



Summary Social Assessment Report 2017 & 2018

ECONOMIC

Local Contracting & Local Purchasing

URFC contracts for various services, including timber harvest plan (THP) consulting, inventory cruising, logging, hauling, road work, carbon verification, FSC auditing, spotted owl surveying, botanical surveys, geological review of THPs, reforestation, restoration activities, site preparation and stand improvements.

Year	Major Local Vendors/Contractors	Approximate Value of Goods and Services	Community Donations
2017	28	\$1,771,150	\$1,250.00
2018	24	\$1,084,151	\$517.50

Safety Record for 2018

There were no incidents of injury or illness in 2018.

Personnel Costs

Redwood Forest Foundation, Inc.

Year	# of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees	Total Personnel Costs
2017	2.75	\$232,676
2018	3.25	\$276,744

Usal Redwood Forest Company, LLC

Year	# of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees	Total Personnel Costs
2017	4	\$257,374
2018	5	\$376,241

Carbon Certification contractors

URFC contracts with US Forest Capital out of Portland, Oregon for management of our carbon credit certification process.

Biochar Demonstration

In 2017, the Biochar Project actively produced biochar, supported 20 jobs and sold \$14,000 worth of biochar to the community. In addition to providing economic benefits and community outcomes, the project provided environmental benefits by thinning acreage and sequestering carbon. The project hosted multiple tours and generated much local and regional excitement about biochar. The outreach and education extended globally, and the project continues to receive regular, ongoing inquiries and interest. The project provided a replicable model for managing excess woody biomass and increased production to a commercial level.

In 2018, the Biochar Project supported jobs for three part-time contractors and one part-time bookkeeper to support continued sales and marketing. Regional businesses sold \$6,218.80 of biochar on commissions for RFFI. In addition, the biochar committee produced the most comprehensive biomass conversion technology review and evaluation report currently available at www.rffi.org/biochar. The project also conducted biochar marketing report that is available by request and worked with legislators and California State staff to develop incentives for both biochar technology to develop and produce sales.

ENVIRONMENT

Restoration Activities

2017

- Anderson Creek Sediment Reduction and Coho Recovery Project Phase I
- Anderson Creek riparian revegetation (tree planting)

2018

- Anderson Creek Sediment Reduction and Large Wood Phase II and Phase III South Fork Usal Creek Large Wood Monitoring three years post instream enhancement work
- Anderson Creek riparian revegetation (tree planting)
- Standley Creek riparian revegetation (tree planting)
- Proposal submittal for Moody Creek Road decommissioning and Instream Habitat Enhancement
- Proposal submittal for Soldier Creek Road decommissioning and Instream Habitat Enhancement

Restoration Committee

- Established goals and objectives for the Usal Redwood Forest Restoration Plan and created a Restoration Plan outline.
- Developed conceptual framework for a Standley Creek Watershed Restoration Plan including planning for a paired watershed assessment on the effect of hillslope fuel reduction work on streamflow.

COMMUNITY

2018 Annual Meeting

The 2018 annual meeting was held at the Lyme Redwood Forest Company Picnic Grounds, north of Fort Bragg, CA. There were 100 community members in attendance. The annual meeting included opportunities for public dialogue and input on the biochar project, restoration activities, and harvesting activities for the year. Awards were presented to two RFFI community volunteers.

Community Advisors

In 2017 and 2018, members of the Redwood Forest Council (RFC), RFFI's 25-member community advisory group, held monthly meetings (nine in 2017, ten in 2018) and attended RFFI Board meetings, Annual Meeting, forest tours and other events. RFC members provided input on strategic planning, organizational development, hiring, forest management planning, timber harvest plans and restoration projects.

Volunteer Program

In 2017 and 2018 URFC formalized our Volunteer program and enlisted support of 200 volunteers. A vast array of community activities took place including engaging students from throughout Mendocino county in forest restoration, and adults in Citizen Science projects.

Usal Lost Coast Hopper

In the fall of 2018, RFFI partnered with Grasshopper Adventure Series to offer a one-day mountain bike event for 150 riders from the Bay Area. In addition to the ride, RFFI staff and volunteers shared the story of the organization at an evening talk and a morning walking tour. This successful event is planned for future years.

Community Events

- Earth Day: In 2018, RFFI staff, volunteers and advisors participated in Earth Day celebration at the Noyo Food Forest.
- Tabling at Paul Bunyan Days: In 2018, RFFI board members and staff participated in Paul Bunyan Days in Fort Bragg over the Labor Day weekend.
- CaliRoots: In 2017 and 2018, CaliRoots Music Festival in Monterey chose RFFI to be a partner for their Redwood VIP tickets by donating to the Plant a Redwood Program to offset their carbon footprint at the festival. RFFI Staff and volunteers tabled at the event and spread information at the festival about the organization.

Ice on Fire

- In June 2017, URFC's work was filmed by Tree Media, LLC for "Ice on Fire" a Leonardo DiCaprio HBO documentary on climate disruption. The URFC carbon project, sustainable forest management, reforestation program and biochar production and planning were featured in the final film. URFC was selected as a subject because of these factors as well as for its hallmark inclusion of Native American practices and participation and the regional community in forest management.