

News from the rainforest

To the Friends of the Carbon Canyon- July 2008

GREETINGS !!! After the longest winter ever. . . it's finally summer. It's been a fun year up here. Thanks to Roy Rutherford for getting our website going, it looks Great !! the address is : friendsofthecarboncanyon.org We need your e-mail addresses so we can save paper & stamps, and do alerts if something important comes up, so PLEASE send your e-mail address, they will NEVER be given out to anyone.

We've expanded our contacts to many other groups & agencies. Our strength and reputation as a group has grown thanks to those contacts, and we're able to make a real difference when we need to.

The need arose last fall when a septage company wanted to spray raw sewage on the hill above Carbonado. Raw sewage, treated with lime for 24 hours was to be sprayed on hundreds of acres around Carbonado's water supply, and 6 tankers a day full of raw septage going through Wilkeson. YUK !!!! But the town's people showed their strength and voice in numbers and we put our web site into action. The spraying was cancelled. It was great to work with the towns on a common goal, and it showed what strength in numbers can do.

Also, the county is putting together plans for it's new properties up here, Hucklechuck and Old Fairfax Township in particular. Public inputs and opinions are being gathered at public meetings being held every few months at the Wilkeson Town Hall, watch the web site.

And finally, Coplay& Mowich lakes still have record amounts of snow. Check with the Forest Service & National Park before making any plans. The Carbon/Ipsuit entrance road is closed to cars due to extensive flood damage. Call the Park before trying to hike to the Glacier, the foot bridge for the detour to the James lake trail may be open to get you to the Glacier when enough snow melts. . . thats a 6 mile hike on the road before the 3 1/2 mile to the glacier. BUT ITS WORTH IT !!!

Hope to see you at the Party !!! We're still celebrating over 2,000 acres put into public lands already. and the future extension of the National Park, Thanks to all the hard work of everyone involved !!!

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