

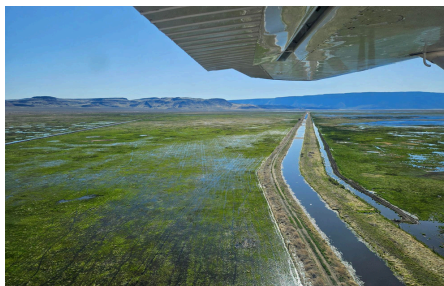


RESULTS THAT MATTER

The IWJV's work benefits both landowners and wildlife. State- and locally driven solutions help keep western landscapes and western communities intact.

MODERNIZING FLOOD IRRIGATION INFRASTRUCTURE

not only benefits livestock producers, it supports 60 percent of the temporary wetlands important for migratory birds in the West, while enhancing aquifer recharge and late-season flows in streams and rivers.



"The Working Wet Meadows Initiative recognizes and validates agricultural flood irrigation practices that significantly contribute to the critical habitat for migratory birds while providing forage production necessary for ranch sustainability."

-Dan Nichols, McCoy Creek Ranch, Oregon

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

keep working lands intact while providing benefits to people and wildlife far beyond property lines. Research from Colorado shows a **return of \$6 in public benefits for every \$1 invested in conservation easements.**



"I want to think that I have done something that will have a significant impact for future generations. With easements, you keep the beauty and the productivity of the ranch for perpetuity."

-Jim Genasci, Genasci Ranch, California



IMPLEMENTING LOW-TECH RESTORATION

practices and techniques, such as beaver dam analogs (BDAs) and Zeedyk structures, can **increase forage productivity by up to 25 percent** and maintain green vegetation that persists even after wildfire.

"The more infiltration we get, the more my spring will flow down there into a pond that then irrigates the lower field. I could spend \$100,000 building a new dam, or the BDAs might just do it in a more natural way."

-Kent Baker, landowner, Utah

