



Mission:

The Stream Team seeks to engage the public in the protection and restoration of streams that flow through the City of Centralia using:

- ◆ Education
- ◆ Monitoring
- ◆ Developing partnerships
- ◆ Implementing hands-on projects



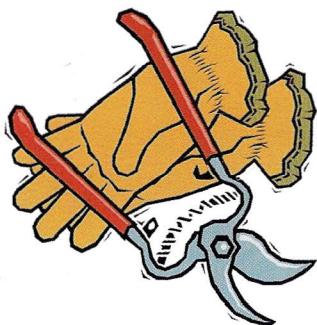
The Centralia Stream Team is a coalition of local agencies, non-profit organizations, educators, and citizen volunteers who are interested in restoring streams in Centralia. The City of Centralia Public Works Department and the Chehalis Basin Partnership provide administrative support and facilitation.

Activities: Clean-ups at China, Scammon and Salzer Creeks. China Creek stream survey. Plan for China Creek restoration project. Outreach to the community. Involve citizens and foster a creek stewardship ethic.

China Creek:

The Stream Team decided China Creek would be our first focus. China Creek is about 5 miles long and arises east of Centralia, running through the town center. The creek is piped under the downtown for about 3,000 feet and emerges by Centralia College. It empties into the Chehalis River just upstream of the mouth of the Skookumchuck River. The creek receives urban stormwater and floods during high rain events.

The Stream Team has been working at removing the trash, yardwaste, pollutants of all kinds and invasive weeds that choke the stream. We've already had successful cleanup projects and more are planned. Sign up to participate in future cleanups by calling Kim Ashmore at 360-330-7512 or email: kashmore@cityofcentralia.com. China Creek work is supported by a Terry Husseman grant from the Department of Ecology.



The pictures in this brochure are of China Creek and of participants in a recent cleanup project. Photos by Kim Ashmore.