



FOREST YOUTH SUCCESS



2025 SEASON SUMMARY

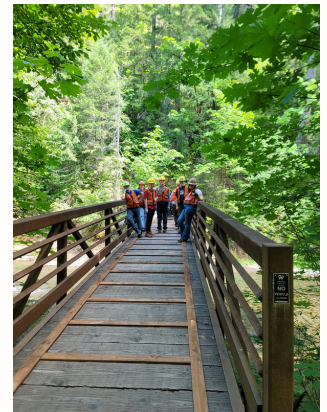
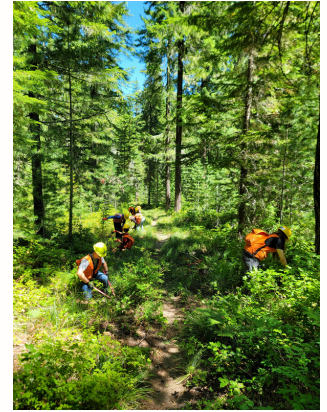
FYS is a workforce training program offered for Skamania County teens in partnership with WSU Extension 4-H, the Stevenson-Carson School District, and the U.S. Forest Service. We are so grateful we could run a modified season in 2025 and appreciate all of the support from our community and our partners! It was a great summer!



PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

In addition to working hard on the projects below, FYS teens learned about teamwork, first aid, wilderness safety, on-the-job safety, how to be a good employee and co-worker, stewardship, forestry, as well as how to apply for future jobs and budgeting with their paychecks.

- At the Bonneville Dam, crews collected **96** 30-gallon bags of common tansy, cleared **24** bags of trash from the Columbia River Shoreline, and cleared approximately **1500** square yards of brush to provide a defensible area in case of fire along Hamilton Island trails.
- We packed in the equipment & materials alongside our Forest Service partner and helped install anti-slip boards on a 91-foot bridge for the safety of equestrians on the Panther Creek Bridge on the PCT. We also cleared **~100** yards of trail between the bridge and associated campground.
- We spent much of the summer at Oldman Pass clearing **~4** miles of ski and tubing trails of brush, saplings, and a variety of invasives. Crews recreated a 10x10ft wide corridor on OK loop, Trail 151, Klindt's trail and a 12x12ft corridor on Trail 150. We also located, cleaned, and reported on conditions of multiple pedestrian bridges.
- Each crew worked with a local fish hatchery, where we cleared a **150ft** drainage ditch, removed **400 yards** of brush along fence lines, and filled **34** truckloads with brush for fuels reduction along roadsides.
- We also performed general trail maintenance at Hemlock Recreation Area, Whistlepunk Trail, and brushed out the road between Government Mineral Springs Campground and Cabin in the South Gifford Pinchot.



NEW THIS YEAR

To help address food insecurity and ensure our hard working crews had access to nutrition, we were thrilled to join forces this year with the Backwoods Foundation to establish a food pantry. They kept our teen participants fed throughout the duration of the program!



FYS SNAP SHOT

\$113,000

2025 FUNDS SECURED

Thank you to the U.S. Forest Service-Gifford Pinchot National Forest and Cascade Forest Conservancy for prioritizing FYS for funds this year!

\$96,900

2025 PROGRAM COST

This cost includes labor, transportation, training, and supplies.

18

YOUTH HIRES

4

ADULT HIRES

3

CREWS

5

PROJECT PARTNERS

3090

LABOR HOURS



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