



2022 Washington State Trail Coalition Trails Awards Program

OUTSTANDING TRAIL AWARD: Canyon Creek Downhill



Since its completion in 2020, the Canyon Creek Downhill (CCDH), has become one of the most popular trails in the Ragging River State Forest. Descending 1800 vertical feet over 2.4 miles, the trail features four distinct sections each with its own temperament. Hundreds — if not thousands — of riders have pushed their limits on this trail, all thanks to the collaboration and dedication of the folks who brought it to life.

Construction of the trail was led by a group of local women known as the “Sturdy Bitches,” aka the Sturdy B’s. In 2019, founding member of the Sturdy B’s and Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance Board Member, Ady Bee Lane, received a message from Evergreen stating that the route down Canyon Creek must be built mostly with volunteer hours and asked if the Sturdy B’s would adopt the area.

Ady consulted with the team, and the unanimous reply was, “heck yeah!” The Sturdy B’s dedicated monthly dig days to CCDH between 2019 and 2021 and spent many additional hours outside of that, helping on the trail and providing ideas and feedback to Evergreen. According to Ady, “It was extremely gratifying to watch the trail take shape and become exactly what we had envisioned — a spicy track that everyone could enjoy.”



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