



UPPER DESCHUTES
WATERSHED COUNCIL

Creekside Park Stream Restoration Project – Update as of 7-15-2022

Who: The Upper Deschutes Watershed Council is partnering with the City of Sisters to restore habitat and improve fish passage and improve and consolidate access to Whychus Creek at Creekside Park.

What: During the months of August, September and October, Whychus Creek will not be accessible to the public at Creekside Park. In August, habitat restoration to restore eroding streambanks, improve passage for fish and creation of new habitat in the creek will be taking place. Four access points will also be created to improve and consolidate access to the creek from the park and campground. This work will culminate with fencing and planting native riparian plants along the creek in September and October.

Where: the project is happening at Creekside Park between Locust Street and Highway 20. During the project, exclusion fencing will keep the public away from the creek. The Creekside Campground will remain open during this work but the hiker/biker campsites will be relocated to other sites away from the creek during construction.

When: Large equipment will be arriving at the park and exclusion fencing will be going up the week of July 25, 2022. Work in the creek is planned to begin the week of August 1st lasting approximately three weeks. Sisters residents may notice dump trucks hauling rocks and logs associated with the project being moved from a staging area on Three Creeks Road to Creekside Park.

Grants have been awarded to the Upper Deschutes Watershed Council to complete this work. Funders include Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, Pelton Round Butte Fund, and the Sunderland Foundation. Questions about the project can be directed to Kris Knight at the Upper Deschutes Watershed Council at 541-382-6103.