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Hello Friend,

It's that time of year where the weather is becoming progressively warmer and life is taking hold all around us. Birds are nesting, a multitude of plants are flowering and adding splashes of color to the landscape all around us. Spring in Prescott usually features winds whipping with a frenzy, drying the landscape at an alarming rate. Granite Creek in Watson Woods Riparian Preserve is quickly becoming a trickle and protection from wildfire is on our minds! In this issue of the Prescott Creekside E-News we celebrate the completion of the Granite Creek Cleanup, shed some light on what was found, recognize those who made it a success, and highlight additional ways that you can work with Prescott Creeks to achieve healthy watersheds throughout the year.

Cleaned Up Creeks

2022 marked the 15th year for Granite Creek Cleanup under Prescott Creeks' leadership and the community was eager for the event! **584 people** showed up at Granite Creek Park on the morning of April 23rd and headed off to almost **50 locations** around the watershed to collect trash and debris from the creeks. **1.83 Tons** of trash and debris, along with **14 tires**, were collected during the 4-hour event! [Read more...](#)



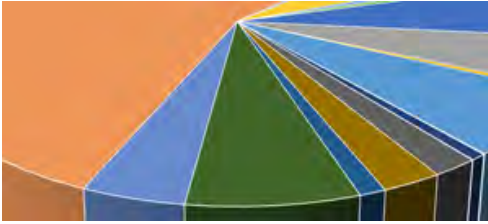
Tyler & Bronson Prehn cleaning up along Granite Creek.

Photo by Virginia Wertz

SAVE THE DATE:
2023 Granite Creek Cleanup
Saturday, April 22, 2023 (Earth Day!)

What was in there?

For the first time ever Prescott Creeks worked with the City of Prescott to audit the trash collected during the Cleanup. We sampled ~38% of the trash collected and found 57% of it to be Plastic! Trash fell into 18 categories ranging from plastic to metal to yard waste to bone. [Read more...](#)



Who made it possible?

Sponsors and partners make this event possible! **Findlay Subaru Prescott** was the **Premier Sponsor** for a second year. The City of Prescott (Recreation Services and Solid Waste Division) and the Yavapai County GIS Department were critical operational partners making it all happen! [Read more...](#)



Ways You Can Help Throughout the Year

Prescott Creeks is supported by a passionate community of volunteers. You can celebrate the watershed and its many creeks and lakes by lending a hand. Your volunteer service is an essential part of protecting nature, controlling pollution, and conserving wildlife.



Kassie and Alex record Phenology data for a red willow (*Salix laevigata*) at the Preserve.

Photo by Prescott Creeks

Current Opportunities include:

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