Julie Davies O'Shea



Julie Davies O'Shea is the founder and Executive Director of the Farmers Conservation Alliance (FCA). With an extensive background in conservation, renewable energy, and irrigation projects, Julie is the catalyst behind the growth and development of FCA. This includes the marketing of the Farmers Screen technology and the creation of the Irrigation Modernization Program. Through Julie's leadership, FCA has become known for its on-the-ground work to build relationships and implement solutions that benefit agriculture, the environment, and rural communities.

HEADLINE

Julie was central to the development and vision for Farmers Conservation Alliance, and continues to oversee the now five-fold growth of the organization.

EXPERTISE

Project and Organizational Finance; alternative financing

Agency and Regulatory relationships and processes

Innovation and Collaboration

EDUCATION

B.S. English, University of Michigan

ACHIEVEMENTS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FARMERS CONSERVATION ALLIANCE

- Led the groundbreaking effort to acquire the first approval granted for horizontal fish screen technology from the National Marine Fisheries Service.
- Responsible for raising more than \$70 million for FCA and irrigation modernization efforts through federal, state, and private financing.
- Oversaw the market transfer and installation of 49 Farmers Screens throughout six states.
- Sets strategic vision and leadership for the organization, including regional, national and international projects, and partnerships; oversees a team of engineers, communication, financing and policy experts.
- Launched FCA's Irrigation Modernization Program: a comprehensive strategy to address irrigation modernization that now partners with 18 irrigation districts throughout Oregon and is expanding throughout the western United States. IMP received the 2016 State Leadership in Clean Energy Award from the Clean Energy States Alliance, a national award recognizing programs that have accelerated the adoption of clean energy technologies and expanded clean energy markets.
- Developed innovative social enterprise and financing packages to support community funding efforts.
- Featured speaker to more than 100 audiences at various industry, finance, irrigation, social impact, and renewable energy conferences.

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