

NEXT Renewable Fuels Partners with Rainier School District to Host Earth-Day Inspired Volunteer Event

Brings Trail Connectivity to Outdoor Classrooms for Hands-on STEM Learning Opportunities

Rainier, OR May 8, 2023 – NEXT Renewable Fuels (NEXT), a developer of clean fuel facilities, partnered with the Rainier School District to host a volunteer event inspired by Earth Day. The event took place on Friday, May 5th, 2023, from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the Rainier School Campus located at 28168 Old Rainier Rd, Rainier, OR 97048.

The event, which aimed to reclaim the campus trails, saw NEXT team volunteers, Rainier students, and school staff working together to distribute bark chips on the trails. The event is part of NEXT's ongoing commitment to the community and was chosen in collaboration with the school district as a priority project to ensure students have reliable access to their outdoor classrooms.

To support the school district, NEXT provided the financial support needed to deliver truckloads of donated bark chips and organized volunteers to help spread the bark chips alongside students, staff, and other community members.

"We're excited to partner with the Rainier School District to help make hands-on STEM learning and outdoor classroom access a priority for students," said Michael Hinrichs, NEXT's Director of Communications. "As a clean fuels company, we understand the importance of taking care of the environment, now and for future generations, and were honored to support Rainier School District and its students in this way."

This Earth Day-inspired event is just one of the many ways NEXT is working towards a more sustainable future. The company is dedicated to decarbonizing transportation and developing clean fuel solutions that can help positively change the trajectory of climate change.

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About NEXT

NEXT is a next generation fuels company dedicated to sustainably producing clean, low-carbon fuels. The company is permitting and developing a 50,000 barrel-per-day / 750 million gallon-per-year Renewable Diesel ("RD") / Sustainable Aviation Fuel ("SAF") refinery in Oregon with easy multi-modal access to the West Coast demand markets. The project is advancing through permitting and expects to begin construction upon



completion of an Environmental Impact Statement currently underway with the US Army Corp of Engineers. RD and SAF are high-margin liquid transportation fuels worldwide and there is an urgent global demand for increased supply. To learn more about NEXT, please visit www.nextrenewables.com.

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