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BottleDrop customers helping support Lake Ewauna

Donation to Klamath Wingwatchers will be used to support trail maintenance efforts

Clackamas, Ore. -- The Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative (OBRC), parent organization to [BottleDrop](#), announced a \$1,000 donation to Klamath Wingwatchers, a Klamath Falls, Ore. based nonprofit supporting a network of trails that provide access to Klamath Falls' Lake Ewauna. The donation, generated through BottleDrop's [Containers for Change](#) program, will be used by the nonprofit to buy equipment to help maintain their trail along the western shore of Lake Ewauna.

"The Bottle Bill is all about keeping Oregon's special places litter free and beautiful. We love supporting groups like the Wingwatchers who are working in their local community to help their neighbors access and enjoy one of those special places," said Eric Chambers, director of external relations at OBRC.

BottleDrop's Containers for Change program provides Oregonians with an easy way to donate funds from their bottles and cans to excellent nonprofits operating in communities around the state. BottleDrop customers can participate by simply leaving their bag tag stickers off of their Green Bags, and dropping them off at any BottleDrop facility, like the Redemption Center in Klamath Falls, Ore.

"This donation could not come at a better time," said Leslie Lowe, President of Klamath Wingwatchers. "To get a grant from an agency that encourages recycling is just as amazing. Living sustainably is so important and recycling is such a big part of that."

BottleDrop customers can visit bottledropcenters.com/containersforchange/ to learn more about this program, and how they can use their beverage containers to support excellent nonprofits, foundations, and advocacy organizations in Oregon.

About OBRC

The Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative (OBRC) is the industry steward of Oregon's nationally recognized beverage container redemption system. Headquartered in Clackamas, OR, OBRC is a statewide not-for-profit cooperative, formed by the beverage industry. OBRC helps keep Oregon beautiful by providing outstanding services to partners, distributors, retailers and the public for the recovery, reuse and recycling of beverage containers. Through OBRC's BottleDrop Redemption Centers and container pickup service for more than 2,500 retail partners, the co-op recycles around 2 billion beverage containers annually, protecting the Oregon we love, supporting the causes we cherish and inspiring innovation beyond our borders – all without a single penny of state funding. To learn more, visit BottleDropCenters.com or OBRC.com.

About Klamath Wingwatchers

Klamath Wingwatchers is a Klamath County 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to public education regarding Klamath Basin wildlife and wetland habitat and their value as a natural resource through scientific, arts, and cultural means. To learn more, visit <http://www.klamathbirdingtrails.com/wingwatchers/index.shtml>.

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[Here](#) you will find photos of Oregonians processing or bringing Blue or Green Bags filled with redeemable containers to facilities to benefit nonprofits around the state. Photos should be credited to Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative.

The photos below were submitted by Klamath Wingwatchers:



Klamath Wingwatchers board member uses a rented tractor to regrade the eroded trail on Lake Ewauna.



Ralph Opp sits on a bench he made for the trail in 2020 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th amendment and formation of League of Women Votes. Opp, now 85 years old, founded the trail on Lake Ewauna in the late 1980s.



Board members repair the fence on the Lake Ewauna trail.



Board members repair caging on a tree to prevent damage from beavers.