RESOLUTION NO. 2015-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE NORTH COAST SALMON & STEELHEAD ENHANCEMENT FUND, INC., AND ITS ANNUAL NORTH COAST SALMON RENDEZVOUS FISHING TOURNAMENT/FUNDRAISER; AND ENDORSING IT'S NOMINATION FOR A 2105 TILLAMOOK COUNTY FUTURES COUNCIL VISION AWARD

WHEREAS, the North Coast Salmon & Steelhead Enhancement fund (NCSSEF), Inc. (an Oregon Non Profit Corporation) holds an annual all volunteer fundraising event called the North Coast Salmon Rendezvous for the purpose of funding and/or leveraging critical fisheries projects along the North Oregon Coast; and,

WHEREAS, the NCSSEF has once again chosen to hold its 2015 North Coast Salmon Rendezvous event in Garibaldi, thereby contributing to our local economy and introducing and re-introducing their numerous participants and volunteers from outside our region to the charms of Garibaldi; and,

WHEREAS, the NCSSEF is being nominated for a Tillamook County Futures Council Vison Award in both the Economy and Natural Environment categories for setting an example of what highly committed and motivated private citizens can do through volunteer efforts to holistically improve a community's overall livability; and,

WHEREAS the Garibaldi City Council wishes to express its support for the NCSSEF, the invaluable work it has done to help restore and preserve the quality and sustainability of Oregon's salmon and steelhead habitat and abundance, and for the significant economic impact the improvement of these fisheries is having on our area;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARIBALDI RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ***Support for the North Coast Salmon & Steelhead Enhancement Fund, Inc.***

The City of Garibaldi supports the North Coast Salmon & Steelhead Enhancement Fund, Inc., their volunteer fund raising efforts through the North Coast Salmon Rendezvous, and their tireless efforts to rebuild our fisheries and strengthen our economy.

Section 2. ***Endorsement 2015 Vision Award Nomination.***

The City of Garibaldi hereby endorses the nomination of the NCSSEF for Tillamook County Futures Council 2015 Vision Awards in both the Economy and Natural Resource Categories for exemplifying the power of combining extraordinary vision with tireless volunteer efforts to holistically improve our community for today, and for generations to come.

Section 3. ***Effective date.***

This resolution is effective as of the date of adoption.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR, this 16th day of March, 2015

Suzanne McCarthy

Hon. Suzanne McCarthy, Mayor

ATTEST:

John O'Leary, City Manager

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2015 Vision Award Nomination

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John Holloway
Rick Kneeland
Dr. Paul Newman
Doug Montgomery
Linda Pearce
Jennifer Purcell
Leila Salmon
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Nominee (individual or group): North Coast Salmon & Steelhead Enhancement Fund

Nomination category (Please see category descriptions on page 2.):

☒ **Economy** ☒ **Natural Environment** ☐ **Youth and Education**

Summary of nominee's qualifications: Briefly summarize below why the nominee should be considered for the award. Include work that exemplifies the vision category and the degree to which the individual or group is recognized by peers and the community as a role model. Please use additional pages as needed.

See Attached Statement 1

Local achievements: Describe the nominee's significant and tangible achievements which have had an impact on the local community and on Tillamook County, if applicable. How do the nominee's contributions provide lasting influence in the vision category? Please use additional pages as necessary.

See Attached Statement 2

Endorsements: It is advisable, but not required, to provide a minimum of three and no more than ten letters of endorsement from individuals, groups, peers, etc., describing the nominee's contributions and achievements. These may be attached or submitted separately via mail or email.

2015 Vision Award Nomination
Of
The North Coast Salmon and Steelhead Enhancement Fund
Statement 1

The North Coast Salmon and Steelhead Enhancement Fund (NCSSEF) is an IRC 501 (c) (3) organization dedicated to raising funds to be invested in fishery enhancement projects along the north Oregon coast. It is being nominated here in two categories, Economy and Natural Environment, simply because it excels in both, setting an example of what highly committed and motivated private citizens can do to holistically improve a community's overall livability.

The North Coast Salmon Rendezvous serves as the major fundraiser for the organization. The NCESSEF has been putting on this three day fall event for 11years, dedicating its proceeds to North Coast Projects. Since that time they have raised nearly $800,000 that has been leveraged through matching grants and other funding, resulting in millions of dollars' worth of improvements to our North Coast Fisheries.

Everything is done with volunteer labor, so over 85% of all money raised goes to support, fund, and or leverage projects that help both fish and fisherman. Jack Smith and Tim Juarez, local fishing guides, started this organization with a simple vision of helping to fund improvements to the local fishery. Thanks to indispensable help from their wives, families, other fishing guides, friends, local businesses and the Tillamook Anglers, hundreds of hours of volunteer labor is organized each year to stage this fundraising event, and to bring in nearly $80,000 per year from outside the area (last year participants came from as far as Australia), and to keep it here to invest in a simple mission: "More Fish-Better Fisheries".

The vision and work of NCESSEF, and the habitat, native brood stock and hatchery projects they have leveraged, funded or helped to fund, have played important roles in the recovery and expansion of many of our local recreational fisheries; fisheries that are major economic drivers of tourism within our county. The vast majority of this fishing activity takes place in the fall, winter and spring, providing critically needed non-peak season jobs and financial support for the tourism industry.

chinook, coho, chum, winter steelhead, cut throat trout) through the addition of large woody debris and boulders. This created additional in-stream habitat complexity and added cover to an area of stream lacking these qualities. Fish will benefit from the additional rearing habitat and refuge created by this project. In addition, approximately 300 feet of river bank was planted with native riparian vegetation to restore the natural functions of this important streamside area.

Broodstock Collection Program

NCSSEF funds have been used to purchase equipment necessary for volunteer anglers to transport wild winter steelhead brood stock for hatchery programs in the Wilson and Nestucca rivers, and fall chinook in the Nestucca basin. Equipment purchases included several aluminum tanks and numerous batteries for operation of the aeration systems needed to keep fish alive during holding and transport to collection facilities.

Trask Hatchery Screens

NCSSEF funds were used to purchase new aluminum pond screens for Trask Hatchery. The screens were installed on the two largest rearing ponds to replace older, wood framed screens. The new screens allow for smaller mesh sizes to be switched with larger sizes as fish grow in the pond. This causes less restriction and allows more water flow through the ponds, which allows the ponds to be cleaned more quickly, contributing toward a healthier, less stressful environment for juvenile fish.

- Purchased fish feed for 30,000 wild brood stock winter steelhead to restore lost production on the Wilson River
- Funded Hughey Creek pumps and alarm system
- Purchased waders for Nestucca Connections high school volunteers to work at hatchery and in the field
- Purchased new generator for pump and alarm system at Hughey Creek pond
- Funded creel survey on the North Fork of the Nehalem River in preparation for possible future wild brood stock program similar to the Wilson River program
- Partially funded portable liberation tank for transporting adult salmon & steelhead on primarily the Nestucca and Wilson Rivers, although could be used for any fish transportation needs
- Purchased five 12 volt deep cycle batteries for capture boxes used in Nestucca River brood stock program
- Funded two Canadian troughs and ten belt feeders for the Trask River hatchery which helps to minimize egg and fry loss
- Trask hatchery pond liner repair project
- Rebuilt equipment shed and installed previously purchased generator at the Hughey Creek Pond site
- Large woody material log jam on Necanicum River
- North Fork Nehalem River check station signs in preparation for future possible wild brood stock program
- Funded gravel for road into Hughey Creek acclimation pond
- Helped to fund log jam removal at the railroad bridge on the Trask River, caused by flooding in November of 2006
- Purchased 12 twelve volt batteries for capture boxes for brood stock programs
- Partially funded the purchase of a new fish liberation truck for Cedar Creek hatchery
- Funded crane rental to move two pumps at Tuffy Creek, to be reused at Trask hatchery
- Paid for permits to rebuild boat slide at Siskeyville boat ramp on the Wilson River
- Replaced tank on district liberation truck
- Create turnout and Slide at Cedar Creek on the Trask River
- Funded removal of log blocking navigation below "Poffs" on the Wilson River
- Funded rebuilding of recirculation pump at Trask hatchery
- Paid propane bill for backup generator at Hughey Creek acclimation pond
- Upgraded alarm system at Hughey Creek acclimation pond from analog to digital
- Purchased dip nets for Nehalem hatchery
- Partially funded improvements on the Siskeyville boat ramp on the Wilson River
- Paid for repairs on the Bays Creek Trap on the Nestucca River

- Facilitate property acquisition to improve Tillamook Bay estuary habitat
- Funded pipeline replacement for ponds 1-5 at Cedar Creek Hatchery
- Funded Cedar Creek Hatchery liberation truck drop axel project
- Funded OSU cormorant stomach analysis
- Funded repairs for Nehalem Hatchery generator building & generator
- Partially funded replacement of crew trailer for Trask River hatchery staff that live off station, used during their on call and feeding duties
- Paying power bill for Hughey Creek Pond to acclimate summer steelhead, winter steelhead, and spring Chinook (2005 to present date)
- Funding cormorant hazing on Tillamook Bay (2006 to present date)
- Facilitate payment to sewer district for Cloverdale boat launch access (2008 to present date)