



Advocating for
wildlands since 1967

A golden eagle drifts above Hells Canyon—North America’s deepest river gorge. Snow-capped Wallawas rise above alpine lakes. Great gray owls swoop from grand firs. Wolves howl. Wolverines prowl. Chinook salmon spawn in crystal-clear tributaries.

Greater Hells Canyon Council is the only grassroots nonprofit focused exclusively on this magnificent region of four million acres. We’re small, dedicated, and place-based. Our roots run deep. We began more than a half-century ago when a few conservationists banded together to achieve the impossible. They stopped a dam on the Snake River that would have flooded Hells Canyon.

Hells Canyon National Recreation Area is the centerpiece within vast and interconnected canyons, forests, rivers, mountains, and wildflower meadows—a crossroads of three ecoregions.

WHAT WE DO TO KEEP WILDLANDS WILD

CONSERVATION ROUND-UP

We’re dedicated to protecting the places people love, from the Lostine River canyon to the Imnaha River’s big pines. We’re alert to timber sales, grazing projects, and motorized vehicle damages. GHCC is an active partner of the Stop B2H and Save our Wild Salmon coalitions, and the campaign to expand Oregon’s Wild & Scenic Rivers.



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THREE FEATURED PROJECTS

PROTECT big trees and ancient forests

GHCC is stepping up to protect large and mature trees across national forests east of the Cascades in Oregon and Washington, threatened by a proposal to scrap a decades-old rule that protects trees 21 inches in diameter and larger from logging.

CREATE Blue Mountains Trail

In fall of 2020, GHCC officially launched Oregon's newest long-distance trail – a 566-mile adventure that spirals from Joseph to John Day. The Trail links Northeast Oregon's seven wilderness areas and the majority of Oregon's peaks over 9000 feet. Where recreation connects with conservation, community, culture, and economic renewal, we anticipate visionary outcomes!

CONNECT Camas to Condors

Envision California Condors once again gliding above Hells Canyon and meadows of purple camas, a traditionally harvested food. We've joined the Nez Perce tribe and other collaborators planning for climate resilience across the landscape. Our goals? Plentiful, clear water, habitat linkages for wildlife, homes for rare species, and empowered traditional knowledge keepers in conservation.

BECOME A GREATER HELLS CANYON COUNCIL MEMBER TODAY!

We work to connect, protect, and restore the wild lands, waters, native species and habitats of the Greater Hells Canyon Region. We are watchdogs, collaborators, and passionate advocates.

We depend on the support of our members and allies. Will you help us ensure that future generations can hike, hunt, fish, boat, camp, and wander in the wilds that we cherish today?

Thank you for joining, renewing your membership, volunteering, or becoming a major donor.

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