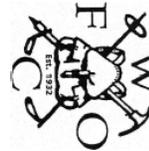


**2016-2017**

**Member Clubs & Organizations**

Angora Hiking Club  
California Alpine Club  
California State Park Rangers Association  
Cascadians  
Chemeketans  
Chinook Trail Association  
Contra Costa Hills Club  
Friends of Mt. Hood  
Friends of Nevada Wilderness  
Friends of Oregon Caves  
Friends of the Columbia Gorge  
Great Old Broads for Wilderness  
Hobnailers  
Indian Creek Botanical Mission  
Klahhane Club  
Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center  
Mazamas  
Montana Wilderness Association  
Mt. St. Helens Club  
Nature Friends  
Obsidians  
Olympians  
Olympic Park Associates  
Oregon Nordic Club  
Oregon Wild  
Rusk Ranch Nature Center  
Santiam Alpine Club  
Sierra Club, Angeles Chapter  
Sierra Club, Kern-Kaweah Chapter  
Sierra Club, Mother Lode Chapter  
Sierra Club, Oregon Chapter  
Sierra Club, Toiyabe Chapter  
Siskiyou Audubon Society  
Siskiyou Field Institute  
Skagit Alpine Club  
Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance  
Tamalpais Conservation Club  
Trails Club of Oregon  
Washington Alpine Club  
Whitman College Outdoor Program  
Wilderness Watch  
Winter Wildlands Alliance



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**& Associates**



**Dedicated to protecting  
our natural environment**

**Uniting Western  
conservation groups in  
a shared agenda**

*"All ethics ... rest upon a single premise: that the individual is a member of a community of interdependent parts ... The land ethic simply enlarges the boundaries of the community to include soils, waters, plants, and animals, or collectively: the land ... A thing is right when it tends to preserve the integrity, stability, and beauty of the biotic community. It is wrong when it tends otherwise."*

*-Aldo Leopold, A Sand County Almanac*



## CONSERVATION AIMS

### Primary Objectives

- To secure additional protection for qualified areas of wilderness on public lands.
- To set aside land for wildlife refuges and work to protect wildlife and native plant habitat
- To protect, restore and preserve the natural integrity and quality of air, water, soils, rivers, lakes, wetlands, coastal shorelines, grasslands, deserts and alpine and montane zones valuable for recreation
- To promote stewardship of forests on public and private lands, while preserving remaining old-growth forests



## HOW IT WORKS

The Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs and Associates relies on members from the Western States and Washington DC to carry out its mission. FWOC members act on conservation issues at national and state hearings by gathering information, sending out member alerts, and collaborating with other environmental organizations and agencies to provide testimony.

## VOICES OF THE FEDERATION

- **In Congress and at Public Hearings:** The FWOC president is its chief spokesperson; however, State Vice Presidents may be authorized to speak officially on behalf of the Federation
- **Publications:** The Federation publishes *Outdoors West*, a biannual newsletter. Topical bulletins are sent by regional officers on special issues.
- **Email Alerts:** Members are updated on current issues and training opportunities.



## ANNUAL CONVENTION AND RESOLUTIONS

Each year delegates from member organizations attend an annual convention.

- To learn about current issues from a cadre of conservation speakers
- To discuss resolutions submitted by organizations and individual members
- To adopt resolutions to strengthen our Conservation Aims

Resolutions address a diversity of issues. Some specific to an area may provide an early warning of new widespread challenges. Our policy advisor works to broaden the framework of an individual resolution. This forges coalitions on a common issue, harnessing the energy of thousands of concerned members, including public officials, legislators and private bodies, ones responsible for long-range plans to preserve our natural resources.

## MISSION

- To unite its member clubs behind a shared agenda of conservation goals.
- To help its member clubs become more effective in their own conservation work by educating them on the basic issues; by disseminating information on the challenges and opportunities for conservation; and by fostering understanding of effective means for reaching its goals.
- To lend its support to the conservation campaigns of allied groups that specialize in given issues (in pursuit of its shared agenda).
- To help its member clubs find solutions to their operating problems through sharing information about solutions that some may have found.

## HISTORY

As the American frontier closed in the late 19th century and a land ethic emerged founded on enjoyment and preservation of natural beauty rather than economic exploitation, people throughout the West began to gather in local outdoor clubs. In 1932, in response to the growing need for the cooperation and coordination of these clubs, the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs was organized. Through the years, the Federation has helped expand our systems to protect nature.