

NWIFC Magazine: Camas saved and planted in community garden

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The new NWIFC Magazine is online and features a story about how the Nisqually Tribe rescued a rare and culturally important plant. [From the Magazine:](#)

Two hundred camas bulbs that were almost buried under a new road are now part of the Nisqually Tribe's community garden.

"We got these plants out just in time," said Caitlin Krenn, the community garden coordinator. A work party of volunteers quickly mobilized last spring to salvage the plants before they were paved over with a new by-pass in Yelm.

The two-year-old community garden is located in the upland portion of the Nisqually Cultural Center, a former ranch the tribe purchased almost 10 years ago as part of a salmon habitat restoration project.

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"Our major villages were usually located between fishing sites and camas prairies," said Georgianna Kautz, the tribe's natural resources manager.

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