

REDWOOD FOREST FOUNDATION, INC
SUMMARY SOCIAL ASSESSMENT RESULTS- 2014

ECONOMIC

Biochar Demonstration process: Harvesting of tanoak logs for the demonstration project was completed in 2013 by a local contractor who cut and stacked the logs in the forest. The logs were then delivered to the biochar machine site in Branscomb in 2014 and the materials was ground into chips. Total local economic benefit of this logging, hauling and chipping was \$13,080.

The biochar machine started operating in October, 2014 and began providing one part-time job for an operator and one part-time job for the project manager. Total economic impact in 2014 was \$48,239. This project is part of a partnership with the Humboldt State University Schatz Energy Research Center (SERC), which is studying our machine along with two other machines processing biomass.

Local Contracting Results: RFFI contracts with Campbell Global (CG) for timberland management services. In addition to CG staff in Fort Bragg, URFC contracts for various services, including timber harvest plan (THP) consulting, inventory cruising, logging, hauling, road work, carbon verification, FSC auditing, spotted owl surveying, botanical surveys, geological review of THPs, reforestation, restoration activities, site preparation and stand improvements.

Local Purchasing results:

Year	Major Local Vendors/Contractors	Approximate Value of Goods and Services	Community Donations
2013	26	\$1,014,000	\$3,016
2014	29	\$1,953,000	\$3,890

CG Safety Record for 2014

This information is not specific to the URFC property

Number of Cases			
Total number of deaths	Total number of cases with days away from work	Total number of cases with job transfer or restriction	Total number of other recordable cases
0	1	1	0

Number of Days	
Total number of days away from work	Total number of days of job transfer or restriction
3	8

Injury and Illness Types

Total number of...

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(1) Injuries	<u>1</u>	(4) Poisonings	<u>0</u>
(2) Skin Disorders	<u>0</u>	(5) Hearing loss	<u>0</u>
(3) Respiratory Conditions	<u>0</u>	(6) All other illnesses	<u>1</u>

Redwood Forest Foundation, Inc.: RFFI has 1.50 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees and one contractor. Total payroll/contracting spent by RFFI in 2014 equals \$166,167.

Carbon Certification process: URFC contracts with US Forest Capital out of Portland, Oregon for management of our carbon credit certification process. In addition, local contracting for work during 2014 in the carbon inventory and process totaled \$84,971.

ENVIRONMENT

Restoration Activities:

- Approval of a grant from the Mendocino County Fish and Game Commission to place subsurface water level monitoring equipment in lower Usal creek. This is part of a planning process to determine whether year round surface flows can be restored with restoration efforts in that area.
- Submission of Standley Creek Phase 6
- Coho recovery planning process for the South Fork of the Eel River.
- Submission of grant application for the development of a Usal Creek Coho Recovery Plan.
- Restoration Committee: Hosted the two regional workshops on restoration activities (April 23 and December 2, 2014) with the goals of input to and prioritization of restoration activities on Usal, and sharing of best practices. Approximately 30 attendees at each workshop.
- Road stabilization and instream habitat improvement in lower Usal creek.

COMMUNITY

Annual meeting: Held at Standish Hickey State Recreation Area in partnership with the Mendocino Area Parks Association (MAPA) and Team Standish, both community organizations who run Standish Hickey. There were 130 community members in attendance. The annual meeting included opportunities for public dialogue and input on the biochar project, restoration activities, and harvesting activities for the year. Awards were presented to three RFFI community volunteers, including two Native Americans (Wailaki & Cahto) for their commitment to the development of the Chinquapin Springs Acorn Grove and building the RFFI/URFC partnership with local tribes. Three tours were provided for anyone interested.

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Tours covered harvest of hardwoods for biochar production, large wood placement in Usal Creek, and historic timber conditions on adjacent lands.

Native American Relations: On January 21, 2104, RFFI Board member Richard Gienger, Community Advisor Art Harwood and President Mark Welther met with representatives of the Cahto Tribe Executive Board to discuss tribal questions about the management of the Usal Forest. That meeting led to a larger follow up meeting on April 28, 2014 which was open to all regional tribes. The agenda included a review of Usal operations and next steps for making the Chinquapin Springs Acorn Grove available to the tribes. On August 5, 2014, RFFI and the Cahto Tribal Council signed a three-year cooperative agreement for the use of the acorn grove.

Community Advisors: In 2014, members of the RFFI's Council of Community Advisors provided input on strategic planning, organizational development, hiring, forest management planning and restoration projects.

Forest Management Operations Committee: A stakeholder group convened eight times over the course of the year to provide input into the RFFI/URFC future forest management structure. This valuable and diverse committee provided recommendations for next steps for RFFI's forest management, including the hiring of a staff forest manager to provide a closer linkage between daily forest operations/planning done by CG and the RFFI/URFC board.

Staff participation in community events:

--Earth Day – In 2014, RFFI staff, volunteers and advisors participated in Earth Day celebration events at Redwood Regional Park in Oakland and at the Parducci Winery in Ukiah.

--Tabling at Paul Bunyan Days – In 2014, RFFI board members and staff participated in Paul Bunyan Days in Fort Bragg over the Labor Day weekend.