

# Russian River Coho 2018 Grant Slate

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The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced a ninth year of funding to support efforts to recover a viable, self-sustaining population of coho salmon in the Russian River watershed. A grant of \$410,000 was awarded to the Russian River Coho Partnership, a collaborative group comprised of five partners: the Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District, the Sonoma Resource Conservation District, the Occidental Arts and Ecology Center, Trout Unlimited and the University of California Cooperative Extension program. NFWF's support will be further leveraged by \$410,000 in grantee match for a total on-the-ground impact of \$820,000.

California coho salmon | Credit: NMFS/Southwest Fisheries Science Center; Salmon Ecology Team

NFWF's Russian River Coho program launched in 2009 in response to the rapid decline of Central California Coast coho salmon. NFWF has funded an array of projects aimed at increasing water supply reliability for water users while restoring seasonal flows in key coho streams to enable spawning, rearing, and migration. The Russian River Coho grant program has also established a streamflow monitoring program as well as coho population monitoring, both of which have enabled grant recipients to quantify the impact of water management projects on river hydrology and habitat.

### Russian River Coho Partnership 2018-2019

Grantee: Trout Unlimited

 Grant Award:
 \$410,000

 Matching Funds:
 \$410,000

 Total Amount:
 \$820,000

Administer grant funds on behalf of the Russian River Coho Water Resources Partnership and will continue targeted outreach efforts, streamflow and fisheries monitoring, and development and implementation of water management projects to increase streamflow during the dry season in order to improve coho survival and water reliability at the watershed scale.

# ABOUT NFWF

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