

LegacyWorks empowers community-driven initiatives to realize transformative change

The health and security of our rivers, wetlands and aquifers may be the most important driver of resilience for ecosystems, agriculture and communities.

Our Water Program brings partners together to address these key challenges across our regional initiatives as shown in this sampling of projects.

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Water Program

Water Program Strategies and Sample Projects



ECOLOGICAL
RESTORATION



SURFACE & GROUND
WATER RECHARGE



WATER
QUALITY



MARKET
SOLUTIONS



COLLABORATIVE
STEWARDSHIP



PUBLIC ACCESS
AND RECREATION



Teton Creek Corridor Project

Our flagship project is transforming a degraded stream corridor into a vibrant community asset. Once slated for development into hundreds of subdivision lots, with a streambed so degraded it put the City of Driggs at risk of flooding, the corridor is now returning to its thriving natural state.

- Protected 400+ acres of critical habitat for wintering game
- Restored 1 mile of stream bank
- Secured 4 miles of interconnected pathway easements
- Constructing pathway
- Completing restoration and enhance the flow of Teton Creek



Teton Groundwater Recharge Market

We are bringing together conservation and agriculture partners to change how water is managed in the Teton Basin. We co-created tools to incentivize farmers to adjust their water management in ways that increase groundwater recharge and the availability of late season water in wetland and instream habitats.

- Launched pilot market to measurably change the timing of Teton River flows
- Quadrupled the number of participating canals in our 2nd year
- Generating a statistically significant result in Teton River flows
- Transitioning to a fully market-based approach



Jackson Hole Clean Water Coalition

In spite of its reputation as a model of conservation, Jackson Hole has water quality problems in its major creeks and aquifer. The Jackson Hole Clean Water Coalition is bringing conservation, recreation, and human health interests together around critical water quality issues.

- Implemented Trout Friendly Lawn certifications for residents to reduce fertilizer discharge in waterways
- Expanding the certification to landscaping companies



Bates Teton River Public Access

In 2016, the most popular public access point for the Teton River came up for sale. We mobilized a collaborative of conservation partners to protect it for public use forever.

- ✓ Acquired the 80-acre parcel and transfer to Teton County
- ✓ Secured a conservation easement (Teton Regional Land Trust)
- ✓ Teamed up with Teton County and Fish & Game to rebuild the river access and degraded wetlands and eliminate safety hazards
- ✓ Installed a trailhead kiosk, restroom (with mural), life jacket borrowing station, and a half-mile loop river trail



Baja East Cape Regional Watershed/Aquifer Report

This collaborative effort is empowering leaders and citizens in the Cabo Pulmo, Santiago, San Bartolo and Los Planes watersheds to advocate for sustainable resource management.

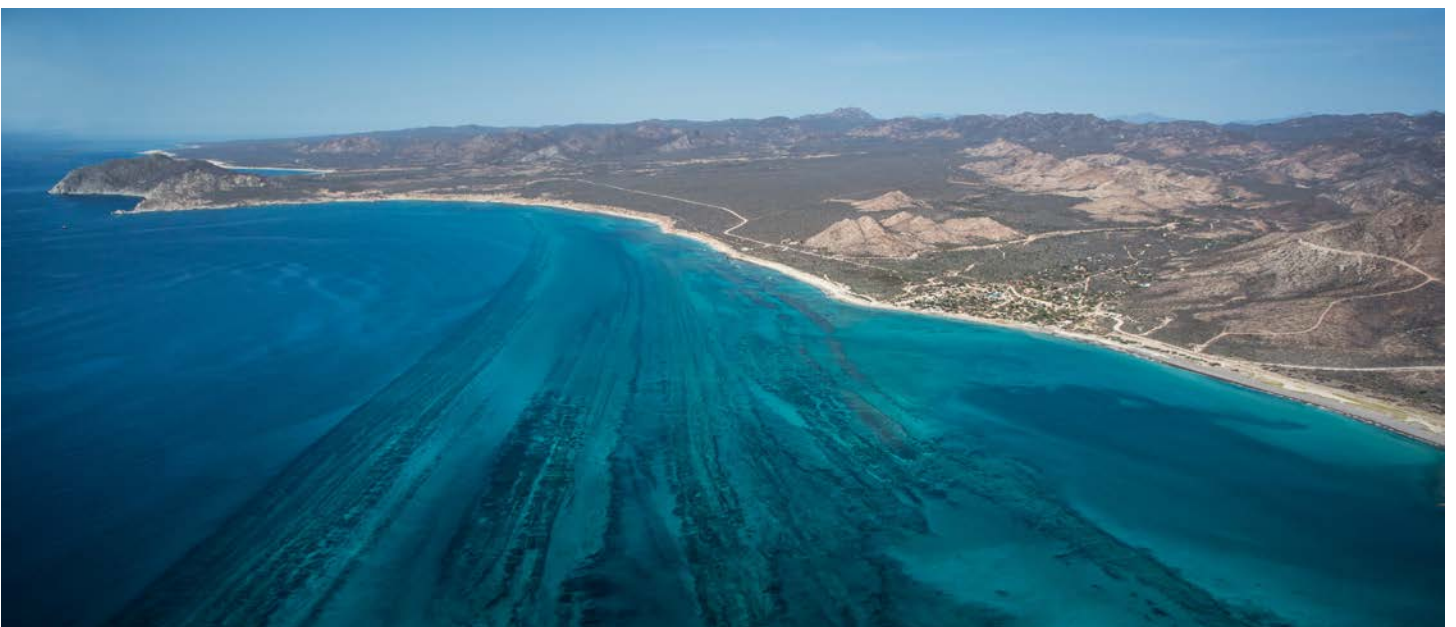
- ✓ Initially funded by Baja Coastal Institute
- ✓ Devised and executed a work plan
- ✓ Identified and engaged qualified researchers
- ✓ Updated antiquated government data
- Mapping important biodiversity habitat and water recharge zones
- Providing a basis for evaluating potential and actual water supply in a form accessible to citizens and policymakers



Baja East Cape Cabo Pulmo Vivo Coalition

A group of NGOs, citizens, scholars, and researchers are working in the East Cape of Baja to protect the reef and resources.

- ✓ Challenged proposed and permitted development that threatens Cabo Pulmo National Park
- ✓ With Pronatura Noroeste, Baja Coastal Institute and Global Conservation, installed illegal fishing radar detection
- ✓ With Fondo Mexicano para la Conservación de la Naturaleza, developed a funding plan for Cabo Pulmo National Park Trust Fund
- Uniting local residents and business leaders to envision and support sustainable development models





Hoback Drinking Water Stakeholder Group

In Hoback Junction, public and private drinking water sources are showing elevated levels of nitrates. The Teton Conservation District, Teton County Engineering and the Health Department are engaging the local community to provide adequate drinking water quality. LegacyWorks is facilitating the group.

- Designing and facilitate stakeholder engagement process
- Assessing and prioritizing the most impactful ideas to improve drinking water quality



FLAT CREEK BLUEWAYS

Assessing the condition of Flat Creek through the Town of Jackson and ways to improve water quality, increase public access, and encourage redevelopment away from the creek.

UPPER SNAKE COLLABORATIVE

Working with farmers to implement practices that will improve streamflow in the Henry's Fork, Teton, and Fall River watersheds.

TROUT FRIENDLY MALT

Creating a craft beer malt certification program that generates a higher return for barley farmers in exchange for river friendly practices.

AND MORE...



Support Our Water Program

The projects listed above are facilitated by LegacyWorks and are the foundation of bigger change in each of these regions. If you would like to help us advance these efforts, please support LegacyWorks Group.

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