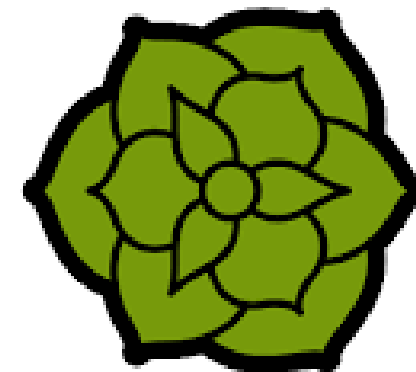




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Going Green

Roger Worthington, Owner, Worthy Brewing & President, Worthy Garden Club
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Alternative & Sustainable Energy



Worthy invested in solar power from the beginning.

- 117 rooftop PV solar panels; 48 PV above the Star Bar. Total Co2 spared = 57,000 lbs
- Total energy generated = 55K kWhs, providing a yearly average of 10% of Worthy's power. In the summer months, this percentage increases to 30-50%.
- Solar Thermal Panels (56 total = 42k CO2 saved)

What does this mean?

Worthy spares the atmosphere 100,000 pounds of CO2 emissions annually. Or ~2,400 trees planted (~8 acres) per year.

Sources: Arbor Environmental Alliance & Tufts University

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Brewing Process Efficiencies



Worthy Brewing uses technical methods to improve our brewhouse yields. This means we use less raw materials [malt, water, hops] yet get more out of them. **Do more with less.**



Example shown is Worthy's **'Smart Chiller'**

"Variable-frequency drive" brain center, meaning it only consumes electricity when needed.

Energy efficient waste heat capture boiler



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Local Sourcing



Worthy prioritizes its ingredient sourcing from Pacific Northwest purveyors.

>80%

of Worthy's hops are sourced from the Willamette Valley

- Source malt [barley] from Great Western Malting, Vancouver, WA.
- Heart & Soul beers often use malt from Mecca Grade Estate Malt in Madras, OR.
- Every Worthy beer uses hops that are certified Salmon Safe, meaning they are cultivated under practices that protect water quality, maintain watershed health, and restore habitat for native salmon.



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Brewery Recycling

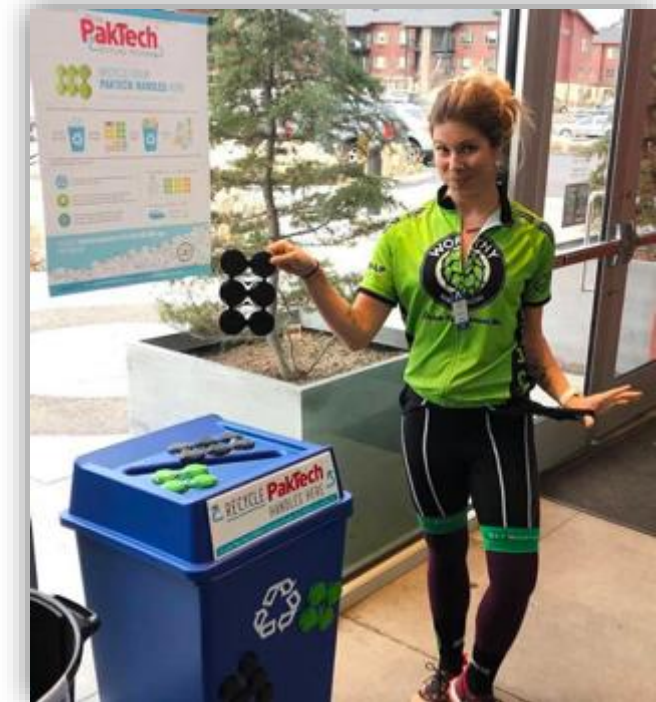


Worthy Brewing is implementing a new recycling program with The Broomsmen, which is focused on recycling or repurposing more of the brewing operations by-products including:

- Mylar malt bags
- Plastic pallet wraps
- Aluminum cans
- Tasting cups (polystyrene) & Styrofoam
- Cardboard
- PakTech can carriers [to date: we've recycled more than 5 bins' worth!]

This dramatically reduces the items going to Knott Landfill.

Staff & community education is a significant part of this initiative; ensuring employees know what types of plastics are able to be recycled significantly impacts Worthy's success both inside & outside of the brewery.



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Waste Reduction & Repurposing



Worthy partners with local farmers & ranchers to repurpose its waste stream.

- Greene Bros Ranch picks up Worthy's spent grain 3-4 times a week for cattle feed.
- When possible & for special events, Worthy purchases beef from Greene Bros to feature in select dishes.
- Boundless Farmstead picks up Worthy's spent hops, yeast, and trub [spinoff from the whirlpool] for compst.
- Worthy's restaurants purchase Boundless Farmstead produce through local food distributor, Agricultural Connections when possible; more frequently during the summer months.

Going **Green: WHAT'S NEXT** Brewery Waste Water (BWW): There's **ENERGY** and \$\$\$ in that wastewater!

The Challenge: All Bend breweries send their wastewater to the city treatment plant; this “high strength waste stream is processed aerobically, consuming large amounts of electricity and chemicals...and generating greenhouse gases.

*Bend's 6 largest breweries generate 50M Gals of waste per year, 10% hi-strength, 400 x more than homes.

*40M gals hi + med strength WW down drain

*Passing the buck to taxpayers? Does X-strength surcharge solve problem? Still huge carbon add.



Going **Green: WHAT'S NEXT**

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The Idea: bring the Bend brewing community together to create a community Resource Recovery Center (bio-digester) for brewery wastewater and high strength byproducts. This will:

- o Keep treatment fees flat or reduced for participating brewers
- o Generate renewable energy (biogas, electricity and thermal energy)
- o Reduce Carbon and Methane (2X times worse than CO2) emissions
- o Produce cleaner effluent and natural fertilizer



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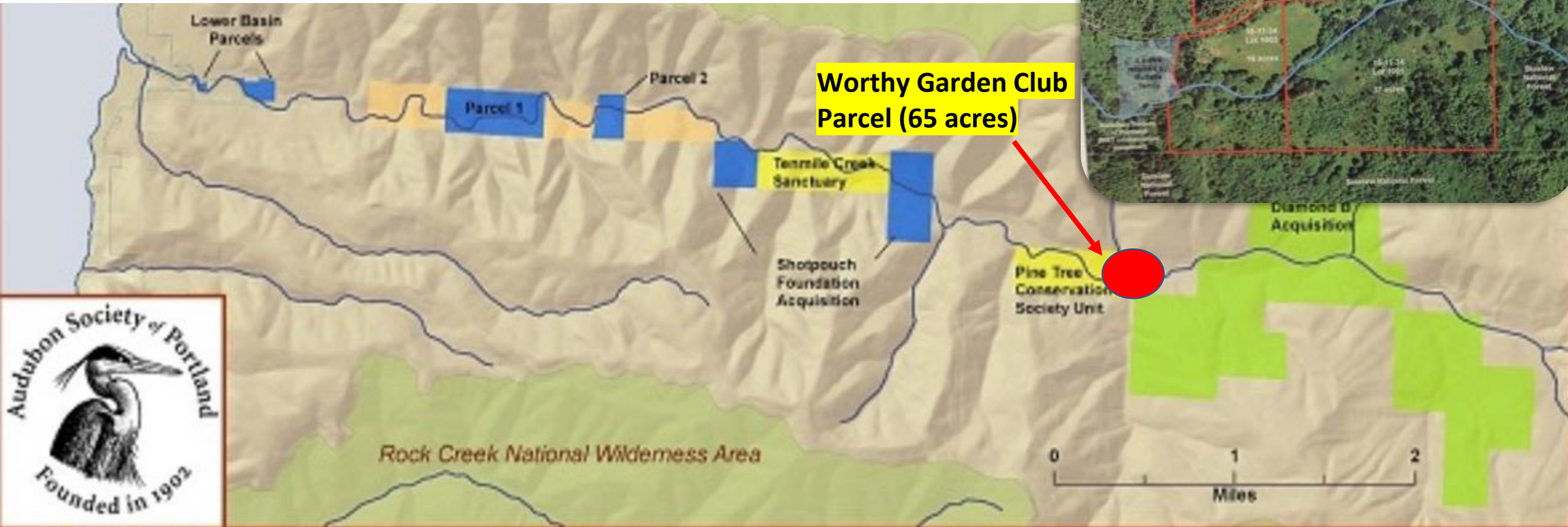
Worthy Garden Club, 501c3



- 30,000+ sq ft of pollinator-friendly garden areas, including raised herb & edible flower beds, two display gardens, drainage swale/rain garden, and half acre of native plantings.
- Top bar beehive: educate community about pollinators & their struggle with climate change; use their honey in select pub dishes and specialty Heart & Soul beers.
- Estate hop yard: serves as a satellite lab for OSU; many on-site varieties that were developed by the USDA-ARS Hop Breeding program under OSU's Dr. Al Haunold. Each year, Worthy brewers brew an estate hop IPA.

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Tenmile Creek & Restoration Strategy



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10 Point Restoration Plan for Biodiversity & Natural Climate Solutions

- Clean up process [remove the old homestead, junk left on property]
- Restoration begins [target: 2020; a few examples below]
 - Planting willow, maple & cedar trees next to the stream
 - Create pollinator habitat by doing understory planting
 - Create fenced elk enclosures in the uplands & riparian areas



What will this do?

Long-term increases in carbon storage & biodiversity. These benefits are just now starting to be recognized in the field of Natural Climate Solutions.



Figure 1. Road decommission along Cape Creek removes a barrier to floodplain recovery.