

Cultural Ecology and Habitat Restoration At Bear Spring, Diamond Mountain Retreat Center

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Over the next few decades, conservation success will need to respond to the ongoing fact of the extinction of relationships



- "The extinction spasm we are now inflicting can be moderated if we so choose."
- Otherwise, the next century will see the onset of biological impoverishment, and the start of an Age of Loneliness...

-E.O. Wilson

Three Pillars of Restoration Action

Restore Ecological Processes & Habitats

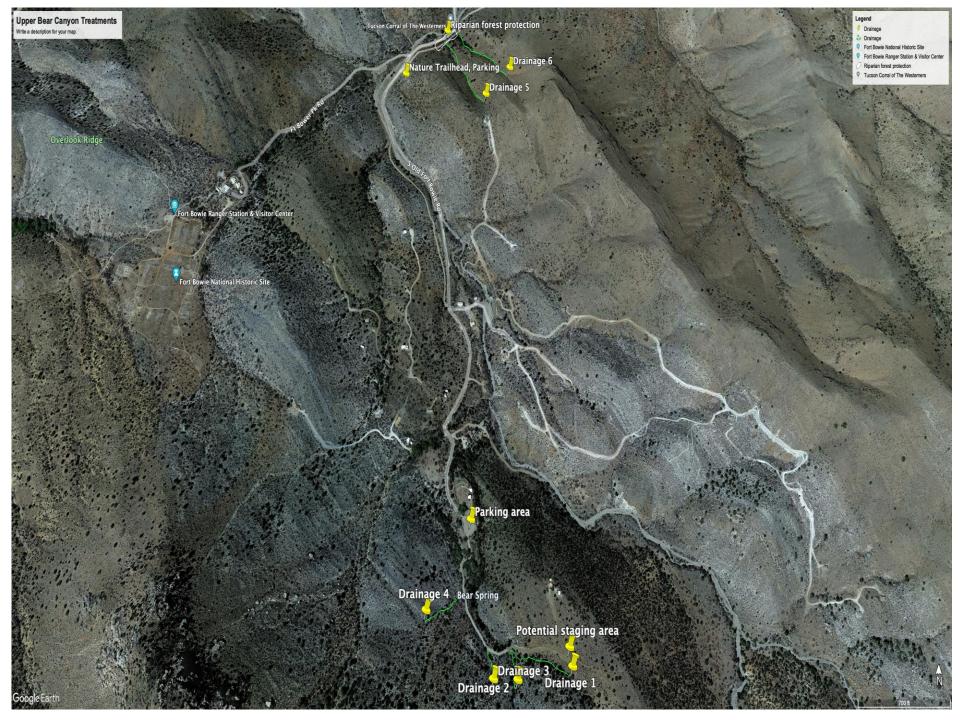
-Bring back stream flow, reduce erosion, rebuild soils
-Respond to fire & flooding patterns

Restore Food Chains for Pollinators

-Return nectar- & fruit-bearing plants-Protect & enhance roosts, stopovers, corridors

Reconnect People and the Places They Care For

-Build community by guiding employees, citizen scientists, funders in restoring ecosystem services that promote food security, ecosystem jobs, and community capacity-building



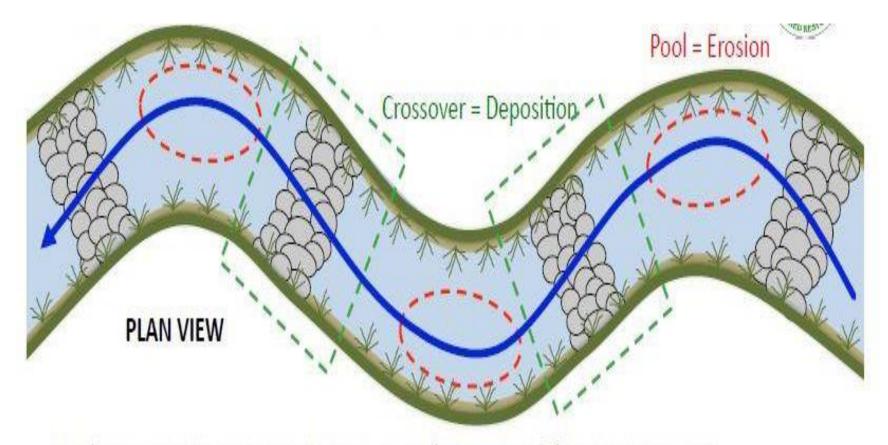
Slow the water, retain sediment, allow recovery



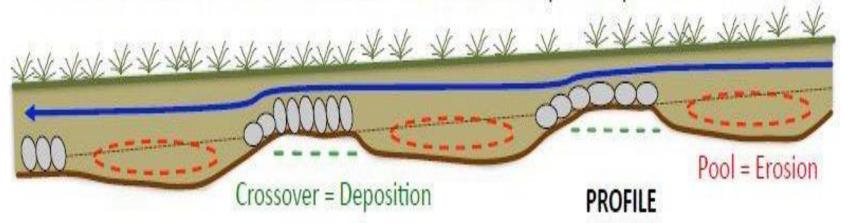








2. Placement at crossovers maintains natural erosion and deposition patterns.

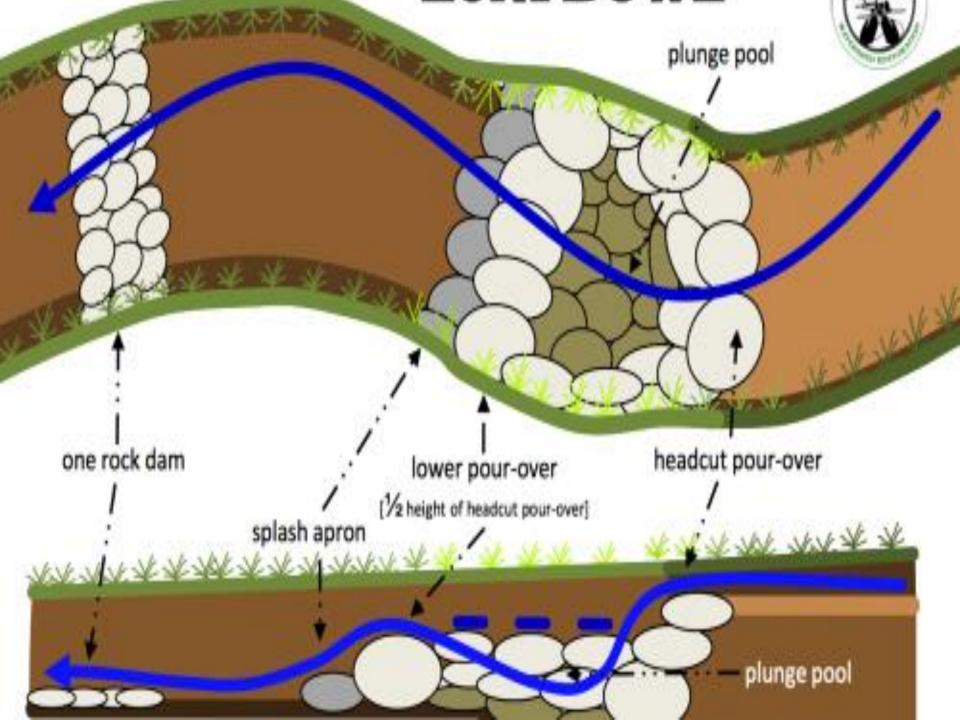




















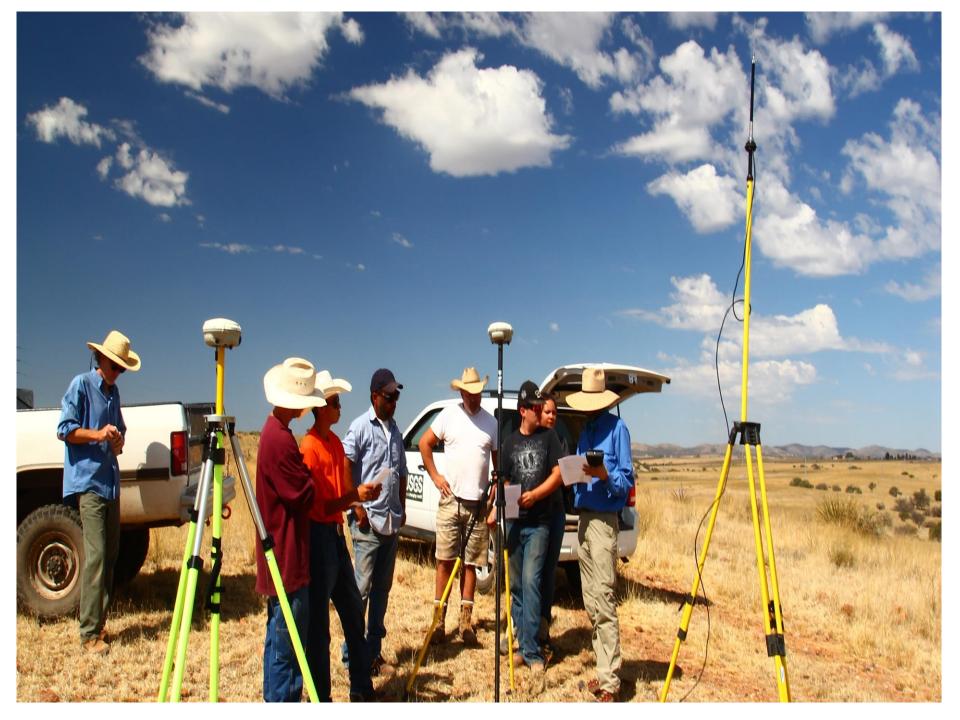












Restoration Economies and Ecologies











