter Creek BAJ 3 – Chaos Jam



#### Construction 2012



### Hunter Creek BAJ 3 – Chaos Jam

As-Built 2014



#### First flows 2014



### Hunter Creek BAJ 3 – Chaos Jam





### Hunter Creek Site 7 Bank Based Jams



### Hunter Creek Site 7 – BAJ 4, 5 & 6



### Hunter Creek Site 7 BAJ 6





### Hunter Creek Site 7 – BAJ 6

















First Flows 2014





#### First Flows 2014



#### Post 5-yr RI flood WY15



### **Terwer Creek**



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### Terwer Creek Integrated Use of ELJs, Alcoves & BioEngineering

ELJ 4

**Alcove A** 

ELJ 3 Alcove B ELJ 2 ELJ 1 Willow Baffles

Crib Wall Jam



#### Terwer Creek First Winter Post-Project



#### **Side Channel**

# Next Steps



VALLEY FLOOR MANAGED AS TRANSPORTATION & FLOOD CORIDOR

ECO-HYDRAULIC FUNCTION DISRUPTED BY FLOODPLAIN ROADS, LEVEES AND OTHER LAND USES

VALLEY FLOOR MANAGED AS FLOODPLAIN

**RELOCATE ROAD** 

DISEMCUMBER THE CHANNEL MIGRATION ZONE

**BEAVER AS LEAD-ENGINEER** 

# Salmon Need Wood – We Need Salmon



# **Off Road Vehicle Impacts**

