



Monte Matheson, angler/hunter, Port Orford, Oregon; Photo By: Barbara I. Bond

WILDERNESS IS OUR COMMON GROUND

In years past, I spent a lot of time exploring wilderness areas across the western United States. There is just nothing like the peacefulness and solitude you find when you are away from the nearest road. That's why when I retired from my job as a fire fighter I moved to a place on the Elk River. Today, I spend my days fishing for native salmon and steelhead, hunting deer and elk and just enjoying all the wonders that this special place has to offer. To ensure that future generations can enjoy a natural legacy, we need to protect wild areas like the beautiful Copper-Salmon proposed wilderness. Because wilderness is about more than just protecting Oregon's special places, it's about creating possibilities for everyone.

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