

# VOLUNTEER SHOWCASE

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## Returning to NRCS: Retiree Donates His Time to California Field Office

Joe Evans recently retired from Oregon Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), but continues to stay involved by donating his time and experience as an Earth Team volunteer.

Evans volunteers with the Lakeport Field Office in California. This summer, he was a presenter at "Kids in the Creek," a half day event sponsored by the East Lake Resource Conservation District in Lake County, CA.

The goal of the event is to excite and inspire children about the difference they can make in the health of their community's watersheds. Approximately 150 Lake County 3rd, 4th and 5th graders participated this year.

There were five interactive stations with presenters addressing natural resource topics including fire, native plants, geology, water quality and soils.

At the NRCS station, the Lakeport Field Office staff talked about soils and watershed health and was fortunate to have Earth Team volunteer and NRCS retiree, Joe Evans as a knowledgeable and engaging presenter.



*Joe Evans illustrates that watersheds are normally bounded by high ridgetops. Photo by Ed Oswald.*



The Earth Team is the volunteer component of the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), a USDA agency. For more about NRCS and the Earth Team, visit [www.usda.nrcs.gov](http://www.usda.nrcs.gov).

If you are interested in volunteering, call (888) 526-3227 or visit your local NRCS office to learn about volunteer opportunities.