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Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions receives \$842,000 grant to fund Rim Fire Restoration Project

The Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions collaborative has received an \$842,000 grant from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to fund the restoration of meadows, springs, deer habitat, and replace undersized culverts on Stanislaus National Forest lands burned by the 2013 Rim Fire in the Cherry Creek Watershed.

The Cherry Creek Watershed was one of the most severely damaged areas by the Rim Fire, where trees and soils were completely burned. Restoring conditions to meadows and springs in this area is important for the recovery of wildlife habitat and water quality. Several undersized culverts in the project area can become quickly overwhelmed with water and sediment during heavy rainfalls, which can lead to eroding slopes and washed-out roads. Through this grant, many of these issues will be addressed, contributing to the broader Rim Fire Recovery efforts.

“We’re very grateful for the support of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy” remarked Chris Trott, Chair of the Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions. “The area burned by the fire is so vast it will take many years to recover, but these projects help jumpstart that process.”

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy also provided funding in an earlier grant to the Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions to complete the restoration plans. All told, the Sierra Nevada Conservancy will contribute \$1,000,000 towards the recovery effort.

“We’re very fortunate to have a partner like the Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions” said Jeanne Higgins, Supervisor of the Stanislaus National Forest. “Together, with our community partners, we’re able to accomplish much more for the health of the forest and watershed.”

The Yosemite Stanislaus Solutions is a collaborative group of diverse interests working together to assist the United States Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and Yosemite National Park and private land managers in achieving healthy forests and watersheds and in developing recovery and restoration plans for the Rim Fire and other areas in need of rehabilitation.

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