

## IDLER'S REST RIBBON CUTTING & GRAND REOPENING

Saturday, June 5, 2021  
9am-noon

Celebrate National Trails Day with the official ribbon cutting of the new Universal Access Trail and amenities at Idler's Rest. Full details coming soon!



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## Spring 2021 Update



## *National Accreditation Excellence. Permanence. Trust.*

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## Protected: 80-acres of habitat for 17 iconic species

**“All I can say is be careful; I got caught in the sticky web of native plant fanatics and now look at me,”** landowner Sarah Metcalf says with a chuckle.

“I had no idea that the land was special when I bought it in 1995. It had been logged and grazed and seemed like any other piece of property. But then I learned that many of the grasses and small plants I was seeing were actually really extraordinary.”

Because of you and your continuing support, Sarah’s 80-acres of timberland, wildlife habitat, and native Palouse Prairie will be permanently protected this year along the Washington/Idaho border.

The project will protect habitat for 17 species of greatest conservation concern, and provides wonderful recovery opportunities for native Palouse Prairie plants, including the federally threatened Spalding’s catchfly.



Wildlife and pollinators thrive on the property and utilize it as an important travel corridor. In addition to the spunky “pet” ruffed grouse that chases people and vehicles down the path, the property is also host to over 50 species of birds, big game like deer and elk, and everything in between.

Like you, Sarah shares an impressive land ethic. “When I learned how little prairie was left, I knew I needed to protect it. And not just for me. If I’m going to own land, I’m going to take care of it, and at that, I don’t even feel like I own the property. I’m just a steward.”

“It’s everyone’s land, and I’m just here to care for it for you, for the animals, for all the birds and bugs and every other living thing.” Thank you for your generous support that makes this project, and so much, possible.



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