



## 2016 SUMMARY



The Resources and People (RAP) Camp program held its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event, June 12-18, 2016. Students from Northern and Central California and throughout Southwest Oregon enjoyed a week of fun activities and learning.

The RAP Camp program was attended by 57 students. Students came from Baker City, Boring, Boonville, Bonanza, Keno, Bend, Sprague River, Eagle Point, Medford, Central Point, Ashland, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Lakeview, Chiloquin and Klamath Falls in Oregon; and Tulelake, Paradise, Chico, Willows, Gridley, Orland and Fresno, Orange Cove, Sacramento, and Yuba City in California.

Students received hands on learning opportunities in natural resource management, including fish, wildlife, hydrology, restoration, forest ecology, fire ecology, mining, archaeology, cultural resources, botany, wetlands, and recreation. In meeting the goals and objectives of the program, students learned about career opportunities through the federal government, Peace Corps, YCC, and other federal and State programs. Student interviews and hiring for summer positions were conducted through partner supported organizations coordinated with the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the YMCA. Job Shadow opportunity interest forms were collected for multiple federal agencies.

### **DIVERSITY**

- Students: 57 total, 37 minorities
- Staff: 23 total, 5 minorities, 9 female
- Session Instructors come from various agencies and organizations and include many minority and female presenters.

### **SESSIONS**

- Watershed/Hydrology (model stream channels while using the stream table)
- Wildlife/Fisheries (birding, fish dissection & macro invertebrate identification)
- Forensics Lab
- Recreation (Pacific Crest Trail, Swimming, Volleyball)
- Canoeing
- Fly-tying by local Klamath Country Flycasters
- Range/Botany
- Archeology
- Wetlands (explore wetlands in canoes and and collect water quality data)
- Forest Ecosystem
- Fire Management/Ecology
- Career Fair (Resume building and practice interviews. Students filled out forms for interest in shadowing agency personnel. Forms were forwarded to participating agencies where students live.)

Job opportunities information was presented by personnel from Forest Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Land Management.

- Archeology (Introduction to Cultural Resources, Flintknapping, Abandoned Mines and Historic Material.)
- Land Management Exercise (students were divided into groups, assigned roles such as local business person, rancher, wildlife biologist, environmentalist, etc., and worked together to come up with a management plan for a designated watershed area.)

### **FIELD TRIPS**

- Ft. Klamath Fish Hatchery
- Ft. Klamath Museum to learn history of area
- Crater Lake to learn about the history and geology of the area
- Ft. Klamath Barbeque with information on area ranching, roping and cowboy poetry

### **ACTIVITIES**

- Swimming
- Canoeing
- Volleyball
- Horseshoes
- Flintknapping
- archeology art
- beading
- orienteering
- birding
- hiking
- journaling
- resume building

### **PROGRAMS**

- Night Sky talk by Robert Black of Medford
- Cowboy poetry by Leon Flick of Plush
- Peace Corps program by Ed Brown, Chemult RD

### **SPONSORS/CONTRIBUTORS/PARTNERS**

- Fremont-Winema National Forests
- Roseburg District & Medford District Bureau of Land Management
- T.E.A.C.H., Inc.
- Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest
- Sierra National Forest
- Society of American Foresters
- Central California Consortium
- Mendocino National Forest
- Northern California Consortium
- Lakeview District, Bureau of Land Management
- USF&W, Klamath Falls and Yreka Offices
- USF&W Forensics Lab
- Crater Lake National Park
- Jackson Soil & Water Conservation District
- Natural Resource Conservation Service, Klamath Falls Office
- Southern Oregon University
- Klamath Country Flycasters
- The Nature Conservancy

## Promotion

RAP Camp's Facebook page was utilized in outreach through past years participants, leveraging positive word of mouth to carry recruitment. Over 500 people currently follow RAP Camp's Facebook page. Outreach was also done by regional recruitment through staff with the US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and US Fish and Wildlife Service. Targeted outreach was done to minority and underrepresented groups both throughout Southwest Oregon and Northern and Central California. Outreach took the form of classroom presentations, brochure distribution and distribution of promotional posters.

## 2016 PHOTOS





