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BEND CHAPTER

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SMOKE CREEK BUCK & POLE PROJECT April 21 – 24, 2021

Bend OHA took the lead for this event and communicated and coordinated the build with Mary Jo Hedrick who contracts with Ecotrust Forest Management (EFM). Last year contract crews-built half the buck and pole fence at Smoke Creek and this year OHA built 2,900 feet of fence to complete the project. 21 volunteers put in a total of 393 hours and 3,681 miles to complete this project. Besides Bend OHA we had Bill Center, Emerald Chapter and Ken Hand, MDF helping. According to Mary Jo Hedrick had paid labor completed our work it would have cost \$33,500.



Volunteers began arriving Wednesday at which time we started assembling the Bucks and laying out the materials along the fence route. Friday, we began building fence and were done the following morning. Volunteers were enthusiastic, hardworking, energetic and just an overall joy to be with.



L: Mary Jo Hedrick, State OHA Secretary and part time consultant for EFM did not hesitate to pitch in and help. From time to time, she would also capture an audience as she talked about wildlife and habitat from her experience of having been a wildlife biologist with ODFW. R: Violet Newman daughter to Eric was ready to jump in and lend a hand. Lower L: Tim and Judy McClurg. Lower R: Don Clark and Bill Beckley.







Volunteers: Eric Brown, Dave Sweet, Greg Petsch, Brian Gainer, Don Clark, Renata Thommen, Roger Points, Rex Parks, Gary Holtz, Bill Beckley, Bob Harrison, Bill Littlefield, Tim & Judy McClurg, Eric Newman, Joe Giacinto, Chris Mills, John Bambe, Kevin Borst, Ken Hand (MDF), Bill Center (Emerald Chapter)

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