

New Restoration Ecologist Hired

In December, SFEG proudly welcomes Sue Madsen as the newest member of our staff. Sue was hired to fill the newly created position of Restoration Ecologist that will lead our habitat



restoration programs. SFEG performed an exhaustive search receiving 50 applications from highly qualified individuals around the country and even several from out of the country as well. We are very pleased with the qualifications Sue brings to help restore Skagit salmon populations. Sue is a professional fluvial geomorphologist/hydrologist with over 15 years of experience working on watershed and salmon related projects. She has a master's degree in Geomorphology from Colorado State University and two bachelor's degrees from the University of Montana in Forest Hydrology and Geography with a Watershed Management focus. Sue most recently worked as a senior scientist for R2, a small private consulting firm specializing in fisheries science and

engineering. Prior to this work she worked for the Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe and the City of Bellingham. A resident of Skagit County, we are excited to have a local scientist with Sue's depth of experience and knowledge to help mobilize landowners and community members to participate in our restoration efforts. Please join us in giving Sue a very hearty welcome to the SFEG community!