

## A Sampling of Restoration Projects in the Upper Klamath Basin (cont.)

### 9. South Suburban Sanitary District transfer of water to Lower Klamath NWR

SSSD intends to route clean discharge water to the Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge on an ongoing basis. For more information contact: Brett Blofsky (brett@sssd.org)

### 10. Fringe Wetland Restoration Master Plan for The Keno Reach of the Klamath River

The plan will identify opportunities for the construction of diffuse source treatment wetlands to locally treat agricultural runoff from adjacent agricultural drains. The project team also intends to partner with the Tule Smoke Hunt Club to evaluate wetland enhancement and restoration opportunities on club property. For more information contact: Bill Lehman (blehman@klamathpartnership.org)

### 11. Lower Klamath NWR Water Conveyance Improvements

Ducks Unlimited has been partnering with the USFWS to complete an alternative water conveyance assessment to move water from the Ady Canal to the Central Canal, bypassing Units 2 and 3. Additionally, DU has secured BIL funding to install two pumping stations to re-use irrigation drain water from KDD and make it available for use on LKNWR. For more information contact: Amelia Raquel (araquel@ducks.org)

### 12. North Canal Extension

The Klamath Drainage District, in partnership with the USFWS and Farmers Conservation Alliance are designing an extension of the North Canal across Stateline Road to the Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge. This will provide the refuge with opportunities to better manage a limited supply to manage the refuge for migratory birds and other wildlife. For more information contact: Scott White (scott.white@klamathdrainagedistrict.org)

Sadly, years of conflict over water allocation resulted in the drying of Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge. Among other serious repercussions, Pacific Flyway birds are bypassing the Lower Klamath Basin. A major local impact has been the unprecedented cancellation of the 2024 Winter Wings Festival. A coalition of Klamath Drainage District farmers, government agency staffers, advocates for Pacific flyway birds and the re-watering of LKNWR, South Suburban Sanitary District, Tribes, and concerned community citizens are coming together to explore exciting new directions for the Lower Klamath area.

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