



# Funding available to Union County for Grande Ronde Watershed Restoration

**You may be eligible to receive financial assistance through the USDA's Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP).**

## ▶ save water

Funding is now available to farmers, ranchers and forestland owners in Union County to help them save water and improve fish habitat, thanks to a new watershed restoration project beginning this year.

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is offering the funding under a new five-year project called **the Grande Ronde Watershed Conservation Partnership**.

The Upper Grande Ronde is home to a number of federally-endangered species, including the spring Chinook salmon, summer steelhead and bull trout. NRCS and project partners are working together on in-stream habitat improvements.

## ▶ improve the habitat

Farmers and ranchers may receive funding to help them with projects such as:

- ▶ removing barriers to fish passage,
- ▶ prescribed grazing,
- ▶ off-channel water developments,
- ▶ fencing,
- ▶ improving streamside riparian habitat,
- ▶ irrigation efficiency and forest health.

These types of projects will help farmers and ranchers reduce soil erosion and run-off into streams to improve water quality.

For more information, find us online at:

[www.or.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.or.nrcs.usda.gov)

## are you eligible?

**If your land falls within the boundary indicated below, you may be eligible for funding.**



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