

Q26a Narrative for City of Enumclaw 2023 Annual Report

Q26a Attach a list of Stewardship Opportunities provided. (S5.C.2.a.iii)

- This City of Enumclaw historically partnered with the King Conservation District (KCD) on their Stream Steward program by providing laboratory space in the City of Enumclaw wastewater treatment plant for KCD to conduct water quality analysis and store, clean and distribute water quality testing equipment. KCD Stream Stewards consisted of local volunteers who performed water quality testing at a number of sites along Boise Creek and Newaukum Creek, including sites within Enumclaw city limits. Unfortunately, this stewardship program was permanently suspended by Stream Stewards in 2023 due to KCD organizational/budget changes. The City will seek to work with KCD on other stewardship opportunities in the area as they become available.
- City staff promotes stewardship opportunities at its booth during the Enumclaw Street Fair to educate local residents and kids about various stewardship opportunities and to encourage them to participate.
- Partnered with Beautify Enumclaw in which many local residents volunteered with small improvements and clean-up in the City of Enumclaw. During the 2023 event held on 9/09/2023, volunteers (including the Mayor and Council members) performed work including, but not limited to, clean-up of garbage/debris, planting trees and shrubs, weeding of planter areas and riparian restoration work along the foothills trail to support the EPCA project.
- In 2023, the City worked with the Enumclaw Plateau Community Association who provides riparian planting stewardship opportunities to volunteers in Enumclaw. The city coordinated with leaders of this organization to support their ongoing riparian planting project along an unnamed tributary to Boise Creek. Assistance was provided by donating water for the plantings during hot summer months, advising on grant opportunities that they may be eligible for to assist with funding additional plantings, coordination with the drainage district to assist with clean-up along the riparian planting area, and incorporation of the stewardship project in the annual beautify Enumclaw Event. In 2023, the City also funded a project to extend a water supply line to the riparian planting area so an automatic watering system could be utilized to water various areas of the site. This was extremely valuable with keeping plants alive during the hot summer months. The previous water supply was not very accessible and required the filling of tanks and transporting them to the site.