



## 2011-2012 AmeriCorps Watershed Stewards

Breanna and Kristen are Watershed Stewards serving at Wishtoyo Foundation's Ventura Coastkeeper Program and California Trout from October 2011 to August 2012. The AmeriCorps Watershed Stewards Project's (WSP) mission is to conserve, restore, and enhance anadromous watersheds for future generations by linking education with high quality scientific practices. A special project of the California Conservation Corps, WSP is administered by California Volunteers and sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service. Throughout the year Kristen and Breanna will primarily be monitoring flow on the Santa Clara River and working on an Invasive Species Management Plan for the Santa Clara river and its tributaries. As part of their service they will also be organizing a restoration service project in the area and doing education in local classrooms about salmonids and watersheds.

### Kristen Gangl



Kristen graduated from the University of Minnesota in December 2009 with a BS in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management with a emphasis in Policy, Planning, Law, and Society. She was a member of AmeriCorps Watershed Stewards Project's year 16 with the Department of Fish and Game in Yreka, where she performed rotary screw trapping, HOBOT temperature logging, spawner surveys; delivered watershed education programs; planned the 2010 Yreka Salmon Festival; and a organized a tree planting on the Shasta River. After her term was done she stayed in Yreka and continued to work with Fish and Game where she performed screw trapping and temperature monitoring as well as PIT tagging, fyke and seine netting, antenna assembly, installation, and maintenance.

### Breanna A. Chandler



Breanna holds a BA in Environmental Studies with an emphasis in Ecological Design and a minor in Dance from Pacific University. She enhances the lives of her peers with dance through her breadth of knowledge, performance and a shining enthusiasm for her art. While at Pacific, she interned for Oregon's Department of Forestry, where she helped manage the ecological health of the Tillamook State Forest and educated visitors. Breanna has researched tropical biology in Belize and Honduras and taught ecological health to school children through out Colorado and Oregon. She has served on the executive board for planning and implementing exhibits for the Jackson Bottom Wetland Mitigation Banks in partnership with Clean Water Services. Breanna is also working with Could You? based in Mozambique to break the paradigm of poverty relief work in Africa. She was fortunate enough to grow up in Durango CO, where she cultivated a strong passion for the environment.