

Biography for Kaola Swanson

Pacific Forest Trust, a forest conservation and land trust organization, has worked for more than 25 years in partnership with private landowners, communities and government agencies to sustain America's forests for their many public benefits of wood, water, wildlife and people's well-being.

Kaola Swanson is the Oregon Program Director for Pacific Forest Trust. Kaola holds a bachelor's degree in Environmental Science from University of Oregon and a master's degree in Environmental Management from Duke University. Her love of western forests is rooted in her experience as a wilderness educator at Opal Creek Ancient Forest Center. Her most recent work as Conservation Programs Director for The Freshwater Trust was focused on developing investment strategies and systems to increase the pace and scale of freshwater conservation. She is deeply committed to the concept of the radical middle and finding practical solutions that meet the needs of the environment, economy, and society.

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