

## SWCA ACQUIRES LEADING RESTORATION FIRM RIVER DESIGN GROUP

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SWCA Environmental Consultants, a leader in environmental and management consulting services, has acquired River Design Group (RDG), a leading ecosystem and river restoration consulting firm based in the northwestern United States.

Founded in 2003, River Design Group helps clients design and implement high-quality ecological restoration projects to restore rivers and watersheds, create vital fish passage corridors, and enhance ecosystems through major dam removal and habitat restoration projects.

River Design Group is well-respected in the industry for combining science-based knowledge with proven engineering techniques to advance the field of ecosystem and river restoration. The team brings deep technical expertise in stream, river, and wetland restoration, dam removal, fish passage, watershed and geomorphic assessments, remote sensing, and land surveying.

“We are pleased to welcome River Design Group to SWCA,” said Joseph J. Fluder, III, SWCA’s president and chief executive officer. “The addition of River Design Group greatly enhances our expertise and capabilities in strategic growth areas, allowing us to better serve our clients. Bringing on their exceptional team is a pivotal step toward our North Star to be a global leader addressing sustainability, environmental and social challenges.”

“This is an opportunity to grow River Design Group’s legacy of providing high-quality, specialized river restoration services to our clients. The supporting infrastructure and expertise of the established SWCA team will allow us to continue to focus on what we do best — designing and building projects that benefit the ecosystem,” said Matt Daniels, owner at River Design Group.

“Our people love what they do and are connected to the places we work. By joining SWCA, we’ll be able to expand what we can offer our clients while creating greater opportunities for our people and giving back to our local communities,” said Scott Wright, owner at River Design Group.

*Link to original press release:*

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