

# Restoration Economy: The hands that touch the land

## Did you know



The AFR project is a nationally recognized model for community-based ecological forestry and workforce training programs.

### Forest Stewardship

Forest restoration helps the local economy and ecology.

Preparing for and using fire as a management tool in the watershed supports jobs across the restoration economy.



**Project partners foster new restoration businesses** and create workforce capacity to support a local, sustainable, ecologically sound, green economy.

**Ecological forestry restores ecosystems** and sustains communities by creating hundreds of green jobs while supplying logs to local mills.

## Results:

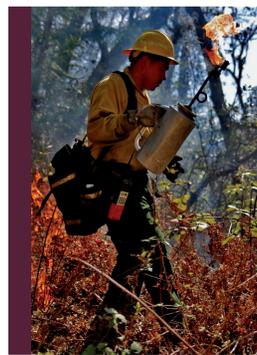


17 full-time and 107 indirect jobs in the local economy; regional workforce trained.



14 million board feet of logs to local mills = one thousand homes, 2,000 sq. ft. each.

## Honoring ancient ways

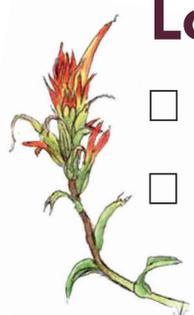


Through close collaboration with tribal leaders and communities, project partners are weaving together Western science with Traditional Ecological Knowledge. Indigenous people of the Rogue Valley have used fire as a tool since time immemorial.

Traditional Ecological Knowledge and other shared cultural practices are assisting the partners in understanding ecocultural restoration. The traditions of the indigenous ancestors of the Rogue Valley still guide us today.

## Look for:

- Wildflowers or new growth
- Thinned forests, sunlight, lack of competing trees



### By-Products of Restoration Work

The project supports forest-related enterprises by providing logs to local mills for lumber and plywood. These materials are by-products of improving the health of the forest.

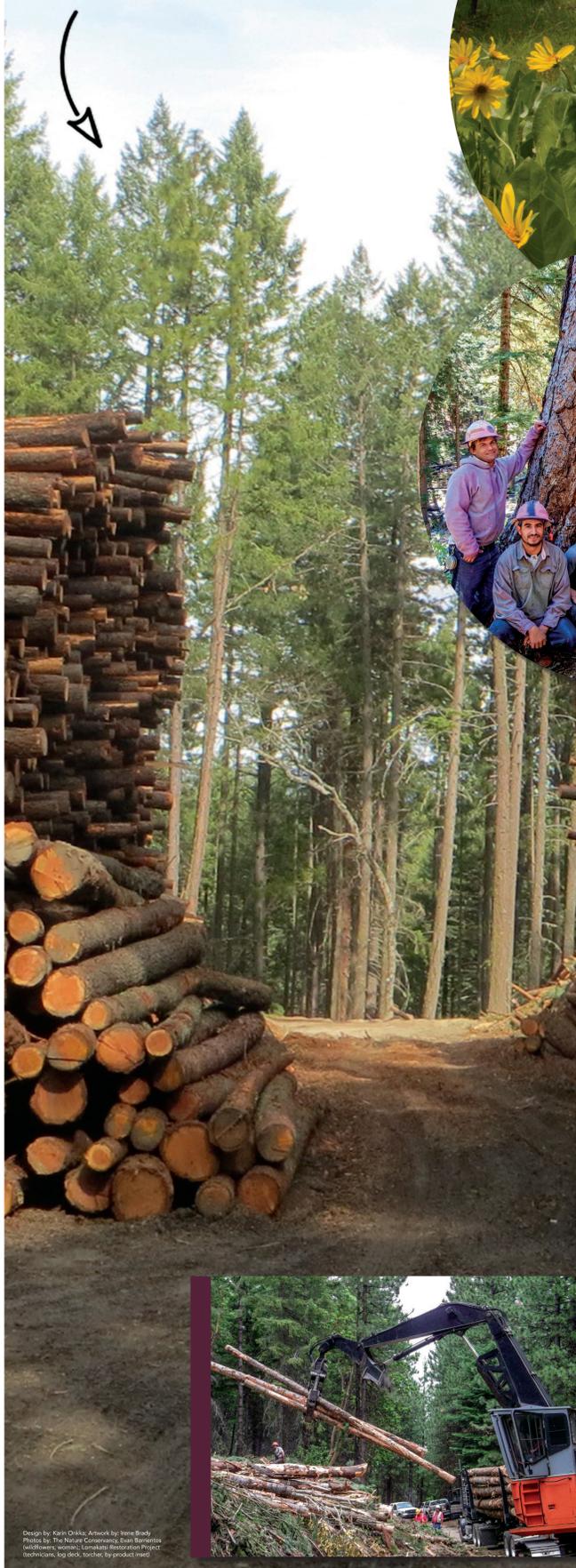
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**Our stewardship project helps our local economy.**

**The Ashland Forest Resiliency Stewardship Project (AFR)** is a collaborative forest restoration project that reduces the risk of severe wildfire across public and private land in and around the Ashland Watershed.

We work to protect old trees, wildlife habitat, homes, trails and our water source by thinning overcrowded forests and conducting controlled burns.



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