



Who's OLAWA. We're your neighbors in the Siskiyou area who believe that the paradise around us has been preserved as a direct result of Oregon's land use planning laws.

For the second year in a row, Oregon is the number one destination for Americans moving between states. Growth is coming to our little rock of the woods.

With fast growth in Central Oregon, there's a lot of pressure to abandon regulations that were put in place in the 1970s and 1980s to protect our land... to whittle away land use rules with an exception here and a code change there. But it's thanks to Oregon's smart planning policies that we enjoy the landscapes and quality of life that are drawing new people and businesses. So how can we protect what's there while making room for newcomers?

We believe there are ways for our region to grow and people to prosper under current law. **OLAWA stands up for longstanding land use laws and water policies that keep Oregon from becoming like everywhere else.**

We strive to find a fair balance between the needs of people, natural areas, wildlife and fish. What we don't support are proposals and projects that benefit special interests by skirting rules that have worked for 40+ years.

Here's our mission:

**Oregon Land and Water Alliance advocates for protection of land use laws, water policies and riparian resources, and raises awareness of issues affecting residents and visitors in Siskiyou County.**

As more people and businesses move here there are increased demands on our natural resources. We support smart planning and land use laws that protect our land and speak up about impacts to Whychus Creek and the Deschutes Basin.

We need to be ready. Proposals come up weekly that could impact our land and waters. To be able to react quickly, we need to have people and tools in place.

So we're pleased to announce we've formalized as a new nonprofit, with the aim of keeping more people informed.

If you've already helped us with your time, energy or money, THANK YOU. If you're not yet a supporter, we invite you to learn about our successes—and the challenges right ahead.

Join us in preserving what makes Oregon Oregon, right here in the Siskiyou County.

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**Water/Climate**

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