

Urban and Community Forestry Assistance Program Updates



“The Legend of Giants” mural. Painted 2013
Artist: Natalia Rak. Location: Bialystock, Poland

**Presented to the
Oregon Board of Forestry**

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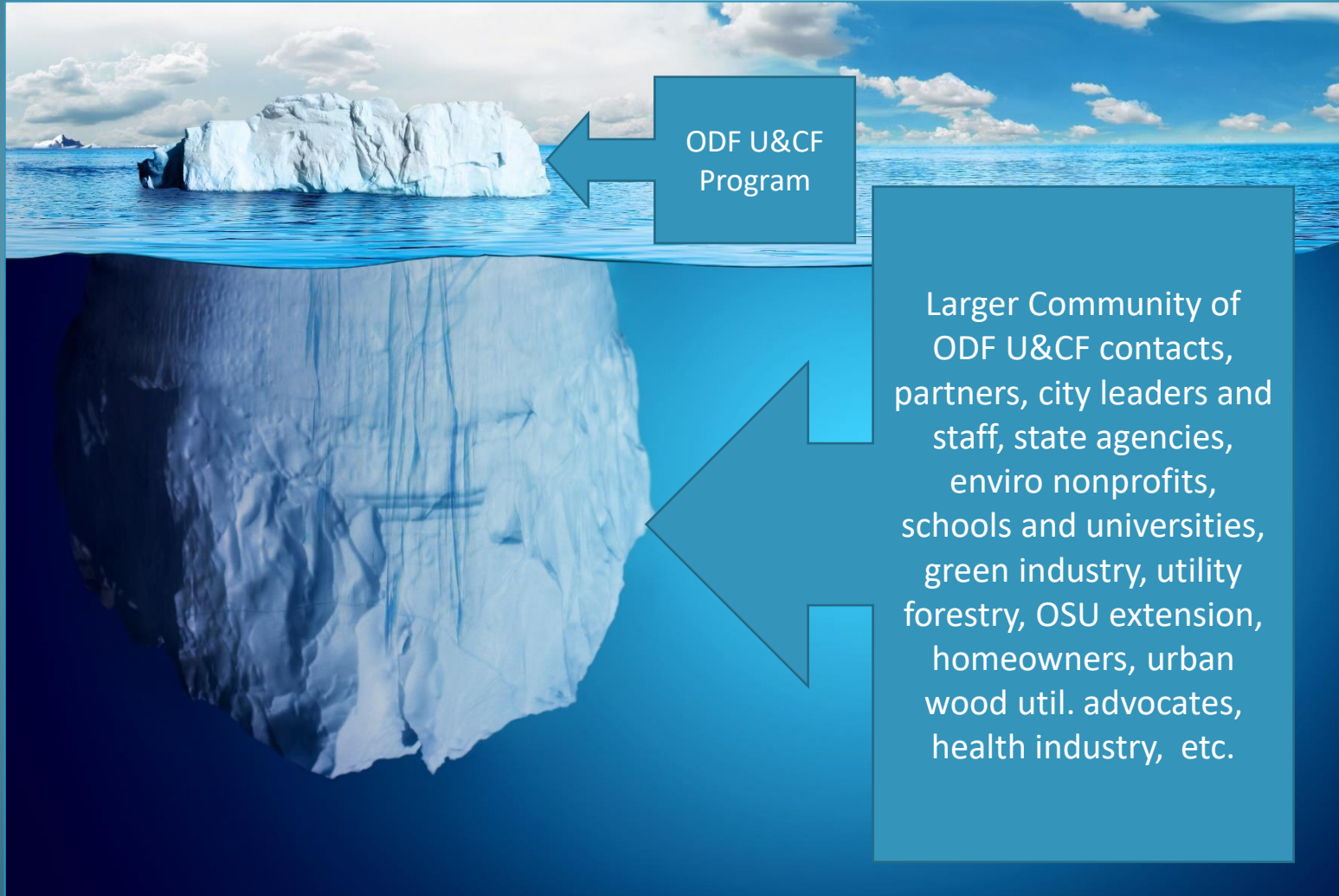
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November 3, 2021

Doing Right by Urban Trees



Small Program, Wide Outreach



Program Highlights



- The Governor proclaimed April as Arbor Month
- UCF program staff made over 350 assists this past year
- Despite the pandemic, we celebrated our largest number of Tree Cities - 69





Private Forests
Urban & Community
Forestry Assistance Program



Legend

- Tree City USA
- Sterling Tree City USA
- Counties

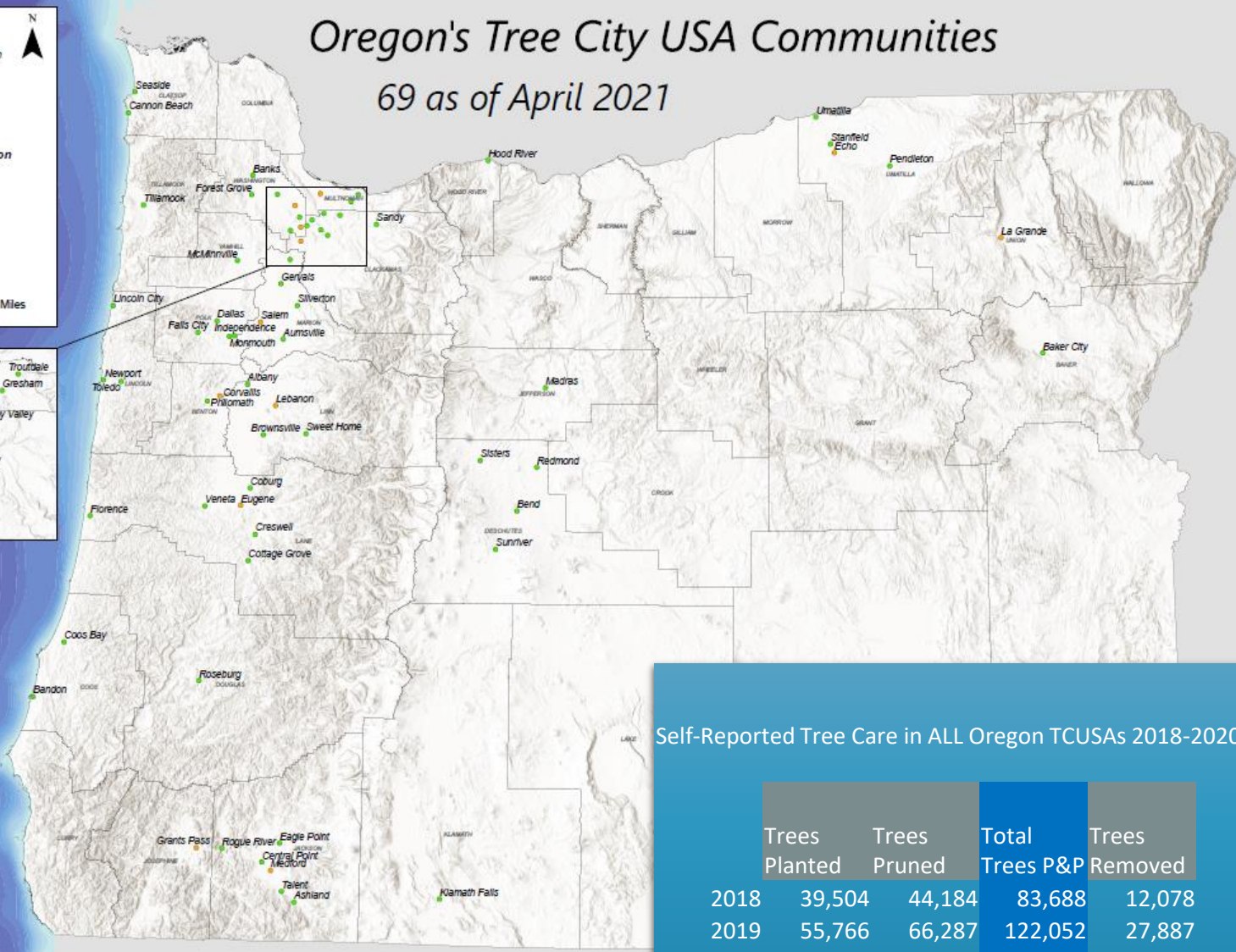
Tree Campus Higher Education

- Corban University
- Eastern Oregon University
- Oregon State University
- Portland Community College
- Portland State University
- Southern Oregon University
- Western Oregon University

50 Miles

Oregon's Tree City USA Communities

69 as of April 2021



Self-Reported Tree Care in ALL Oregon TCUSAs 2018-2020

	Trees Planted	Trees Pruned	Total Trees P&P	Trees Removed
2018	39,504	44,184	83,688	12,078
2019	55,766	66,287	122,052	27,887
2020	61,868	54,972	116,840	12,584

Program Highlights



- **With OCT, we cohosted our first virtual UCF conference.**
- **Both U&CF Program staff attended an intensive training in Environmental Justice, sponsored by the Alliance for Community Trees**

The 2021 Urban Forestry Conference focused on water-wise tree care strategies for cities

Program Highlights



- Webinar on “Trees in a Climate of Change”
- Our program newsletter is reaching more people than ever.
- We have doubled the number of communities engaged with Tree Plotter Inventory

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COMMUNITY TREE CONNECTIONS

The Newsletter of the Urban & Community Forestry Assistance Program

A note from Kristin

How easy it is to ruminate on the complex challenges our world, our state, and our communities are facing. Climate change, job opportunities, equity and diversity, drought and wildfire, the surging Delta variant, and so much more can occupy the “real estate” in our brains. Many of you may be familiar with the bumper sticker, “Trees are the Answer.” For me, “Urban Forestry is an Answer” to many of the issues confronting our cities today.

First, whether the climate is making your town drier or wetter, the virtual Oregon Urban and Community Forestry Conference, Water Wise Community Forests: Strategies for our Future, will offer information and resources. The Sept. 14-15 conference is going on now. For more, please [visit the Oregon Department of Forestry website](#).

Second, urban forestry as a profession is growing and implementation; it is becoming a priority for many jobs as well as technology-based solutions. In this issue, we focus on the

Calendar

Sept. 14 – 15, 2021
ODF & OCT present Oregon Urban & Community Forestry Conference, Water Wise Community Forests: Strategies for our Future
(See article below.)
[Register for conference](#)

Sept. 14, 2021, noon CT
Long-term effects of electrical right-of-way vegetation management on floral and faunal communities
TREE Fund Webinar Series
[Webinar](#)

Oregon Department of Forestry
October 30 at 7:01 AM

The latest peace tree grown from seeds of trees that survived the 1945 atom bombing of Hiroshima is headed to its new home in Gresham near that city's Japanese garden. Gresham plans to plant the tree next fall. Here, volunteer Jim Buck admires the sapling ginkgo's fall color.

Oregon TreePlotter™ Inventory



Welcome to Oregon's Tree Plotter Inventory Landing Page – Let's Get Started!



- Tree Map
- Add A Tree
- Tree Tours
- More Resources

Statewide, 11,415 trees have been inventoried

ECO BENEFITS



Energy Savings
\$49,426



Carbon Sequestered
(lb)
1,271,350

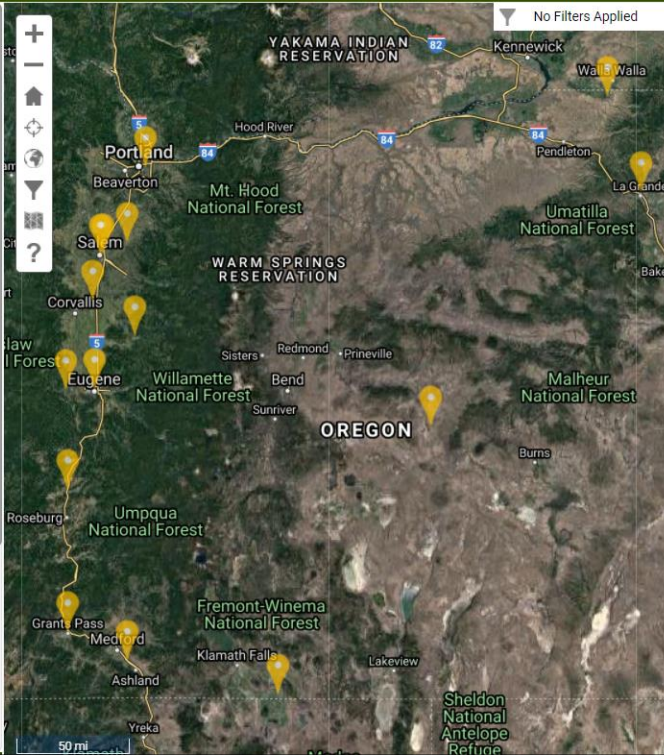


Stormwater Runoff
(gal)
8,296,610



Air Quality
\$16,664

Over the next 50 years, urban areas will grow substantially, and trees will become even more critical in our communities, contributing to improved air quality, stormwater mitigation, and



Layer: Cities

Showing 15 of 15 cities.

Search

SHOW ALL TREES

- Albany
- Eugene
- Grants Pass
- Hiroshima Peace Tree
- La Grande
- Malin
- Milton-Freewater
- Portland
- Salem
- Salem ODF Campus (trial)
- Silverton
- Sutherlin
- Sweet Home
- Talent
- Veneta

Oregon TreePlotter™ Inventory



Total Tree Value and Savings

Total Monetary Benefit: \$810,763

Benefits are only calculated for trees with defined species, DBH, and land use based on i-Tree research. Totals are annual amounts.

 Stormwater Monetary Benefit \$73,232	 Property Value Total \$625,129	 Energy Savings \$42,389	 Air Quality Monetary Benefit \$13,885	 Carbon Monetary Benefit \$12,398
 Runoff Prevention (Gallons) 6,781,590		 Energy Saved (kWh) 582,137	 Pollutants removed (lb) 5,902	 Carbon Stored (lb) 1,909,650
		 Natural Gas Savings \$43,737		 Carbon Sequestered (lb) 1,106,000
		 Heat Prevention (Therms) 45,588		 Carbon Avoided (lb) 926,185

Filters Applied

- (Blue) Atlas cedar (2)
- Alaska yellow cedar
- American beech (4)
- American chestnut (3)
- American elm (26)
- American hophornbeam (2)
- American hornbeam (139)
- American linden (8)
- American mountain-ash (2)
- American smoketree (2)
- American sweetgum (168)
- American sycamore (81)
- American yellowwood (39)
- Amur maackia (33)
- Amur maple (80)
- Apple
- Apple (edible) (23)
- arborvitae spp (2)
- Arizona cypress
- ash spp (4)
- Asian persimmon (edible) (4)
- balsam poplar (3)

REPORTS

MAP TOOLS







DATA TOOLS

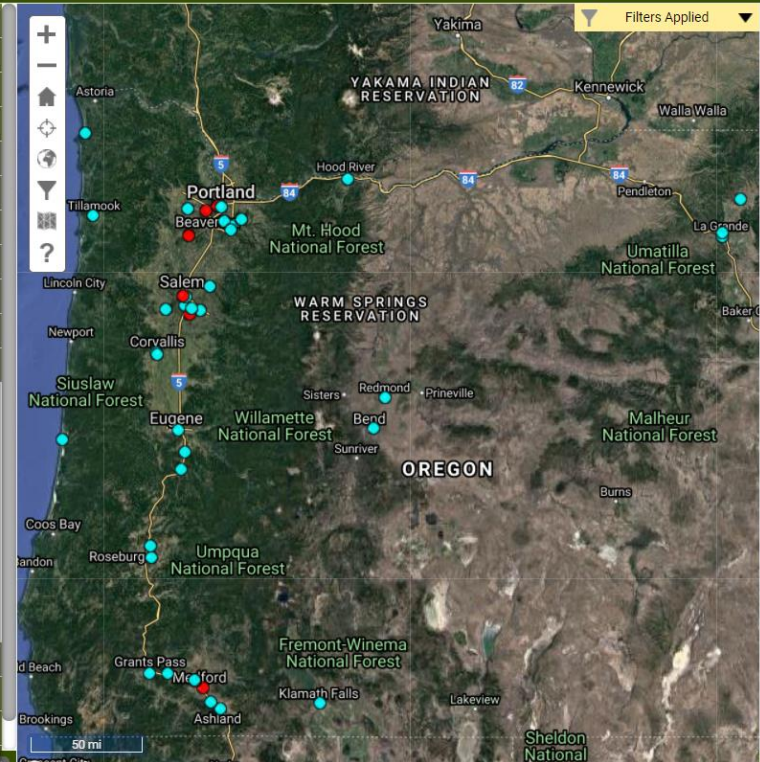
ADMIN

Oregon TreePlotter™ Inventory



EDIT A TREE TOUR

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Filters Applied

Layer: Trees

Display by: Species

Symbology: None

You're viewing the **Hiroshima Peace Tree** trees. Showing 42 of 42 sites.

SHOW ALL TREES BACK TO CITIES

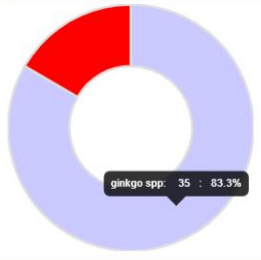
Toggle All ?

Asian persimmon (edible) (7)

ginkgo spp (35)

Charts

PIE BAR



ginkgo spp: 35 : 83.3%

Oregon TreePlotter™ Inventory



Local and State Level Value

Foundation of urban forest management

Improve emergency preparedness

Develop tree equity plans

Inform decision makers and community



OCT Directors tour downtown
Albany



**OREGON
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TREES**



OREGON COMMUNITY TREES

Presented by
Samantha Wolf, President



Partners in Urban Forestry

Education

- Annual Conference
- Workshops

Awareness

- Awards
- Grants

Advocacy

- Arbor Day Proclamation
- Professional Development

COLLABORATION & PROGRESS



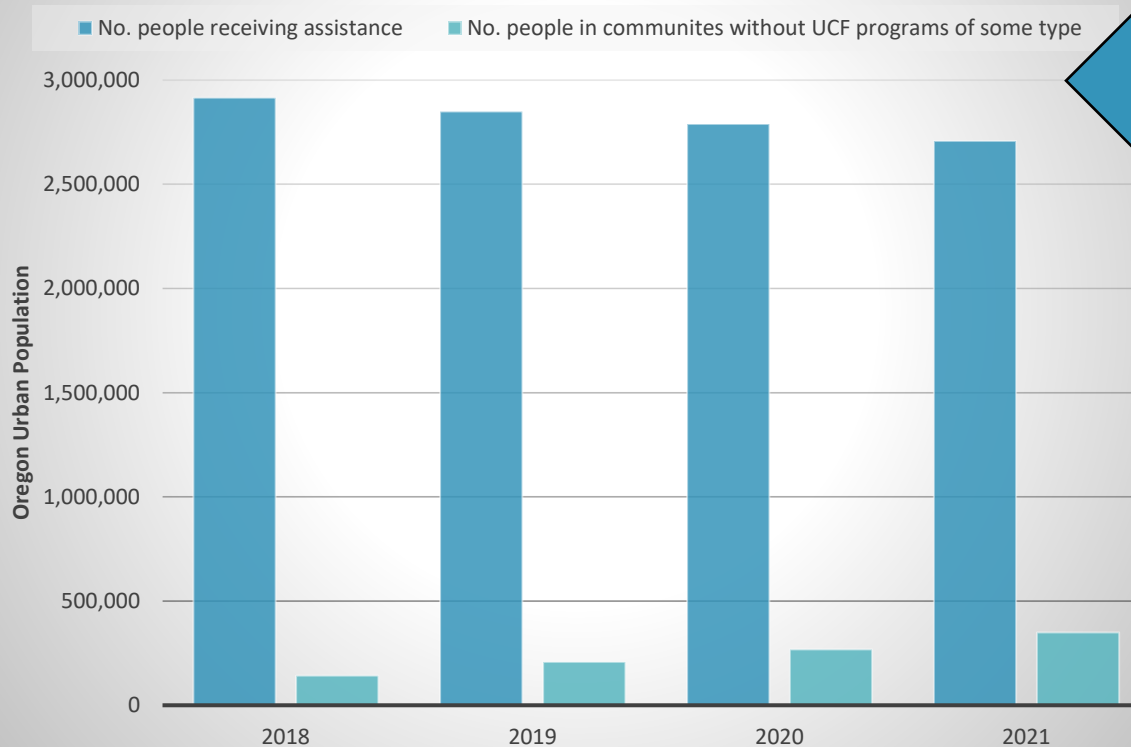
ODF-UCF Staff: expertise, sponsorship, webinars, national connections

OCT: stakeholder input, helping hands, outreach, advocacy

Urban Forestry Program Trends – Population Receiving U&CF Assistance



Changes in Populations Receiving U&CF Assistance (2010 Census)

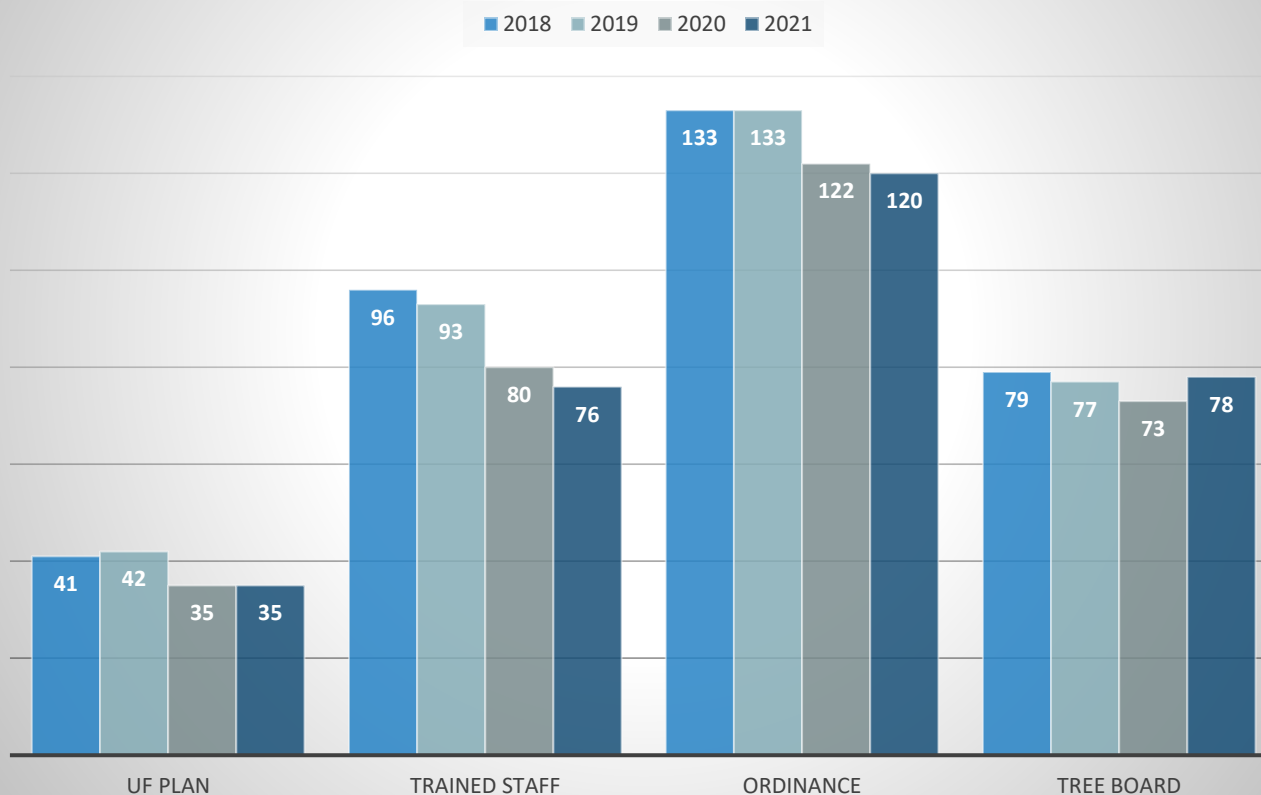


3 million = urban population able to benefit from U&CF outreach

Urban Forestry Program Trends – City Urban Forestry Components



Changes in City Urban Forestry Components
(2018-2021)

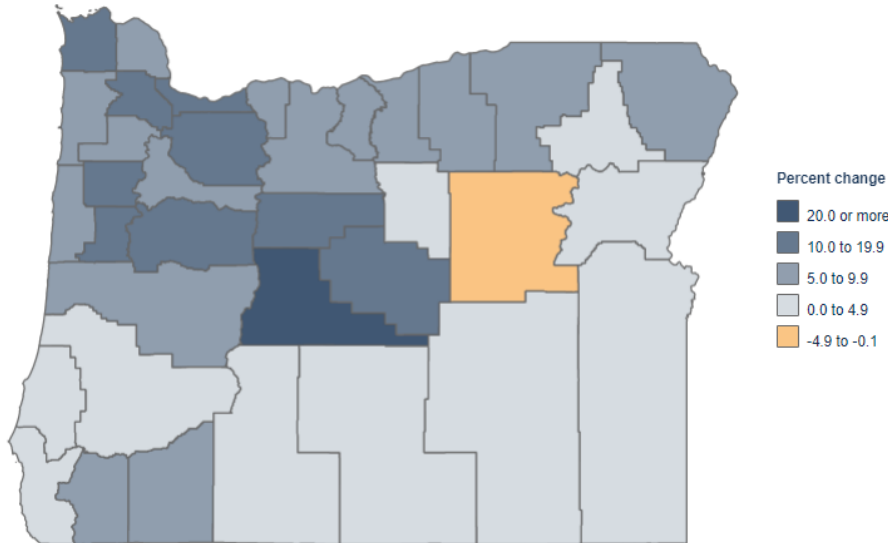


Change in Oregon Population (2010-2020)



Oregon Click a value to the right to change the map and table.	Total Population (2020):	Numeric Change in Population (2010–2020):	Percent Change in Population (2010–2020):
	4,237,256	406,182	10.6%
	Housing Units (2020):	Housing Unit Vacancy Rate (2020):	Percent Change in Housing Units (2010–2020):
	1,813,747	7.8%	8.2%

Percent Change in Population for Oregon Counties:
2010–2020

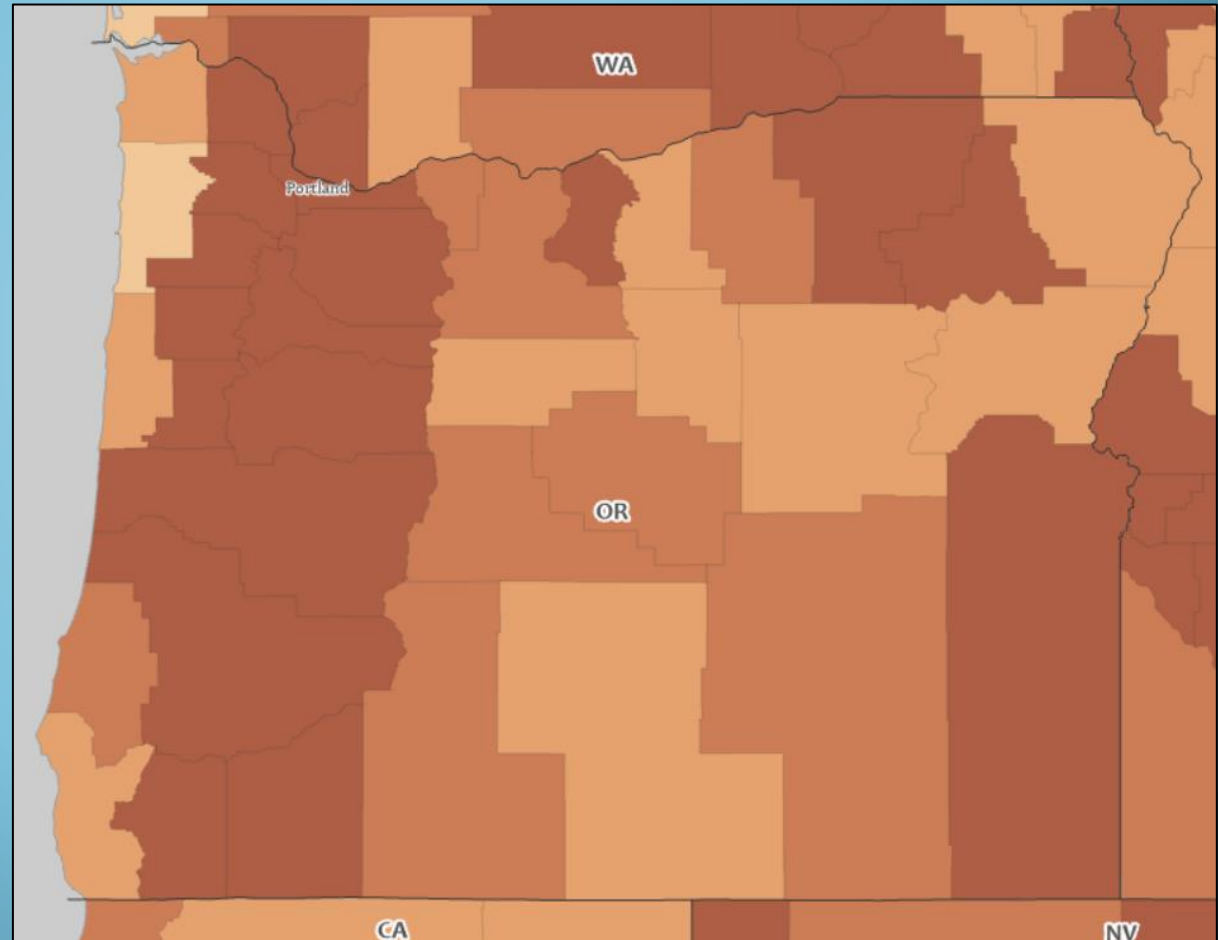
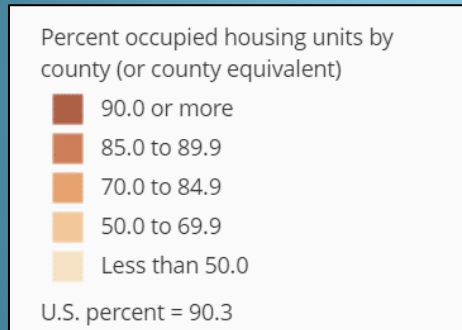


Oregon Counties

(Ranked by percent change in population, 2010–2020)

1.	Deschutes County	25.7
2.	Crook County	17.9
3.	Polk County	16.0
4.	Washington County	13.3
5.	Jefferson County	12.8
6.	Clackamas County	12.1
7.	Benton County	11.2
8.	Multnomah County	10.9
9.	Clatsop County	10.9
10.	Linn County	10.2
11.	Jackson County	9.9
12.	Marion County	9.7
13.	Lincoln County	9.5
14.	Morrow County	9.1
15.	Wheeler County	8.8

Percentage of Occupied Housing Units (2020 Census)



Source: 2020 Census Demographic Data Map Viewer, U.S. Census Bureau

Sustainable Forestry Initiative – Urban and Community Forest Sustainability Standard



This new standard has been built on 5 Principles:

Urban forests and trees ...

1. are vital for community well-being, health, resiliency, and sustainability.
2. require proper planning, care, and management to optimize benefits and minimize risks.
3. depend upon understanding, awareness, appreciation, and engagement from people to thrive in communities.
4. and their associated benefits should be accessible and available to all.
5. are nature-based solutions to pressing issues and essential green infrastructure

Optimizing Carbon in Urban Forests



Cambium Carbon Pilot Project Eugene Oregon



Four key stages of a regenerative
“Reforestation Hub” model:

1. Forest Management & Data Collection
2. Urban Wood Salvage
3. Connecting Urban Wood to the Market
4. Strategies for Canopy Restoration

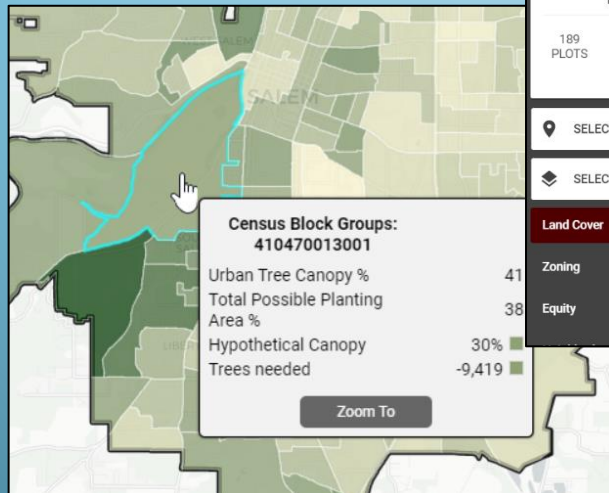
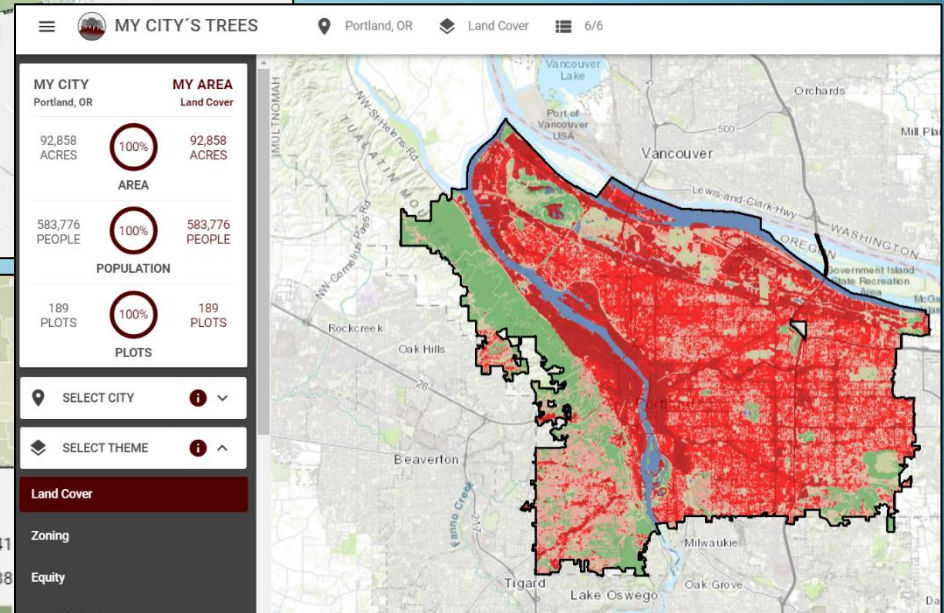
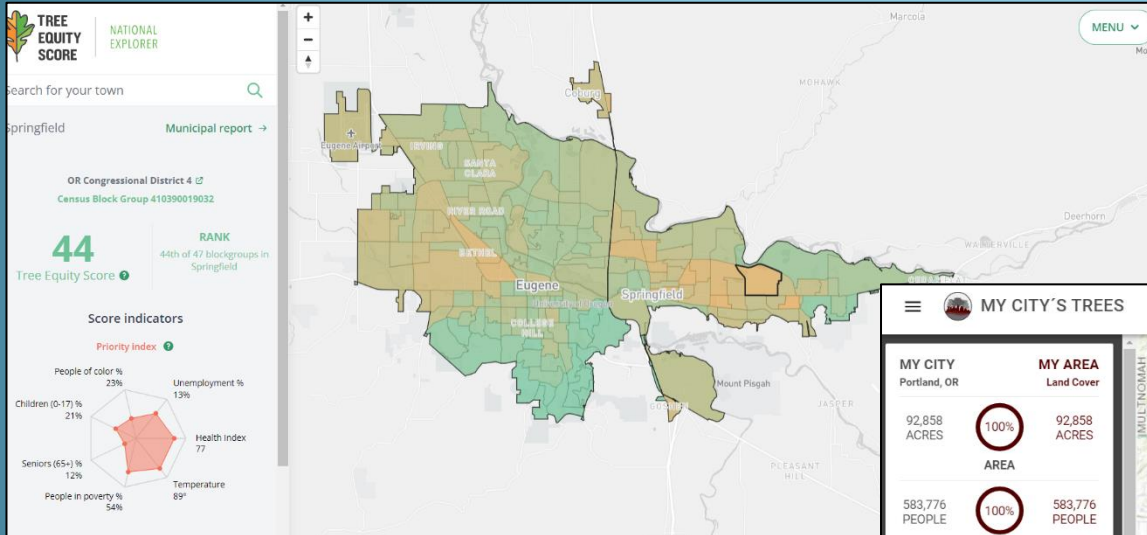


Urban lumber with defects shows character and increases its interest and value in certain markets.

New Data Analysis Tools



American Forests' Tree Equity Score



TreePlotter™
Canopy

My City's Trees

What Lies Ahead



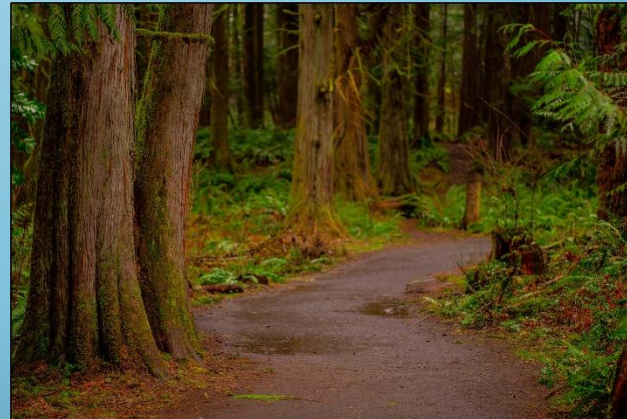
Wilsonville



McMinnville



Lincoln City



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Annual Forest Practices Monitoring Update

Board of Forestry Meeting

November 3, 2021

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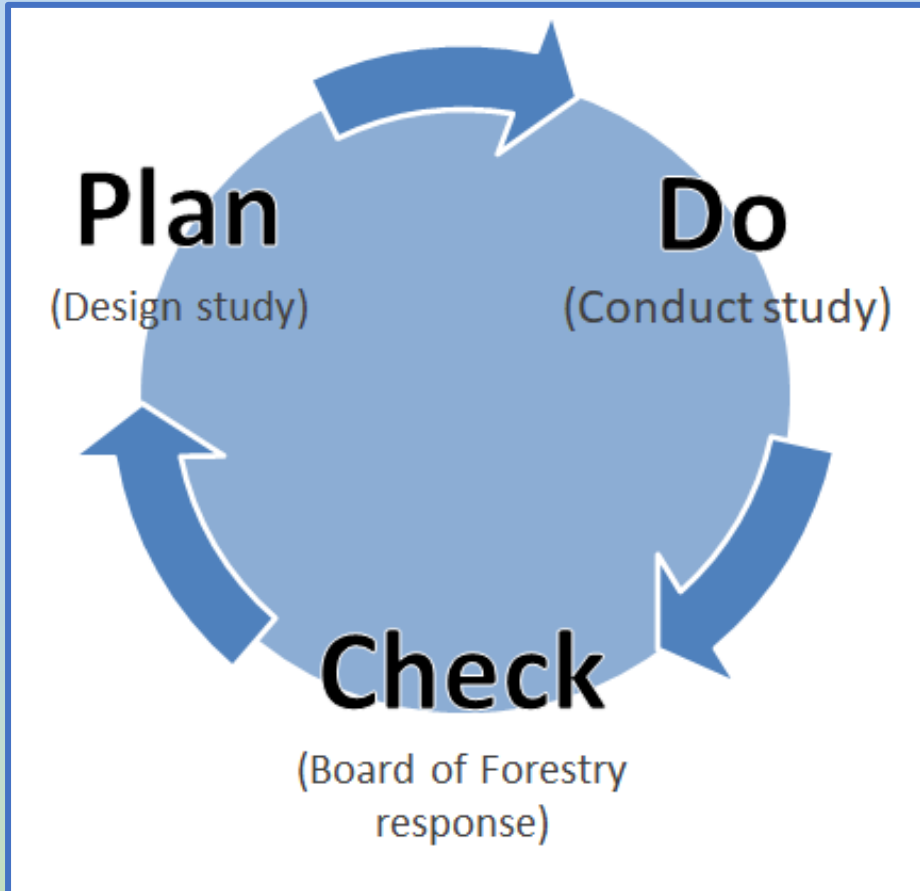


Outline

1. **Monitoring Unit**
2. **Annual Update**
3. **Mount Hood Environmental – presents their work**
4. **ODF response**



Why Monitor?



- **Expectations**

- Statute, Rule, Policy
- Agency best practice

- **Emphasis**

- Collaboration
- Continuous learning
- Adapting to new science
- Rules



ODF Monitoring

- **Monitoring began in 1994**
- **Strategy revised in 2016 (5th ed.)**
- **Effectiveness and Implementation**
- **Monitoring Priorities**





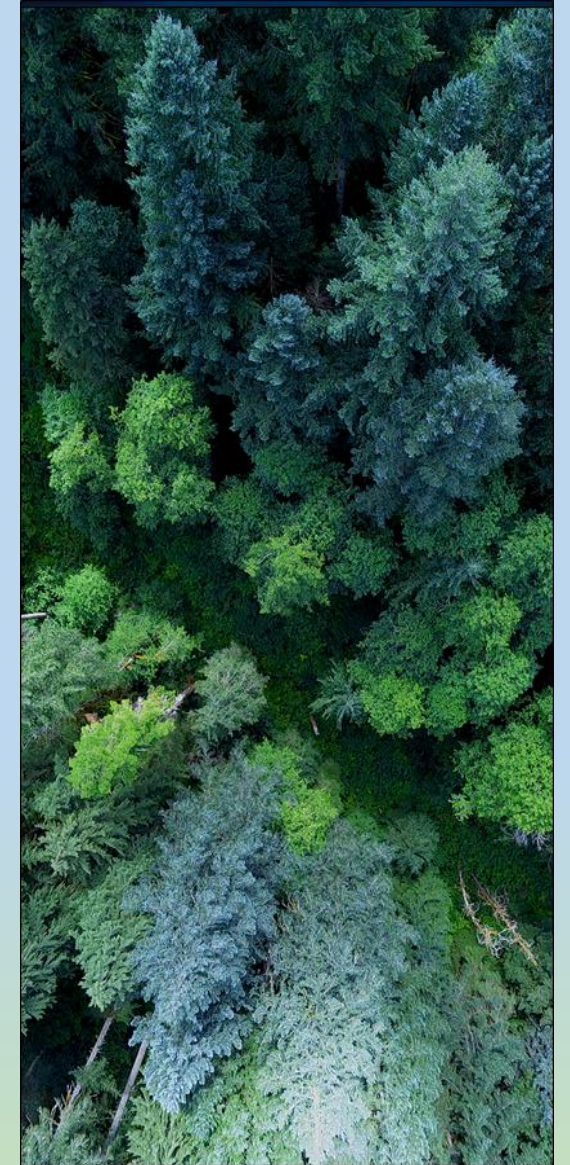
DEQ-ODF Memorandum of Understanding

- Collaborative work and mutual understanding
- MOU public comment & responses
- MOU revisions nearly completed
- Joint BoF – EQC Meeting: November 17, 2021



Western Oregon Streamside Protections Review

1. Field Study and Data Analysis - 'RipStream' study (*completed*)
2. Literature Reviews (DFC and Large Wood)
3. Modeling Analysis and/or Field Data Collection





Implementation Study

Reforestation Pilot Study

- Recommendations from Mount Hood Environmental
- Input from external review team
- Collecting field data

Past and Future Implementation Studies:

- Mount Hood Environmental (presenting today)

Oregon Forest Practices Act Implementation Study: Review and Recommendations

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Background: Compliance Monitoring

Monitoring provides information about compliance with Oregon's forestry laws

- Provide generalizable data
- Provide information about which rules have low compliance
- Focus outreach and education to improve compliance
- In Oregon, compliance monitoring is NOT used for enforcement

Background: Compliance Monitoring

Other U.S. states

- Forest Best Management Practices exist in almost every U.S. state
- Compliance programs vary substantially among states
- Some of the issues we assessed are not unique to Oregon (e.g., landowner access)

Background: Implementation Monitoring

2013–2017 study was designed to address Agency goals:

- 1. Provide data for annual reporting to the Oregon Legislature.**
- 2. Verify implementation of forest practices on private property, for potential use in third-party certification systems (e.g., Sustainable Forestry Initiative).**
- 3. Provide an informed and systematic basis for targeted training efforts by both ODF and forest industry to increase compliance with rules.**
- 4. Improve the public's trust in both ODF, and those it regulates.**
- 5. Provide data to the Board of Forestry regarding ODF's efforts to administer the FPA.**
- 6. Provide for efficient use of state resources and corresponding workload in monitoring unit capacity.**

Background: Implementation Monitoring

Implementation Monitoring Study

Collected and reported data on rule and unit-level compliance



Critiques summarized in Groom (2020)

Critiques related to study design, analysis, and results reporting



Review

MHE independent review of the 2017 Implementation Study and assessment of critiques



Recommendations

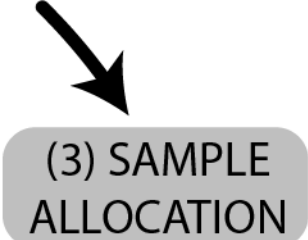
MHE proposed solutions for future implementation monitoring

Review: Implementation Study Design

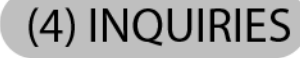
1. Harvest units drawn from harvest notifications



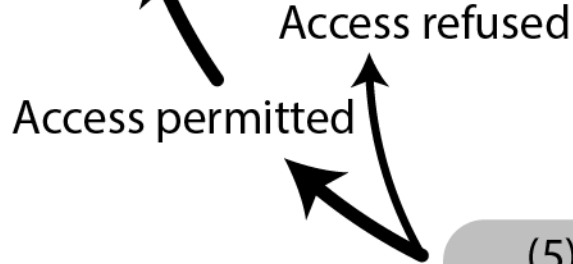
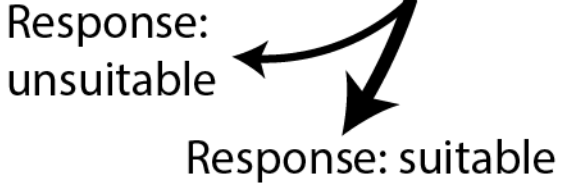
2-3. Units are drawn based on region and landowner type



Random Overdraw



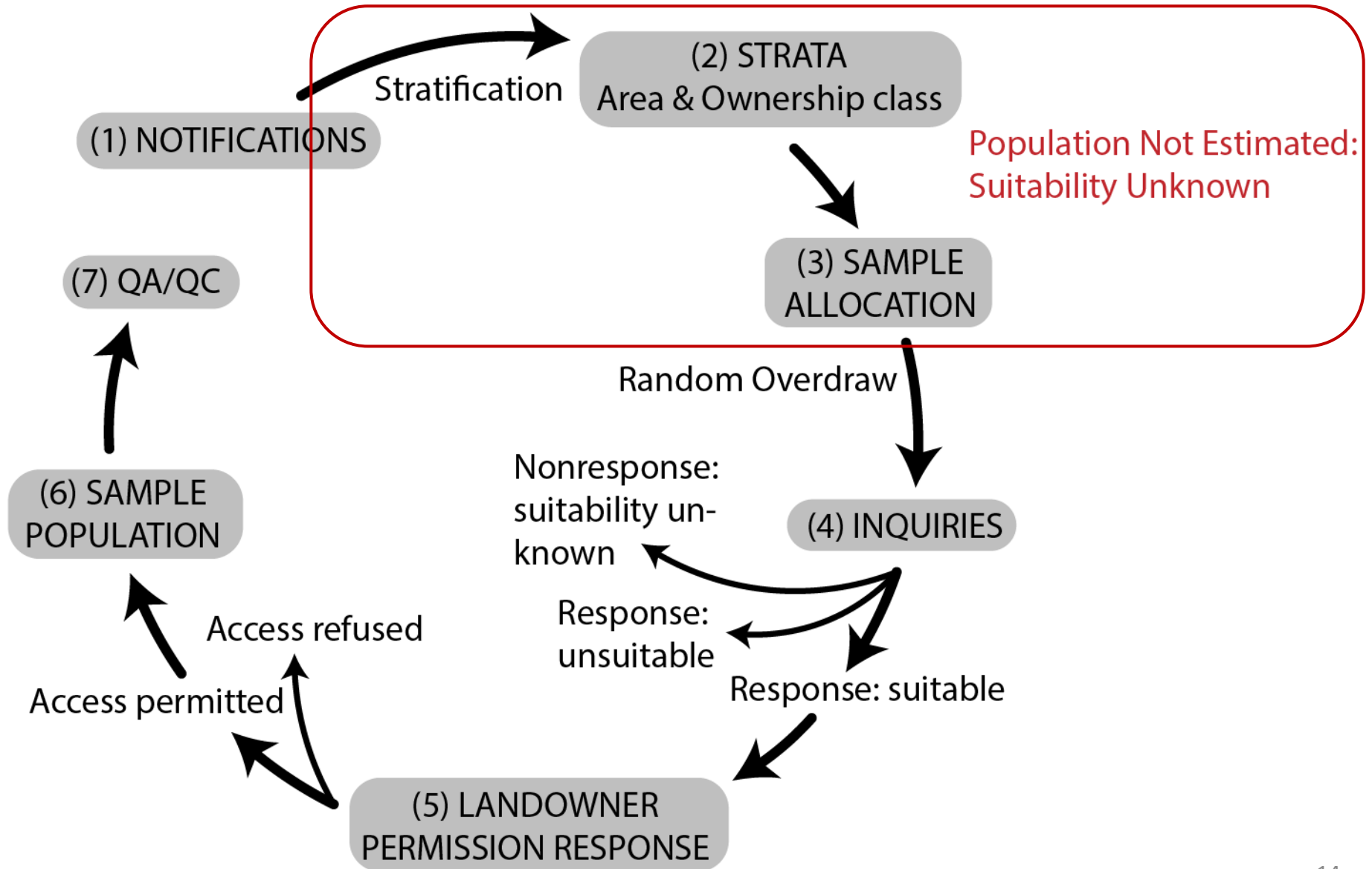
4-5. Landowners contacted and asked to participate in the study



6. Harvest units surveyed for compliance with subset of forestry laws

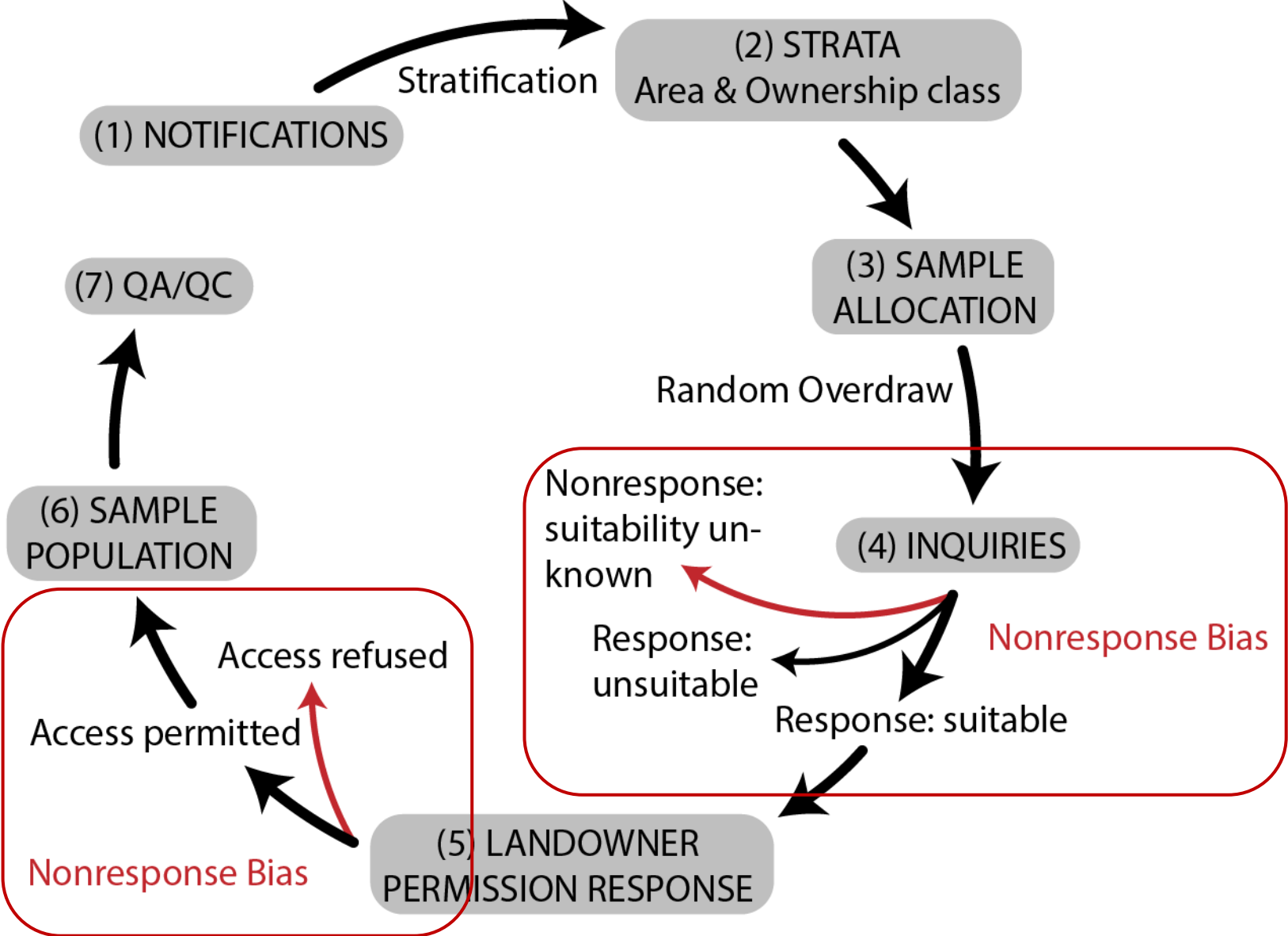


Review: Assessment of Critiques



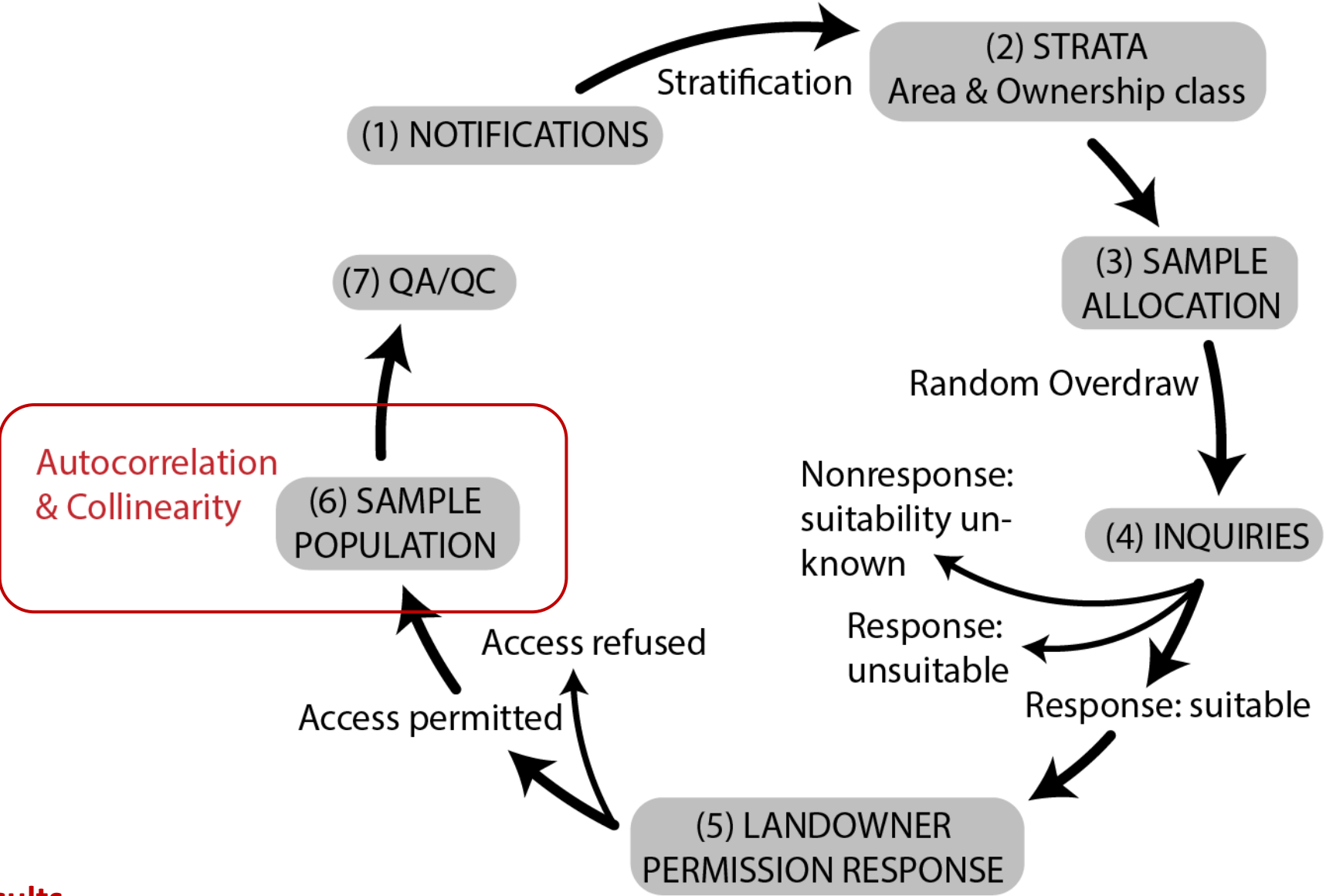
Red = Impacted Results

Review: Assessment of Critiques



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Red = Impacted Results

Review: Assessment of Critiques

- scientifically defensible arguments; **impacted results**
- scientifically defensible arguments; **impact to results unknown**
- miscommunication, omissions; **no impact or irrelevant to results**

CRITIQUE THEME	IMPACTED RESULTS	IMPACT UNKNOWN	NO IMPACT OR IRRELEVANT
Unknown population	✓		
Nonresponse	✓		
Autocorrelation & collinearity	✓		
Compliance calculation	✓		
QA/QC		✓	
No confidence intervals/error		✓	
Reporting critiques			✓
Study intent			✓

Review: Assessment of Critiques

- Unknown if bias and error influenced high level decision-making
E.g., Rules identified for education
- Anecdotal findings have been useful to ODF
E.g., Photo documentation

Agency goal	Basic	Sub-basic	Unknown
1. Provide data to legislature	✓		
2. Inform third-party certification systems		✓	
3. Systematic basis for training & education	✓		
4. Improve public trust		✓	
5. Provide data to Board of Forestry	✓		
6. Efficient use of resources			✓

Recommendations: Existing Data

- **Amending results through an analysis of 2013-2017 data is not recommended. It could not:**
 - Expand scope of inference
 - Determine if bias influenced results
 - Produce reliable confidence intervals
- **However, existing data can inform future monitoring by:**
 - Accounting for landowner nonresponse and harvest completion
 - Increasing program efficiency

Recommendations: Prospective Monitoring

Primary assumptions:

1. Utilize Implementation Study infrastructure
2. Landowner participation is voluntary
3. Harvest completion unknown during sample draw

Primary foci:

1. Address agency goals
2. Account for nonresponse
3. Reduce potential for error and bias
4. Increase efficiency

Recommendations: Prospective Monitoring

1. Explicitly define all sampling elements
2. Narrow research questions to address agency goals
- 3. Quantify the population**
- 4. Account for nonresponse bias**
5. Reduce potential for systematic error with standardized training and QA/QC protocols
6. Include large harvests with a sub-sampling protocol
- 7. Apply within-unit stratification for roads and streams to mitigate autocorrelation and increase sampling efficiency**
8. Determine sample size using power analysis or a similar approach

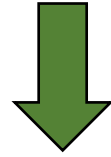
Recommendations: Prospective Monitoring

- **Rule-level compliance**
- **Results by ownership type**
- **Meets agency goals**
- **Within ODF current resource budget**
- **Flexible approach**
- **Leverages prior Implementation Study data**

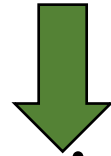
Recommendations: Conclusion

Implementation Monitoring Study

Provide insight to better “protect, manage, and promote stewardship of Oregon’s forests¹”



Critiques summarized in Groom (2020)



Review

Issues limited the utility of results



Recommendations

Address critiques and produce statistically rigorous results

ODF Response Plan

Summary

- **8 recommendations**
- **Reforestation pilot study**
- **Third party review**

Recommendation	ODF Will
1. Define sampling elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Elements easily described -Number of notified units
2. Questions address agency goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Explicitly address agency goals -Statistical analysis
3. Quantify Target Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -2013-2017 data -Remote sensing
4. Account for nonresponse bias	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Extra effort -Remote sensing -Nonresponse model -Sensitivity analysis

Recommendation	ODF Will
5. Standardized training, QA/QC	Training & QA/QC on field methods
6. Include large harvests	Thinning harvests
7. Apply within-unit stratification	Apply stratification, subsample (linear features)
8. Sample size: power analysis	2013-2017 data: future sample size

Recommendations: ODF Response Plan

- **Incorporates all recommendations**
- **Addresses relevant critiques**
- **Statistically rigorous**
- **Results with known reliability**



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Thank you



2021 Forest Health Report Oregon Board of Forestry

November 3, 2020

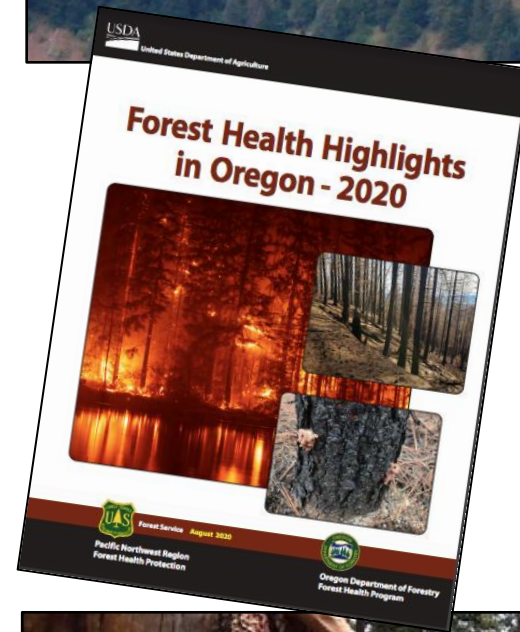


ODF Forest Health Unit



What we do

- Cover all public and private landowners statewide
- Assist all divisions of ODF
- Provide diagnosis and management guidance for forest health issues
- Develop response and recovery plans for disturbance and impending risks
- Monitor, detect and collect data on abiotic and pest damage
- Conduct research projects
- Assist landowners with cost-share funding
- Assist with eradication and mitigation efforts



Resources



Forest benefits

[Home](#) > [Forest benefits](#) > [Forest health](#)

Forest health

The Forest Health Program helps maintain and improve the health of Oregon's private and state-owned forests.

Our forest health professionals conduct aerial and ground surveys to monitor forest insects and tree diseases. They provide technical advice and training in the use of integrated pest management principles to help professional foresters and landowners meet their management goals and objectives.

Stewardship foresters, urban foresters, forest entomologists and pathologists can help landowners identify forest pest problems and develop strategies to manage pests. Contact a [stewardship forester](#) or the Forest Health Program for more information.

Factsheets & information

[Drought impacts on forestry survey](#)
[Sudden oak death: Economic impact assessment](#)

Insects	+
Diseases	+
Invasives	+
Other	+

Maps & data

Statewide insect & disease aerial surveys	+
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Resources

- 2019 Forest Health Highlights report
- Forest Health Highlights (Joint product of ODF and the USFS Region 6)
- Aerial insect & disease survey GIS data
- Invasive species online hotline
- Oregon forest pest detector
- Forest Insect and Disease Leaflets (FIDLs)
- Grants and incentives

Organizations

Oregon Bee Project	+
Oregon Invasive Species Council	+

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United States Department of Agriculture

Forest Health Highlights in Oregon - 2020

Forest Service August 2020

Douglas-Fir Beetle

March 2017

Forest Health Fact Sheet

Douglas-fir beetle (DFB) galleries on 5-MP* larch

Douglas-fir beetle (*Dendroctonus pseudotsugae*) is a bark beetle that preferentially infests >10" dbh downed trees and then moves to nearby standing trees that are stressed, injured or less vigorous. At normal population levels, mortality from this pest is scattered on the landscape and often present in stands weakened by root disease, fire or wind damage. Population outbreaks typically follow storm events that cause blowdowns, or defoliation from Douglas-fir tussock moth, or western spruce budworm outbreaks. Douglas-fir beetle outbreaks can be prevented by removing large-diameter downed trees before the first April after a storm event. If removal is delayed, a repellent pheromone (MCE) may instead be applied at this time to prevent infestation. Blowdowns can also be removed before the second April after the event to prevent beetles from attacking standing trees, although wood in downed trees may become discolored by beetle-vectored fungi.

Hosts

- >10" dbh Douglas-fir
- Minor: downed western larch

Douglas-fir beetle (DFB) can be found almost anywhere Douglas-fir occurs. In the lower elevations of interior southwest Oregon the flatheaded fir borer is also a prominent pest of Douglas-fir, and the two species can overlap.

Biology

DFB has one generation per year, but there are two flight periods when trees come under attack. The initial attack flight occurs from April to early June and is generally the heaviest. A secondary flight takes place in July - August. Attacks by DFB are most abundant midway up the tree. The bottom 10-15' of the bole may escape attack the first year, but is often attacked the following year by either DFB or flatheaded fir borer (where present). Adults and sometimes larvae overwinter under the bark of infested trees. Adults are brown/black and 4-7mm long.

Damage

Orange-brown boring dust (frass) in bark crevices is the first sign of DFB attack. Frass may form piles around the base of the tree or may collect in spider webs. Thin streams of resin dripping down the bark may be visible on the mid to upper-bole of green trees under attack. DFB attack can be confirmed by removing a patch of bark to reveal the beetle's distinctive gallery pattern (5-10" vertical line with alternating clusters of horizontal lines).

Douglas-fir looking dead (DFD)

Drought and forest health video

ODF Drought an...

Aerial Detection Surveys (ADS)



- Broad scale issue detection and trend monitoring
 - Cooperative with the USDA Forest Service
 - Annual since 1947 (*longest in nation*)
 - Over 35 million acres surveyed each year
 - Provide data input into:
 - Risk models
 - Planning efforts
 - Prioritization (e.g. suppression/prevention projects)
 - Direction of Federal funds nationwide
- *climate change monitoring*

Aerial survey process



Constraints



- Ongoing budget, staffing and aircraft shortages
- ODF plane not carded for USFS staff use
- Poor visibility due to weather or smoke
- Timing of signatures
- FLIR takes up 4th “training seat”
- TFRs



Aerial Detection Survey Status



2020:

- *Not flown* due to COVID-19
- Utilized new Scan and Sketch method on select priority areas
- Ground checks and communication with the field continued

2021:

- Imagery for Scan and Sketch unavailable
- Late start but most of the state *flown* despite ongoing COVID-19

Outcome of disruption:

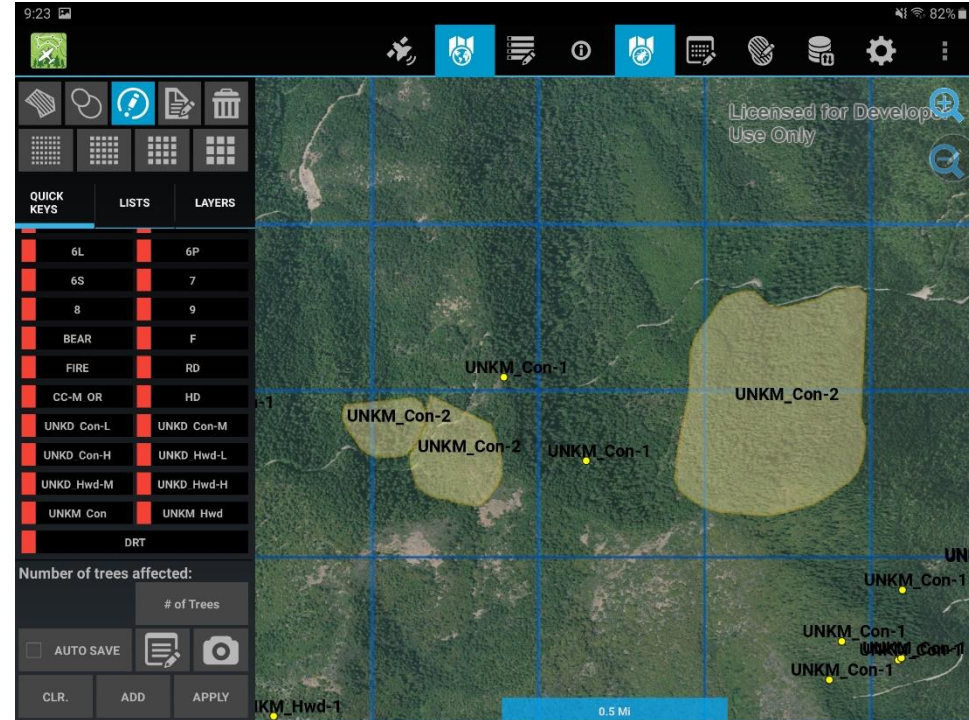
- Gap in long-term data
- Scan and Sketch results are not directly comparable to past aerial data
- Miss unknown outbreaks (unlikely with boots on ground and predictive reports from monitoring software)
- Reduced gauge of overall conditions

Scan and Sketch method



Same tablets and mapping software is used.

High resolution imagery is loaded onto our tablets and sections of the state are scrolled through while visually scanning for damage which is marked as normal.



Scan and Sketch method



Pros

- More accurate georeferencing
- Can be conducted at any time, no travel/logistics required
- Aircraft not needed
- No weather or smoke delays
- Optimal personnel safety

Cons

- Less accurate agent or host identification
- Requires high resolution imagery collected around springtime
- Outbreaks may be missed if not all areas are covered

The future of aerial survey...



- **Staffing issues:** lack of trained surveyors, lack of seats in ODF plane to train more surveyors
- **Aircraft issues:** ODF aircraft prioritized for wildfire during aerial survey season, USFS staff cannot fly in ODF plane, normal aircraft servicing down time, unexpected repairs
- **Incorporate Scan and Sketch and/or change detection software** as a supplements or replacements for aerial survey data collection as technology improves

Survey results



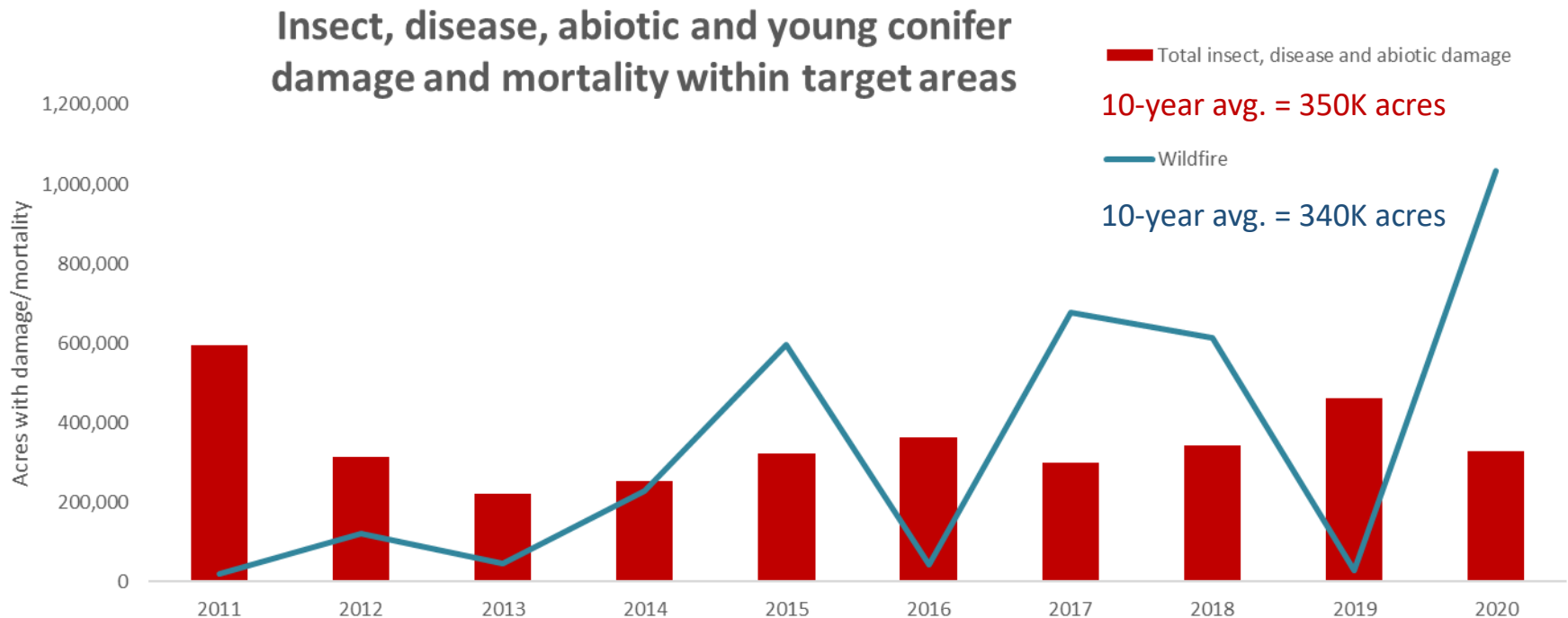
- Survey coverage area reduced from ~35 million to 11.2 million acres
- Priority areas are known outbreak and heavy drought areas



Survey results



Below is annual combined damage from all abiotic, insect and disease agents (with 10-year average) versus wildfire within only the 2020 priority areas from the last 10 years.



Wildfire support

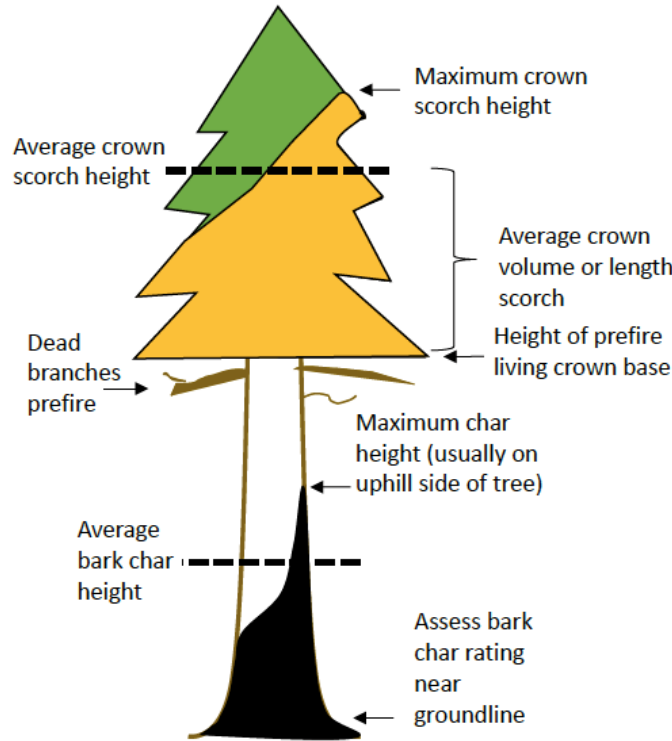
Post-fire tree mortality
Forest Health Fact Sheet
November 2020

This guide serves as an overview on how to estimate and predict tree mortality after wildfire. A comprehensive guide with complete species-specific post-fire mortality ranking tables is available in the U.S. Forest Service publication (R6-FHP-RO-2020-02): "Post-fire Assessment of Tree Status and Marking Guidelines for Conifers in Oregon and Washington". Many ranking guides exist so it is best to use those from your region that were developed from local research or field-verified models. These guides are meant to help determine which trees should be removed in the salvage or sanitation process. The guides are not exact but serve as a starting point to understand which aspects of fire damage have the most influence on tree mortality, as well as how much damage each tree species can withstand. Post-fire mortality marking guides should not be used as substitutes for hazard tree marking guides (see "Rapid Guide for Hazard Tree Identification and Mitigation"). Lastly, expedient tree removal and processing will reduce the amount of insect and fungi-caused defects in fire-damaged timber.

How does fire kill trees?
Wildfire can directly kill trees by heating or burning the crown, trunk and/or roots, which damages photosynthetic and vascular tissues that support tree growth and defense. The ability for a tree to survive after a fire depends primarily on the magnitude of crown and cambium damage. Various conditions can influence these damage levels (e.g., fire intensity, duration, timing, heat conductivity across soil types, bark thickness, basal duff buildup, etc.).

Crown damage occurs when needles are scorched or consumed by fire which disrupts photosynthesis. Buds and cones may also be damaged, which affects needle and seed production in the short term and tree survival and stand regeneration in the long term. Proportion of the live crown with crown scorch is the metric for crown damage.

Cambium damage occurs when the bole of a tree is charred or "cooked" enough to kill tissues. Cambium tissue includes both phloem and xylem, which are vascular tissues that transport water and nutrients throughout the tree. Trees with high levels of cambium damage but low crown scorch may take years to die from fire damage. For example, xylem tissues, which are deeper in the trunk, are unaffected by bole charring and continue to transport water to the crown for photosynthesis. While cambium and phloem tissues are closer to the surface and therefore more exposed to heat and bole char, which disrupts transport of nutrients from the crown to the roots. When the fine roots eventually start to die back, less water can be obtained and the tree starts to die. Proportions of the bole circumference with bole char or dead cambium is the metric for cambium damage.



Species	Criteria	Diameter Class		
		5 - 11.9"	12 - 20.9"	21"+
PSME: Douglas-fir	Crown scorch	> 65% crown volume		
	Bark char	> 50% deep char	> 75% deep char	

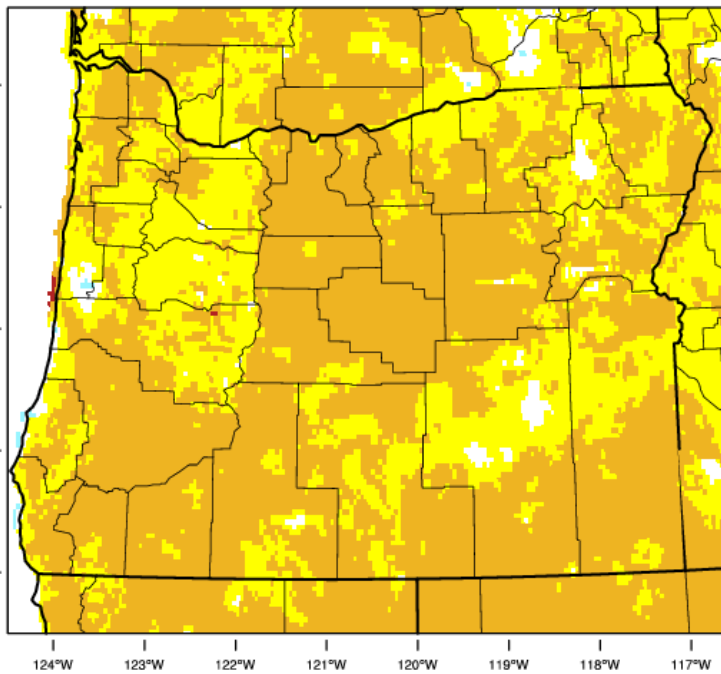


Primary cause of tree mortality



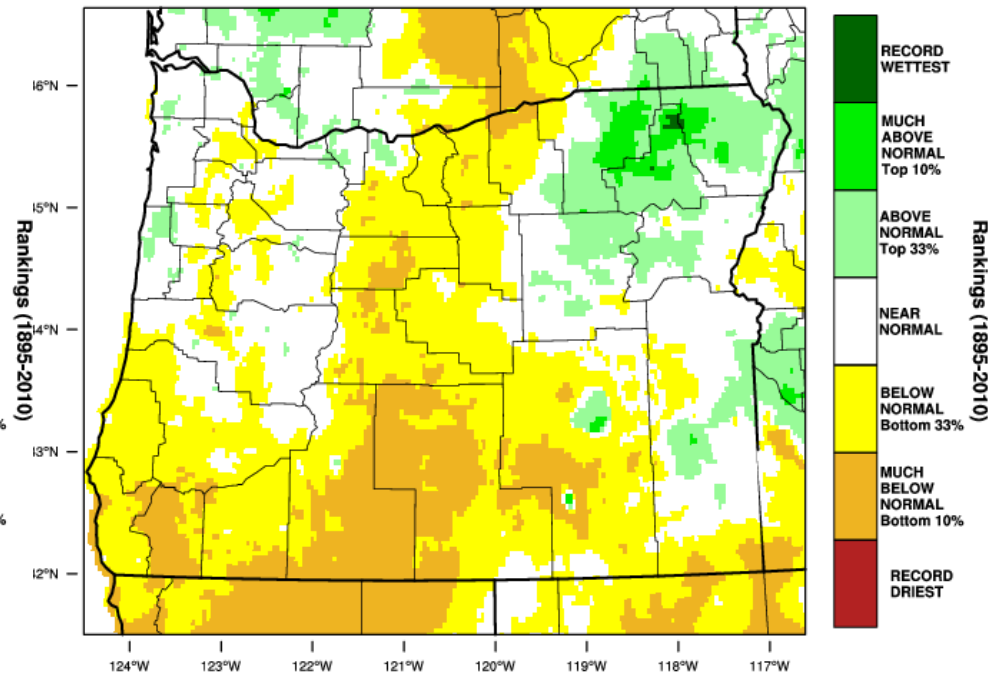
Ongoing hot, droughts

Oregon - Mean Temperature
January-December 2020 Percentile



WestWide Drought Tracker, U Idaho/WRCC Data Source: PRISM (Prelim), created 5 JAN 2021

Oregon - Precipitation
January-December 2020 Percentile



WestWide Drought Tracker, U Idaho/WRCC Data Source: PRISM (Prelim), created 5 JAN 2021

2021 heat event

June 26 = 108°F
June 27 = 112°F
June 28 = 116°F

- Compounded ongoing droughts
- Trees didn't have time to adjust
- Most intense along roadsides, south & west aspects, branch tips
- Buds and older foliage less impacted
- Unknown how vascular tissues and roots were impacted



Climate change example: western redcedar dieback



2020 ODF/USFS monitoring project
in Oregon and Washington:

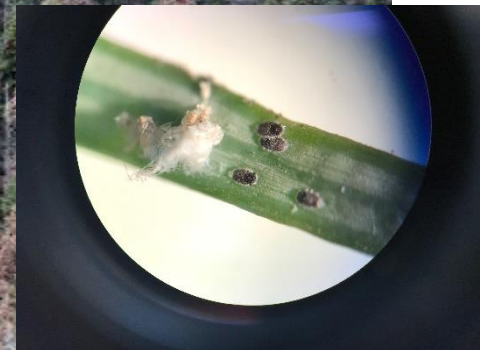
- Map location and distribution
- Single tree data collection and monitoring to detect patterns to guide management decisions
- Collaboration with researchers for more in-depth measurements
- Large community response
- Sign of range reduction for WRC



Primary insect issues



- Bark beetles specifically attacking droughted true fir and Douglas-fir, storm damaged trees, and overstocked pine statewide
- Recent cyclic defoliator outbreaks are finally collapsing in NE Oregon
- Long-established, sap-sucking insect continues unchecked mortality of high elevation true fir.



Invasive species & Oregon's forests



Consequences of invasive species



1. High costs of control, losses to industry, increases in wildfires.

Scotch broom and Himalayan blackberry:
\$80 million/year in OR

2. Increased pesticide use

3. Human health concerns

Cardiovascular disease, depression

4. Species extinctions

*The effects of nonnative species **threaten** our way of life & entire economies*

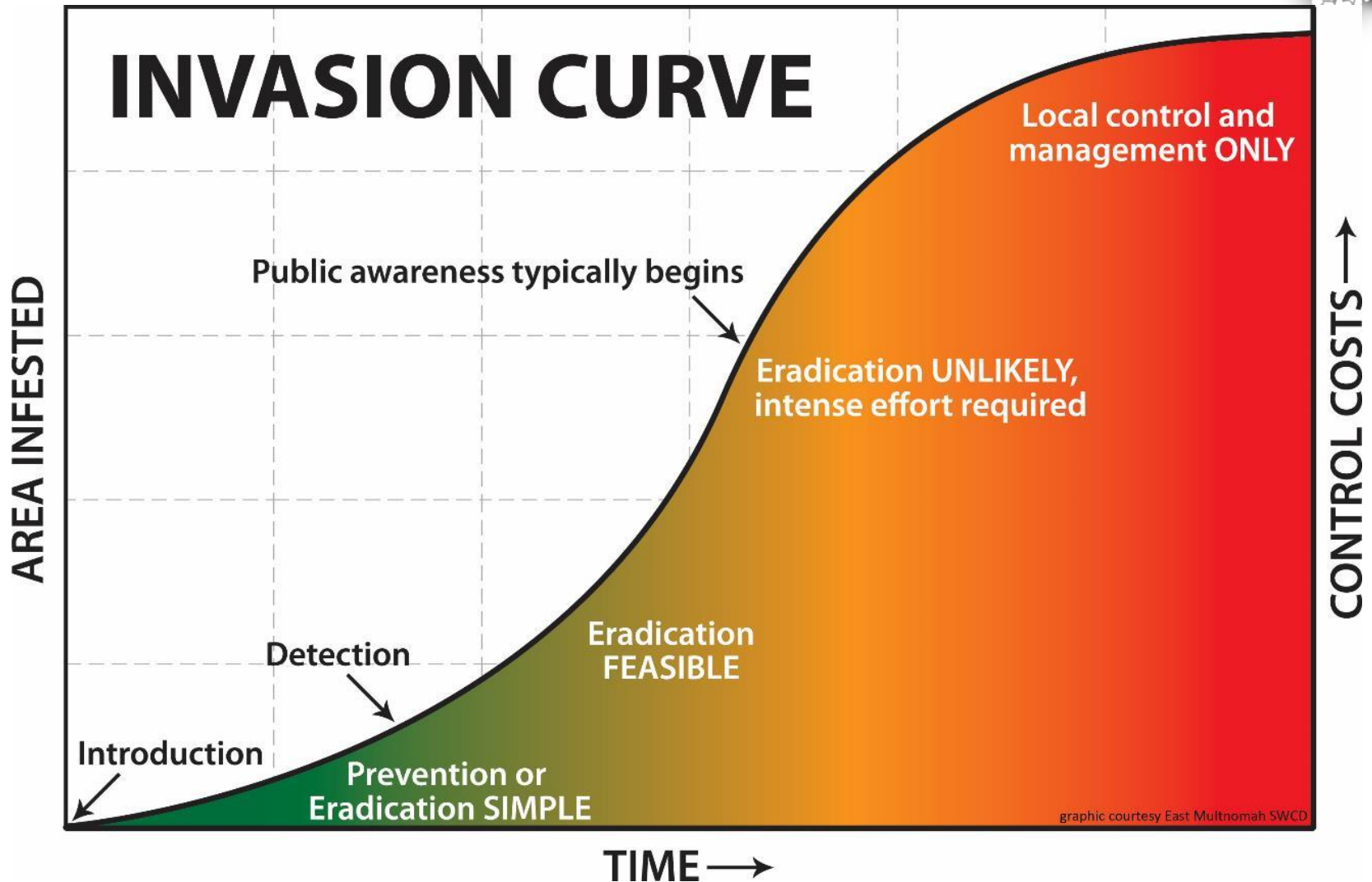


Scotch broom invasion

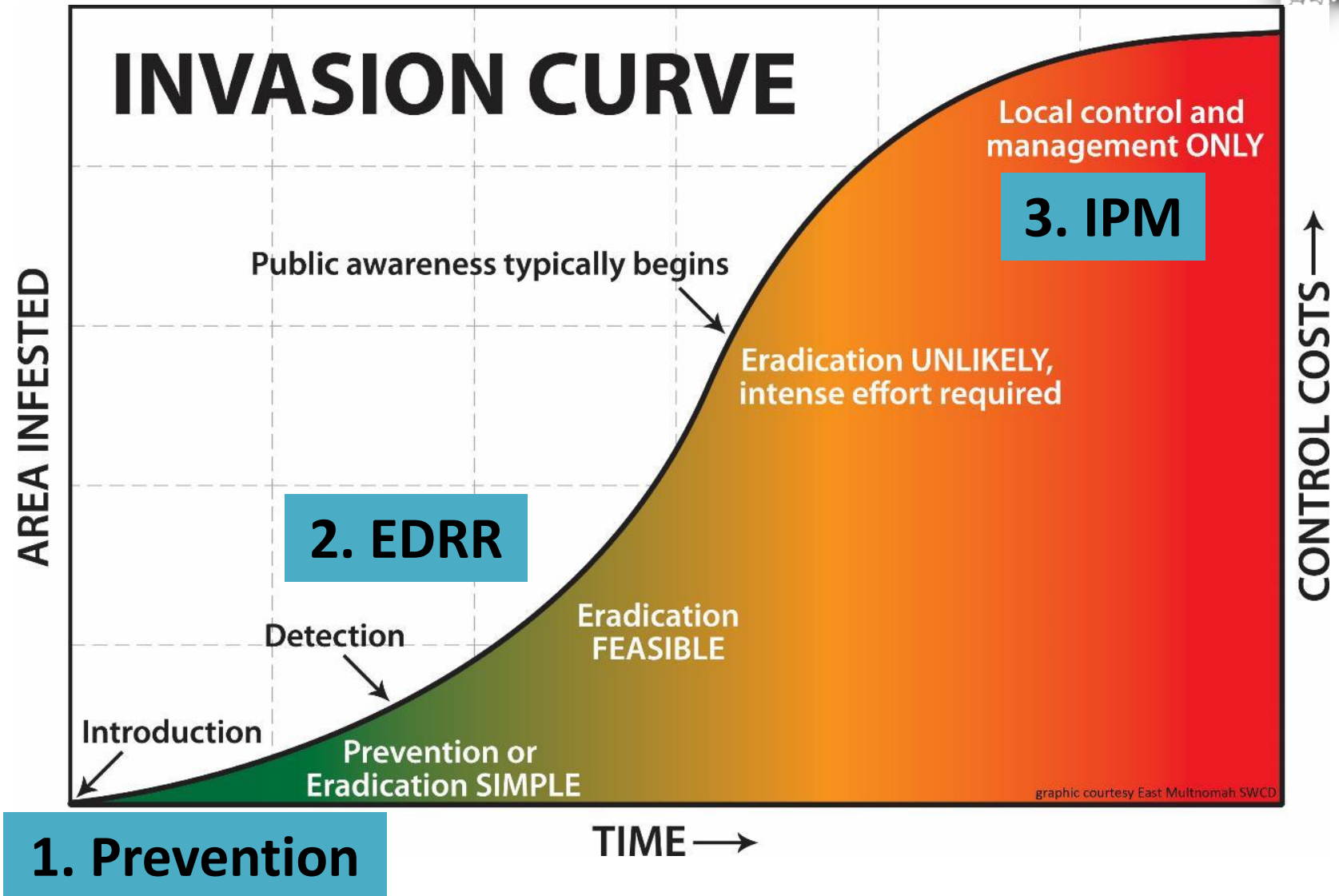


Cheatgrass-fueled fire

Prevention & early detection are key



Prevention & early detection are key





Notorious invaders in Oregon's forests

White pine blister rust

- Introduced **1910** in Oregon
- “Five-needle” pines

Balsam woolly adelgid

- Introduced **1930** in Oregon
- “True firs” in Cascades, X-mas trees

Port-Orford-cedar root disease

- Introduced **1952** in Oregon
- Caused collapse of Asian export market

Sudden oak death

- Detected **2001** in Oregon
- Tanoak in Curry Co.



Which invasive species concern ODF?



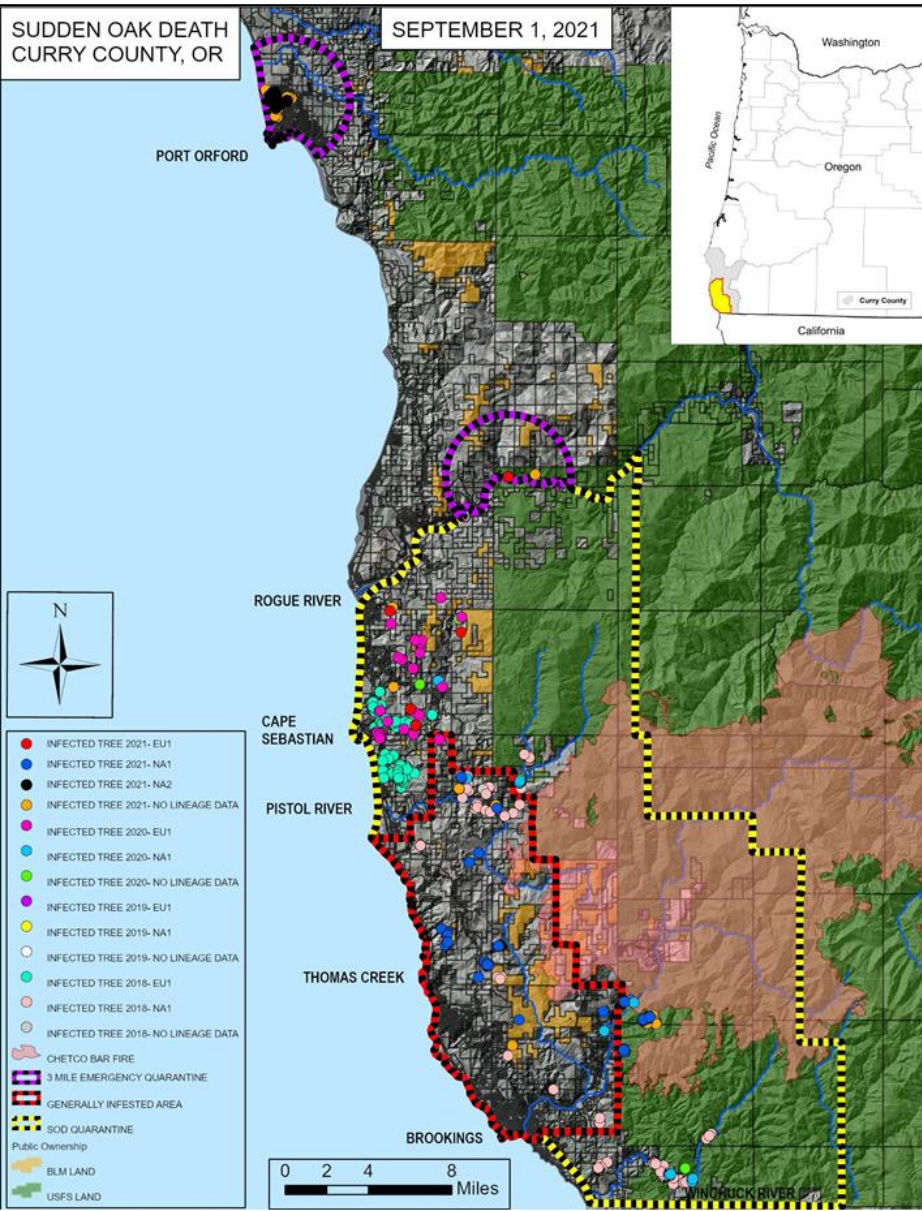
ODF's Top Unwanted Forest Invasive Species List

10 Pathogens
28 Plants
37 Invertebrates
1 Vertebrate
Total: 76 species

ODF's Most Damaging Forest Invasive Species List

4 Pathogens
29 Plants
2 Invertebrates
Total: 35 species

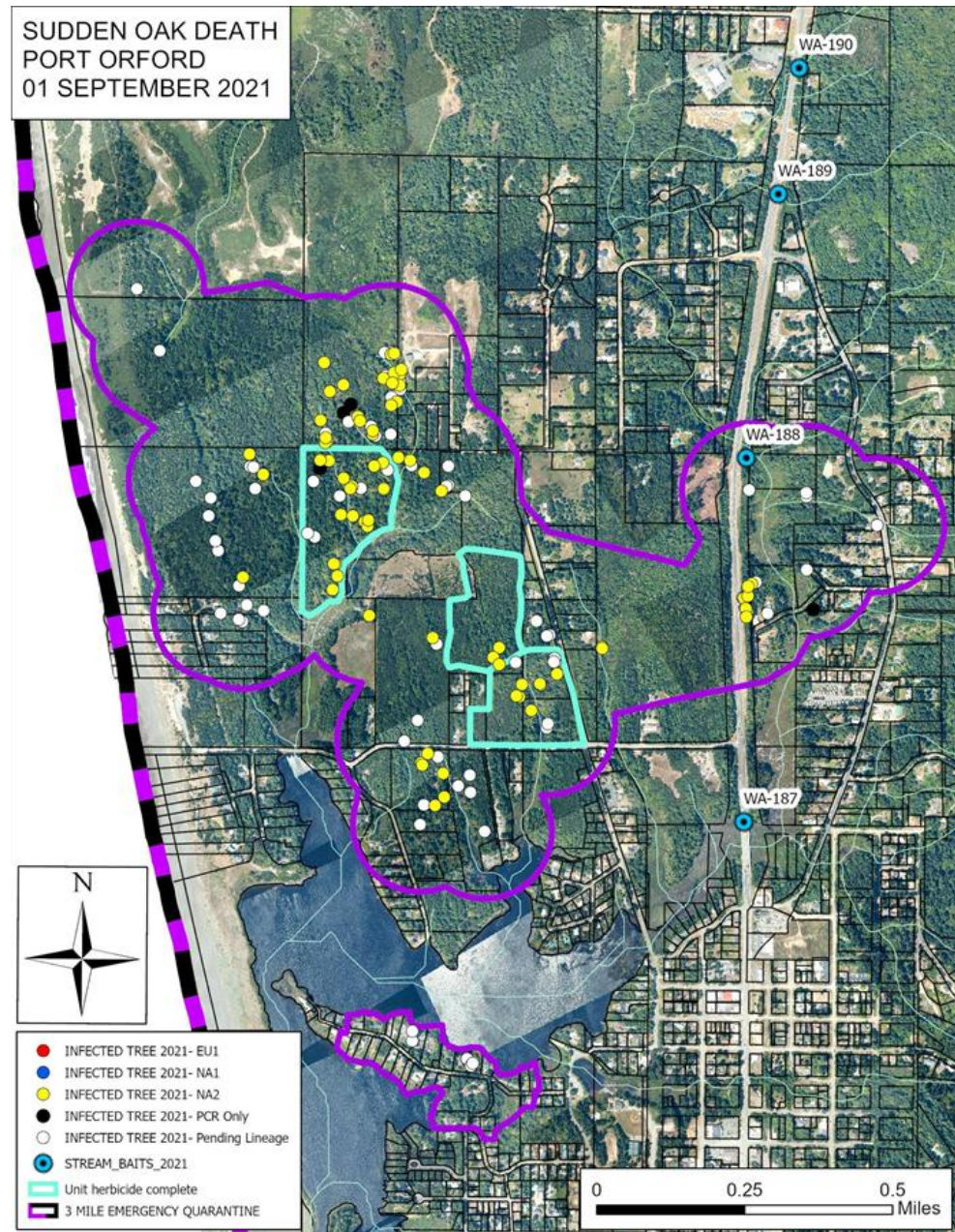
Sudden Oak Death in Oregon



Updates

- The interagency slow-the-spread program continues
 - Treated: 7,821 acres
- Agency received \$1.7 mil for FY21/23
- 2 detections of SOD outside state quarantine:
 - Port Orford
 - Rogue river

SOD in Port Orford



- Two tanoaks positive for *P. ramorum*
 - Sampled by OSU on 4/27
 - Noticed red and dying trees along Hwy 101
 - OSU confirmed *P. ram* on 5/10
 - ODA established emergency 3-mile quarantine
 - NA2 lineage

Gypsy moth (*Lymantria dispar*)

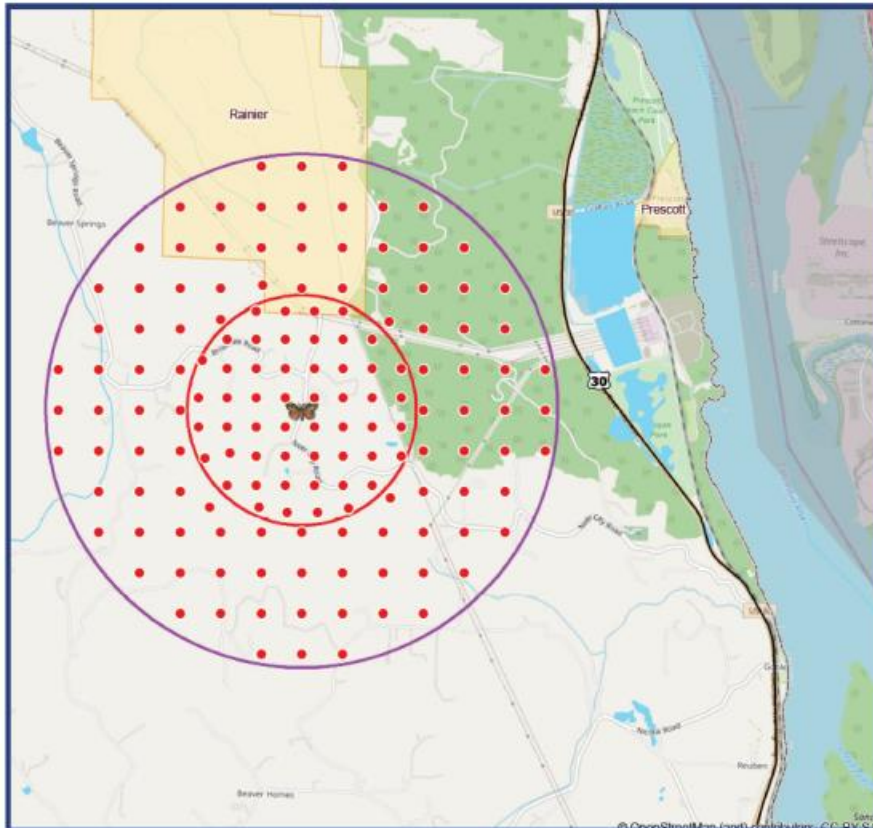


**100% success in detecting and eradicating GM!
Interagency cooperation, ODF IMT involvement!**



- 500+ host species
- Preferred food: oaks, alder
- Others: hemlock, fir

2021 delimitation trapping European GM (Rainier)



EGM Delimitation Trapping Plan Rainier



Positive EGM Trap



EGM Delimitation Trap



1 square mile: 49 traps per square mile



4 square miles: 25 traps per square mile

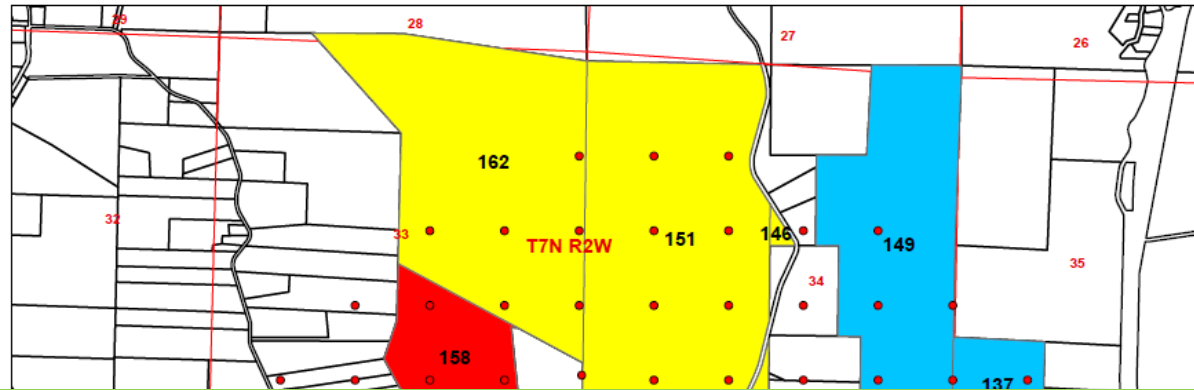


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Mark Reed, ODF Columbia City, providing local knowledge to ODA
Carl Swanson, ODF Salem, GIS support

Gypsy Moth Survey
Proposed Survey Locations

- EGM Trap Locations
- Columbia County Taxlots
- Longview Fibre
- Thompson Family Timber LLC
- City of Rainier
- Biggs Ray & Rita Trust
- Bauder EG, DA, RM, & Doell AM
- PLSS Townships
- PLSS Sections



Rainier Summary

2020: Positive trap

2021 delimitation: No GM detected

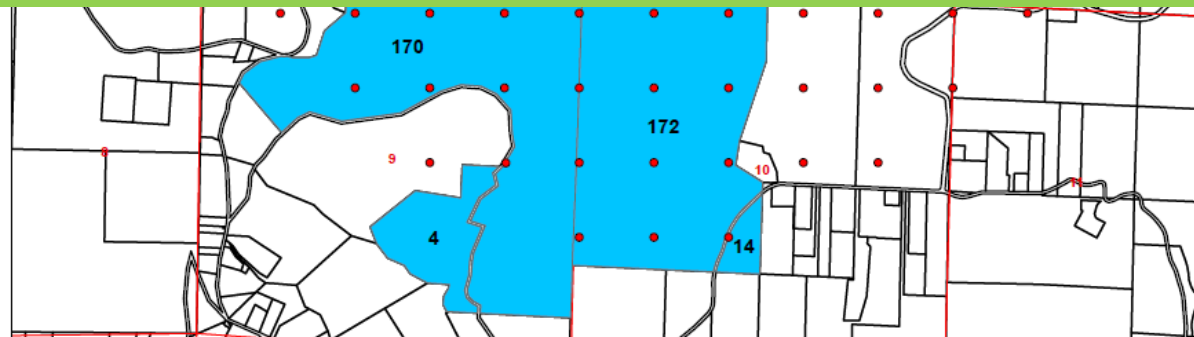
2022: No treatments required



1:24,000 scale
ODF GIS 03/12/2021

0.5

Miles



Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)



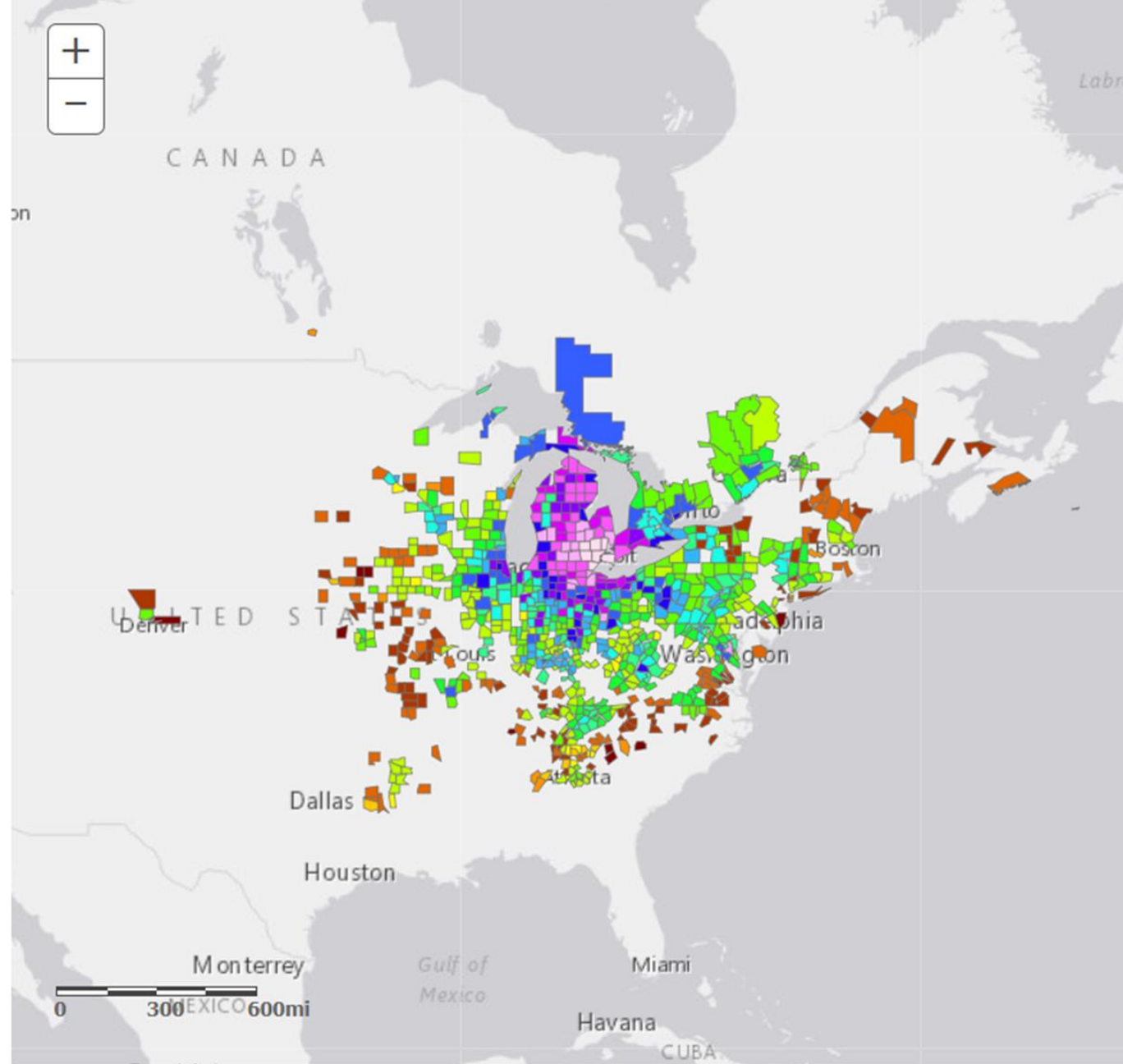
- First detected in U.S., 2002
- 100+ million trees killed in 30 states since 1990s
- Costs >\$1.7 billion in U.S.*



*Aukema et al. 2011. Economic impacts forest invaders in the U.S. PLoS one.30

Legend

U.S. and Canada EAB Detections, 2020



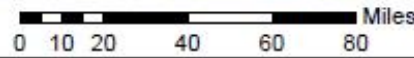
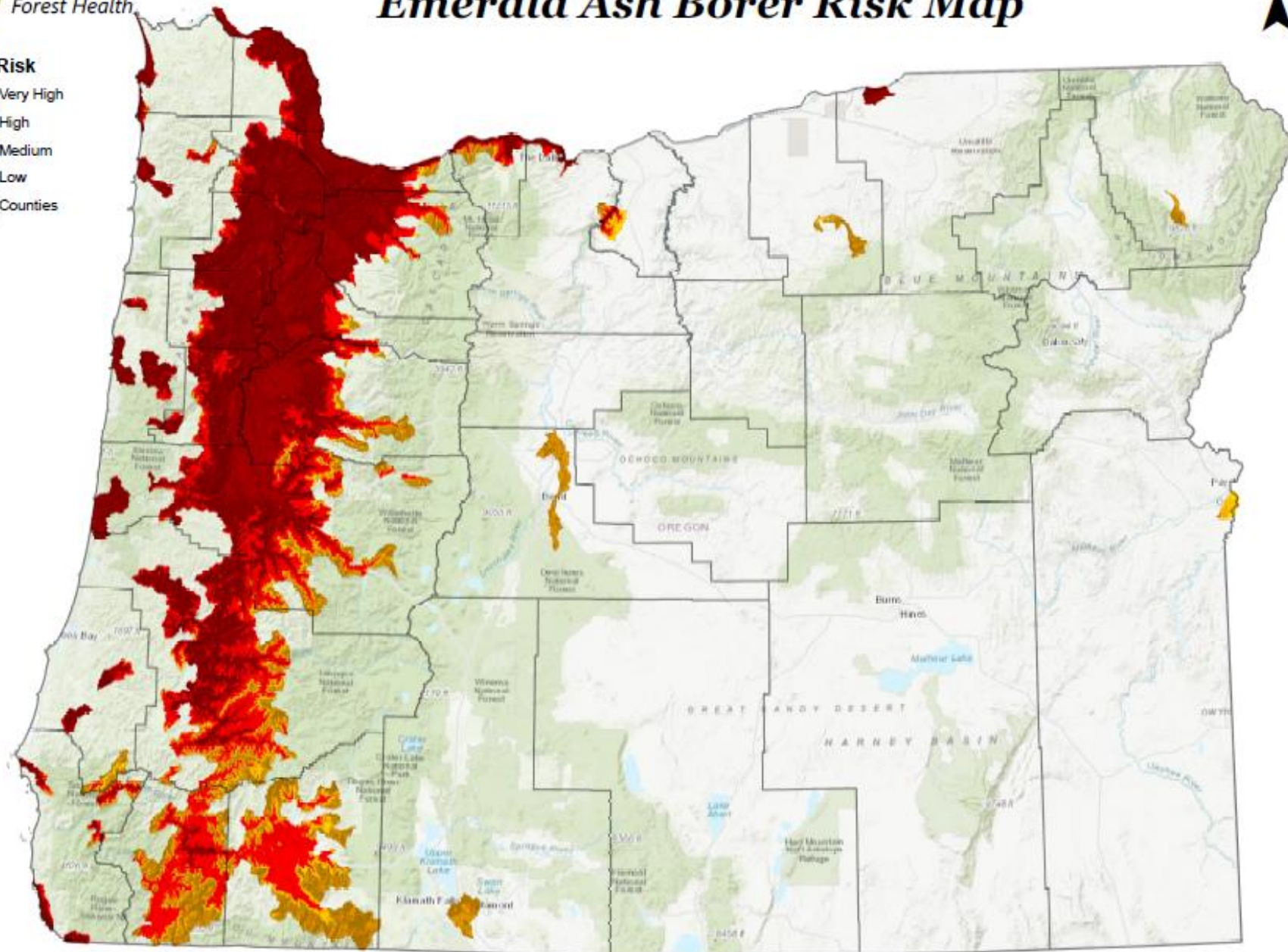


Emerald Ash Borer Risk Map

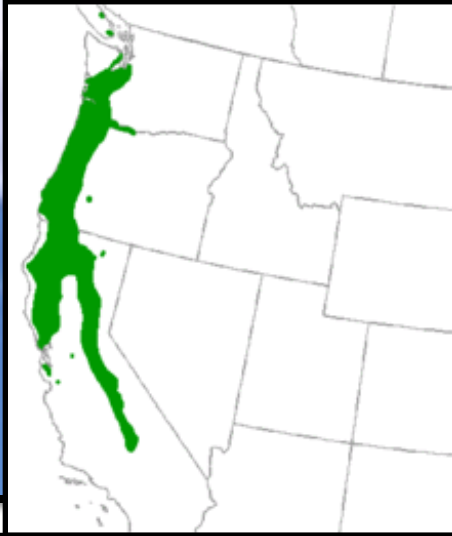


EAB Risk

- Very High
- High
- Medium
- Low
- Counties



Oregon Ash – a widespread and common tree in Oregon, California, and Washington.



Oregon ash in riparian area





Hold onto your Ash!

High cost of EAB in urban forestry



City of Portland Street Tree Inventory

4.8% or 72,000 public ash

\$21M removal (\$290/tree)

\$28M replacement (\$387/tree)

\$49M total cost to PDX

Toledo, OH Before EAB 2006



Photo: Dan Herms

Toledo, OH

After EAB

2009



Photo: Dan Herms



What has ODF done to prepare?

1. Led and coordinated ***statewide EAB surveys***
 - Since 2013, nearly 1,000 traps placed
2. Started the ***Oregon Forest Pest Detector*** program
3. Led the effort to develop ***Statewide EAB Preparedness Plan*** in 2018
4. In 2019, began project to ***collect 1 million seeds*** for genetic conservation



Planning for the inevitable



Oregon's Plan for EAB, released May 2018:

<http://www.OregonEAB.info/>



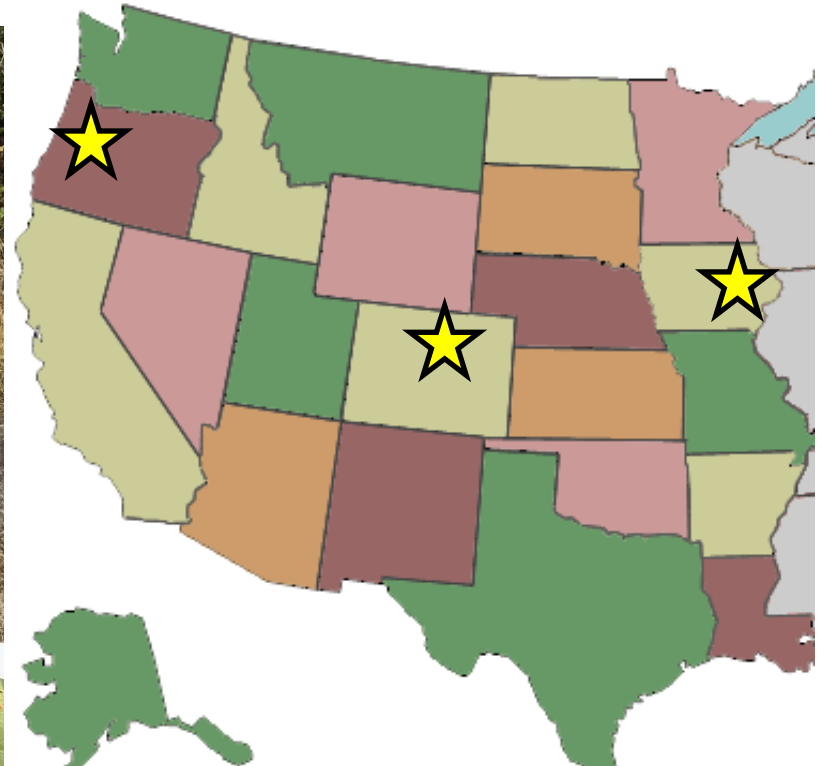
ODF is leading effort to protect Oregon ash



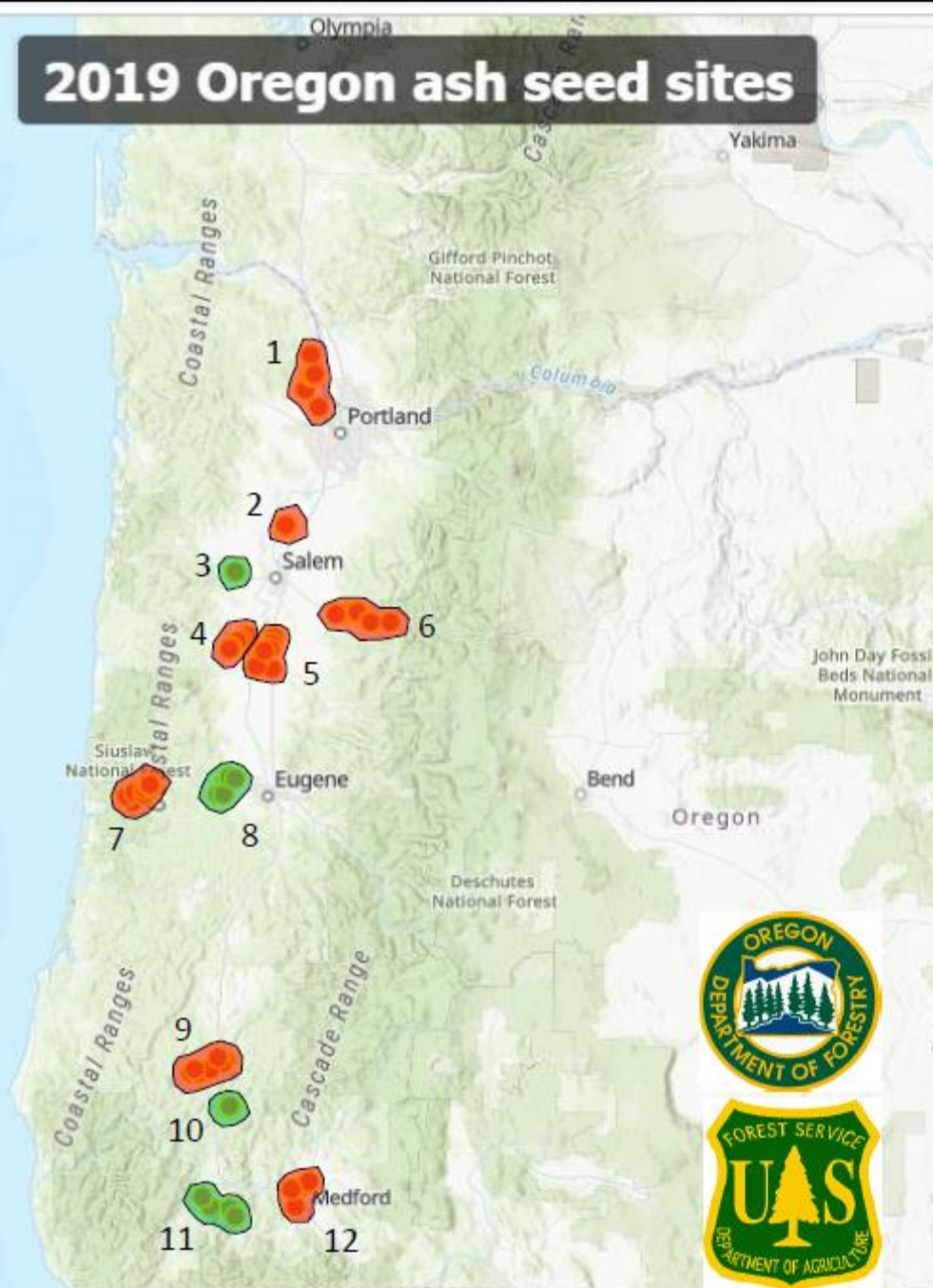
1. USFS Dorena Genetic Resource Center, OR
2. National Center for Genetic Resource Preservation, Fort Collins, CO
3. USDA-ARS National Plant Germplasm System, Ames, IA



Oregon Dept. of Forestry
Fraxinus latifolia Benth.
Collection Number: 19-WIW-AIR-008
Lot No. (of 3): #2
Population: Albany-Interstate sloughs
Lat/Long: 44.63646247, -123.1126147
Collect date: 10/14/2019
Net weight (g): 62.03





2019 Oregon ash seed sites



Legend

 = complete

 = partial

 = mother tree

1. Sauvie Island – Columbia River
2. JE Schroeder Seed Orchard
3. Baskett Slough Wildlife Refuge
4. OSU Soap Cr. – EE Wilson WA
5. Albany – interstate sloughs
6. North Santiam River
7. Siuslaw River – Mapelton
8. Fern Ridge Lake
9. Cow Creek – Riddle
10. South Cow Creek
11. Applegate River
12. Rogue River – JH Stone Nursery

2019 collection summary:

343,00 seeds from 103 mother trees
across 12 populations

2019-2020 project goal:

1 million seeds from 300 mother trees
across 30 populations



Oregon Forest Pest Detectors



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Oregon Forest Pest Detectors



Asian Longhorned Beetle

More than 130,000 hardwood trees in the United States have been lost to the Asian longhorned beetle.

Main menu

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- Goal: Train professionals who work around trees how to identify key invasive forest pests
- Early detection = better chance of eradication or containment

In 2019, Oregon Forest Pest Detectors report new exotic species! *Agrilus cyanescens*



EAB Summary

No detections to date in Oregon
ODF is a leader in protecting Oregon ash
State agencies have coordinated plan for EAB



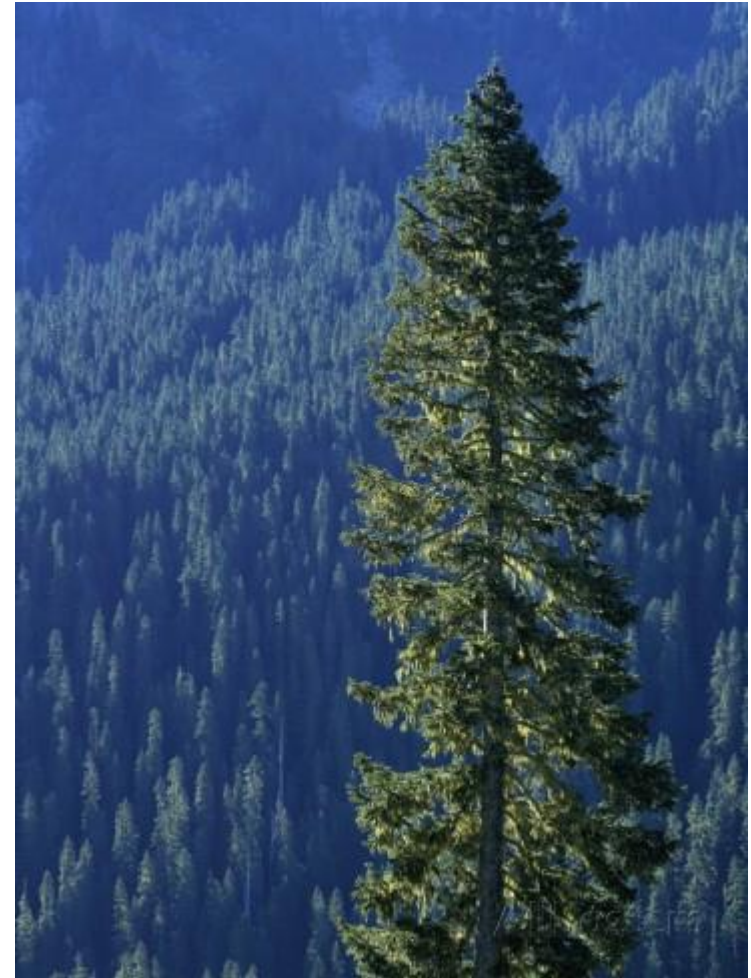
Twinberry (*Lonicera involucrata*) with dieback



Agrilus cyanescens

Forestry: \$5.2 billion GDP in Oregon

Let's be ready for next invasive species



Thank you for your attention.



Forest Health Unit
Oregon Dept. of Forestry

A photograph of a forest with a person in the distance. The forest is filled with tall, thin trees and a dense undergrowth of green plants. A person wearing a hat and a vest is standing in the middle ground, looking towards the camera. The ground is covered with fallen branches and leaves. The overall scene is a natural, wooded area.

State Forests Metrics Update

November 3, 2021
Board of Forestry meeting

Performance measures (PM)

- Last formal reports to Board 2008-2013 with 9 PMs
- Today: updates on 6 PMs and carbon storage
- PM development and ongoing planning efforts

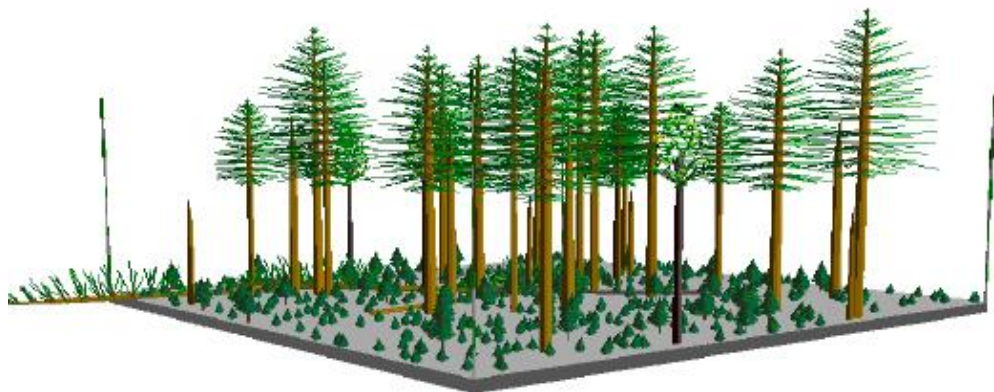
2013 Performance Measures and *Updates*

1. Financial sustainability of forest management
2. Net return on asset value
3. Forest health
4. Water quality
5. Quantity of habitat
6. Community support
7. Local and state government support
8. Recreation
9. Public support of management

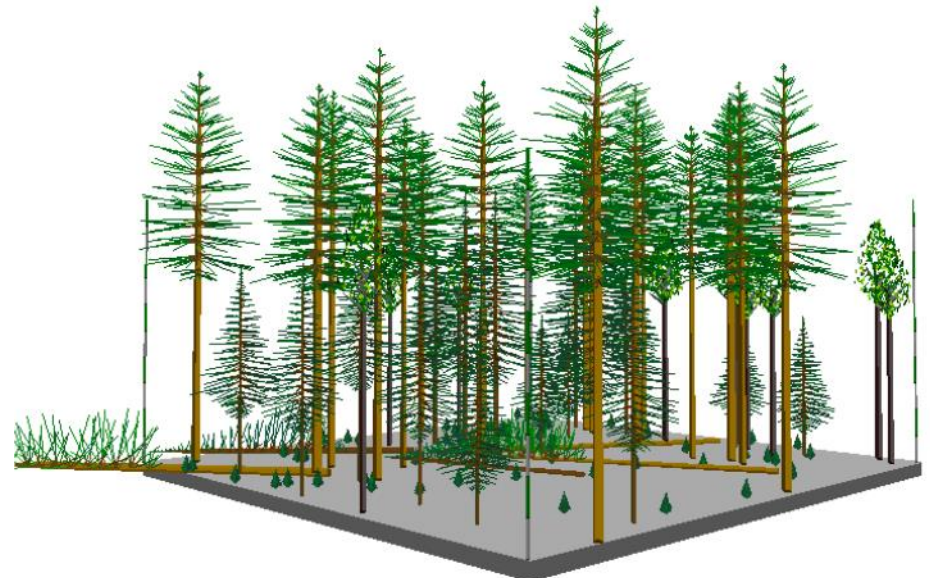
Draft: Carbon storage in live trees and harvested wood products

Forest Performance Measures

- Forest health: area affected by invasive species, pests, disease, fire
- Quantity of habitat: *stand structure type*, legacies (leave trees, snags, and downed wood)
- *Draft: Carbon storage in live trees and harvested wood products*



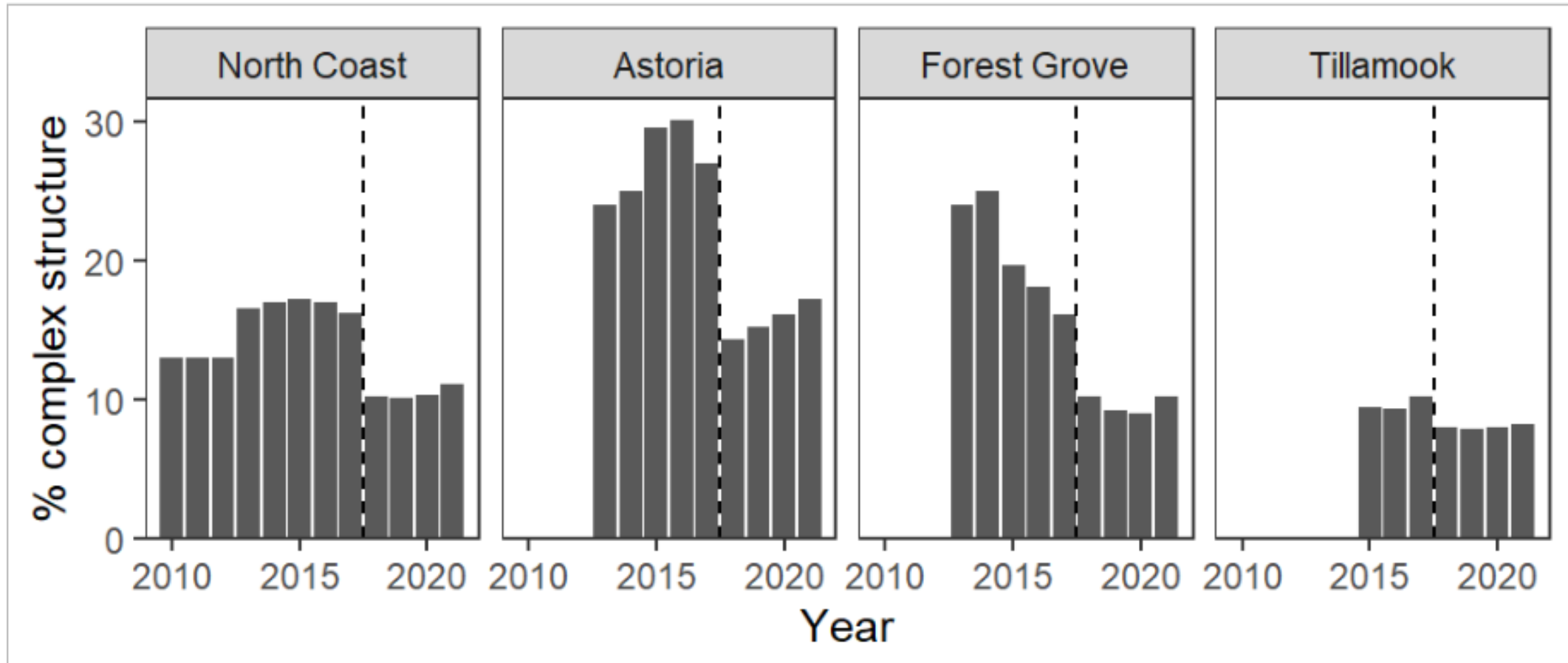
Understory



Layered

Stand Structure Type

Percent complex stand structure (Layered or Older Forest Structure)
Growth model change after 2017 (dashed line)



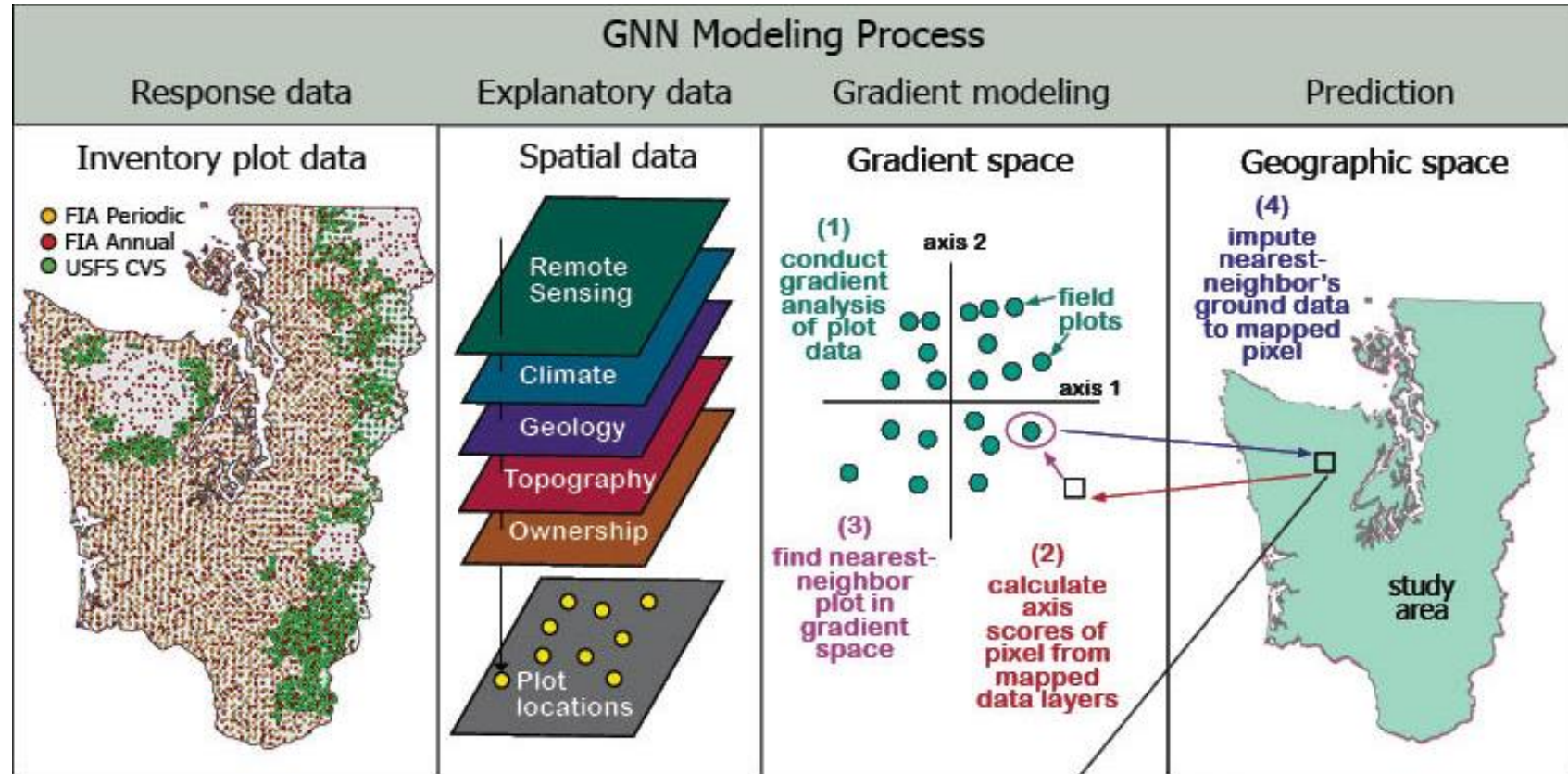
Carbon Storage: Methods

Independent dataset by LEMMA
(Landscape Ecology, Modeling,
Mapping, and Analysis) group

Carbon stored in live trees from
Gradient Nearest Neighbor model¹

+

Carbon stored in harvested wood
products (HWP) for each State
Forest District²



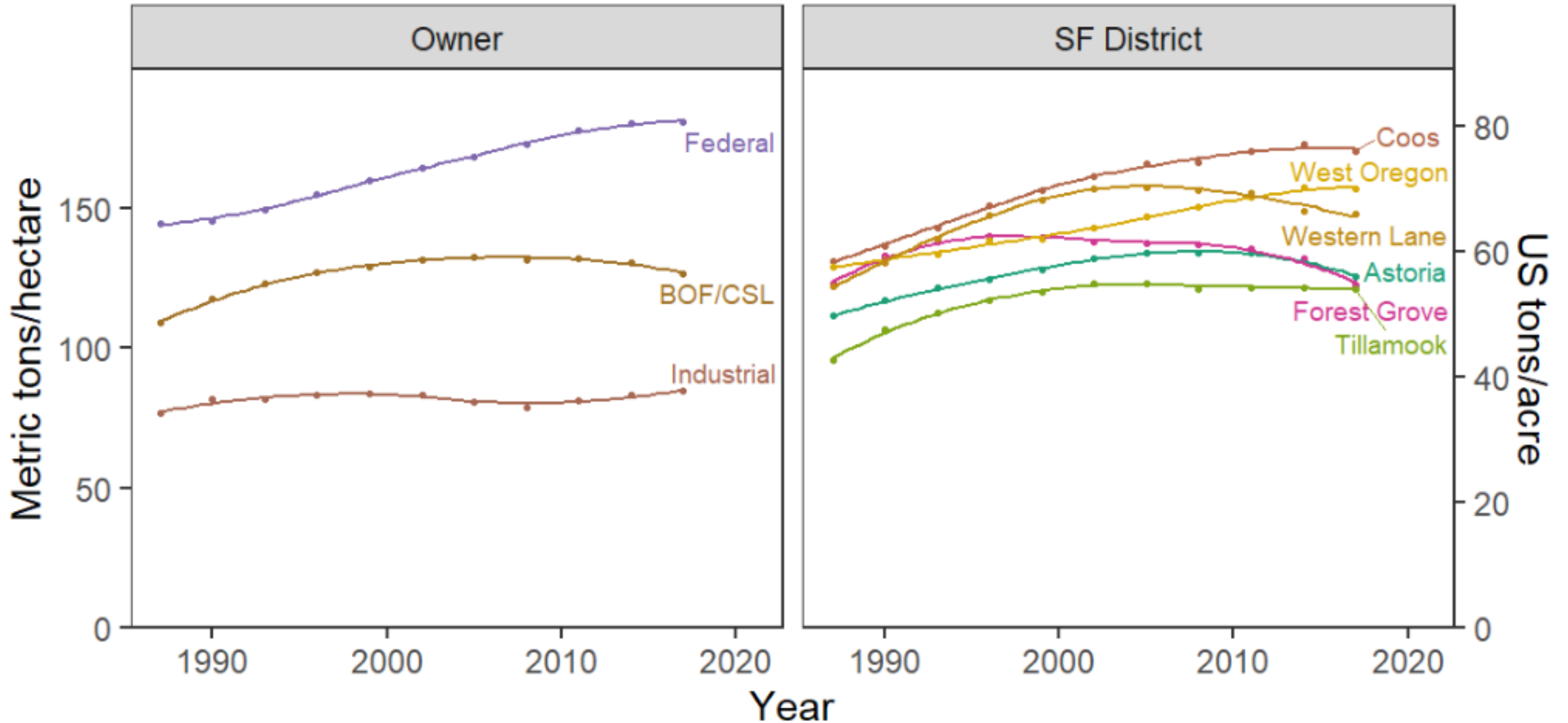
Predictions for each 30x30m pixel

¹Ohmann & Gregory (2002), Data: lemma.forestry.oregonstate.edu

²Morgan et al. (2021), www.oregon.gov/odf/forestbenefits/Documents/oregon-harvested-wood-products-carbon-inventory-report.pdf

Carbon Storage

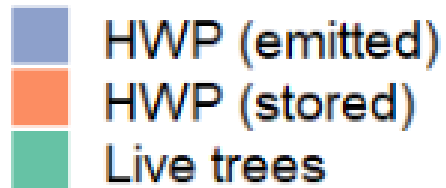
Average live tree carbon in Oregon Coast Range (1987-2017 LEMMA model)



Carbon Storage: Live Trees + Harvested Wood Products

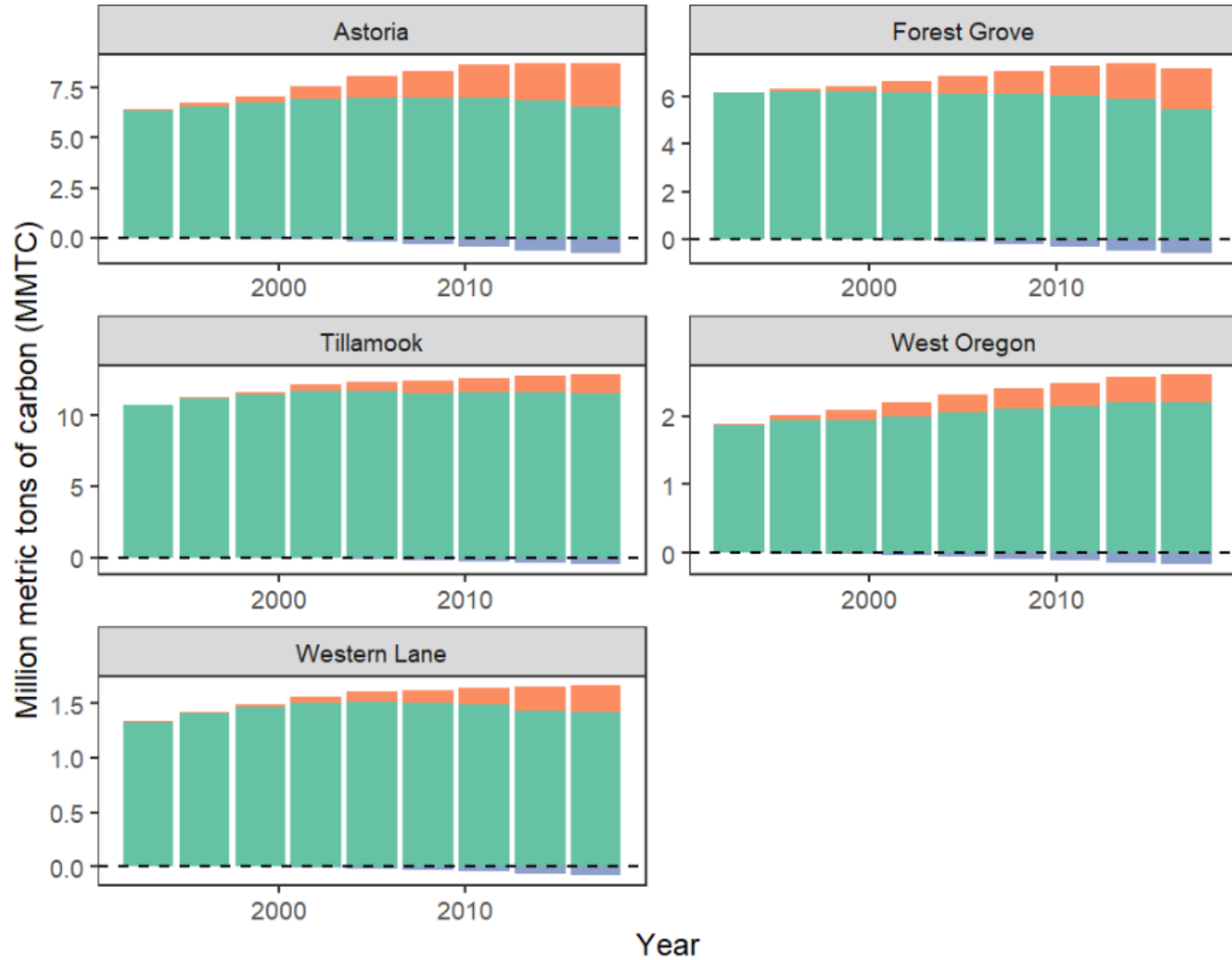
Modeled carbon pools 1991-2017

Carbon pools



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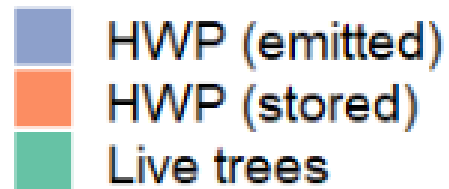
- carbon in soils, legacies
- emissions from management or manufacturing
- substitution for nonrenewable products



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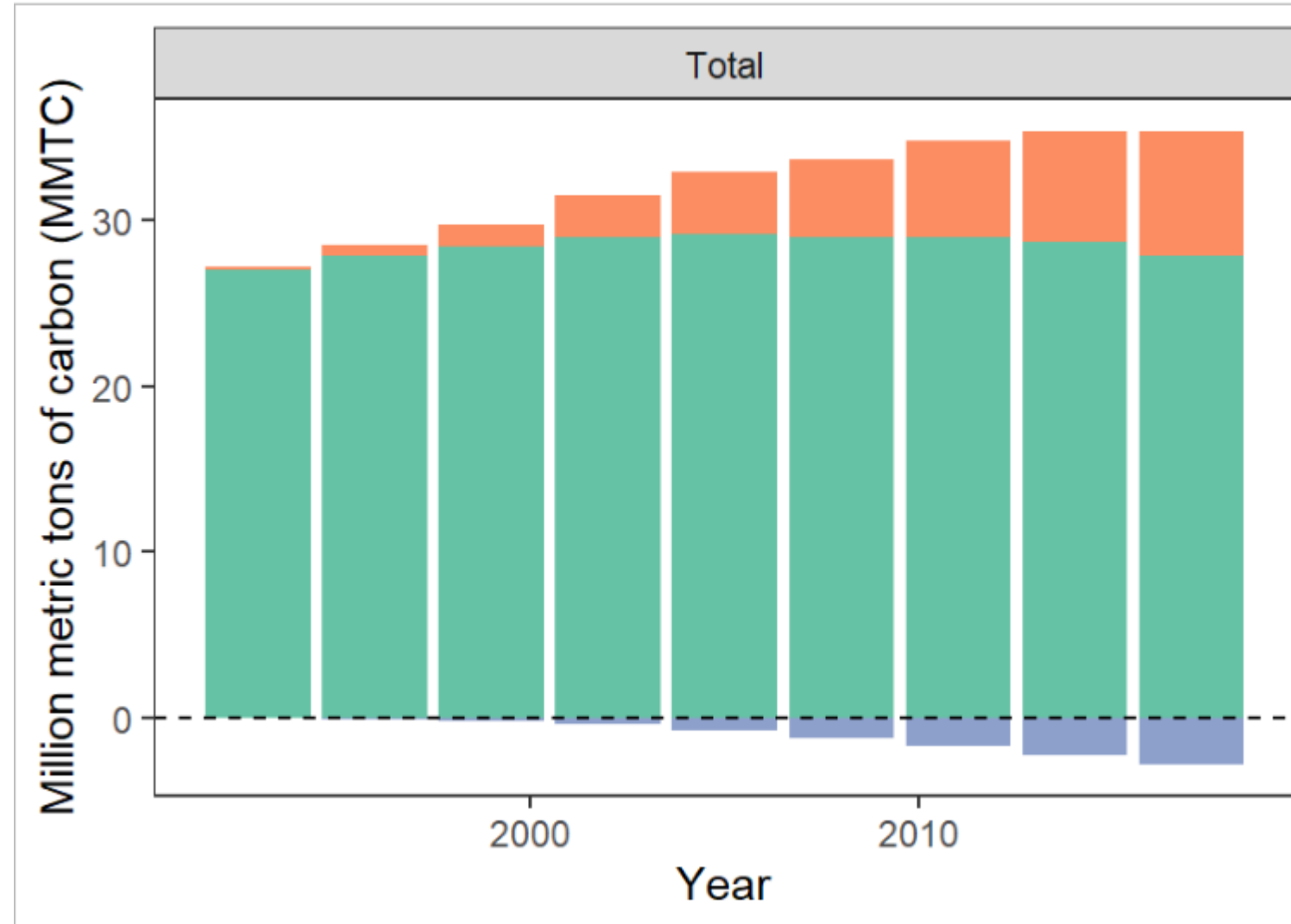
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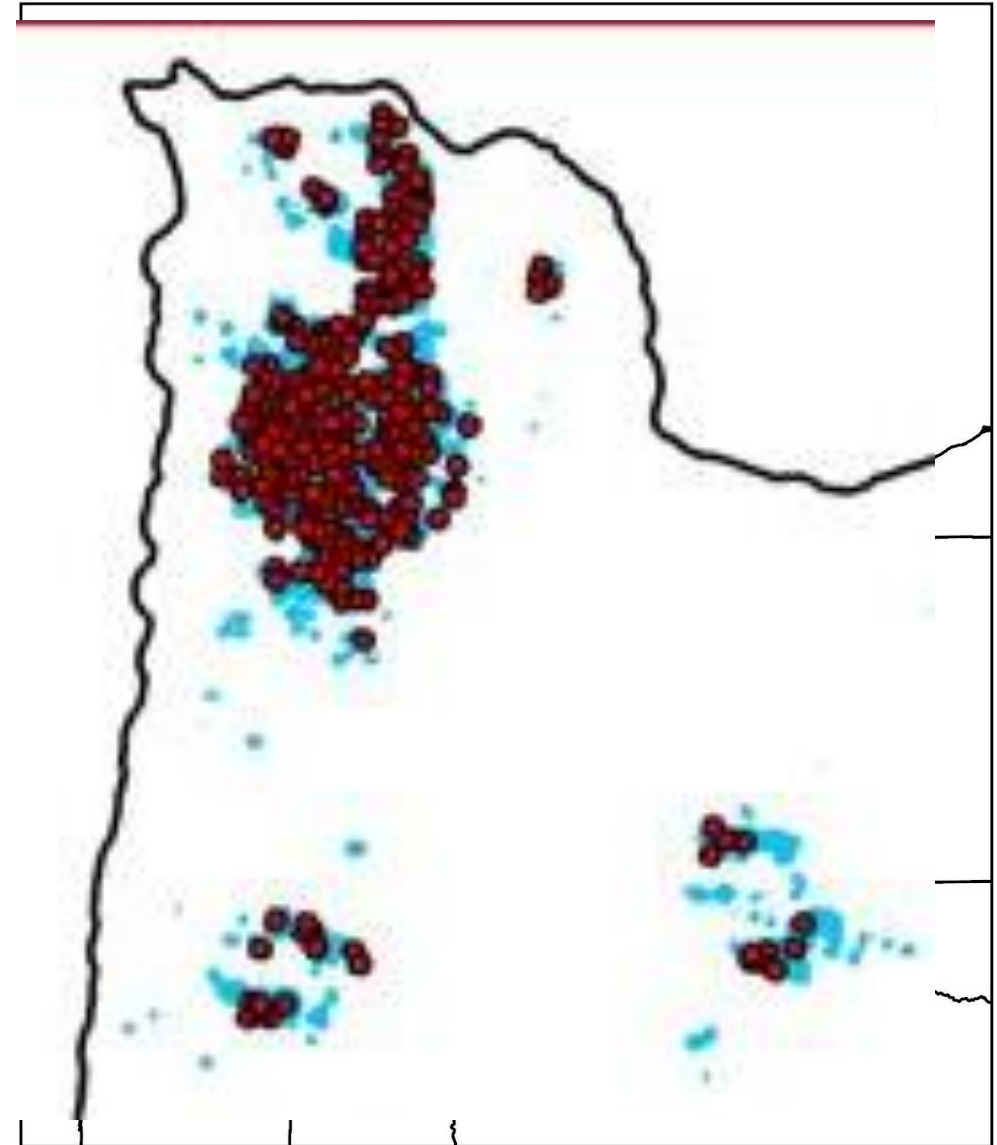
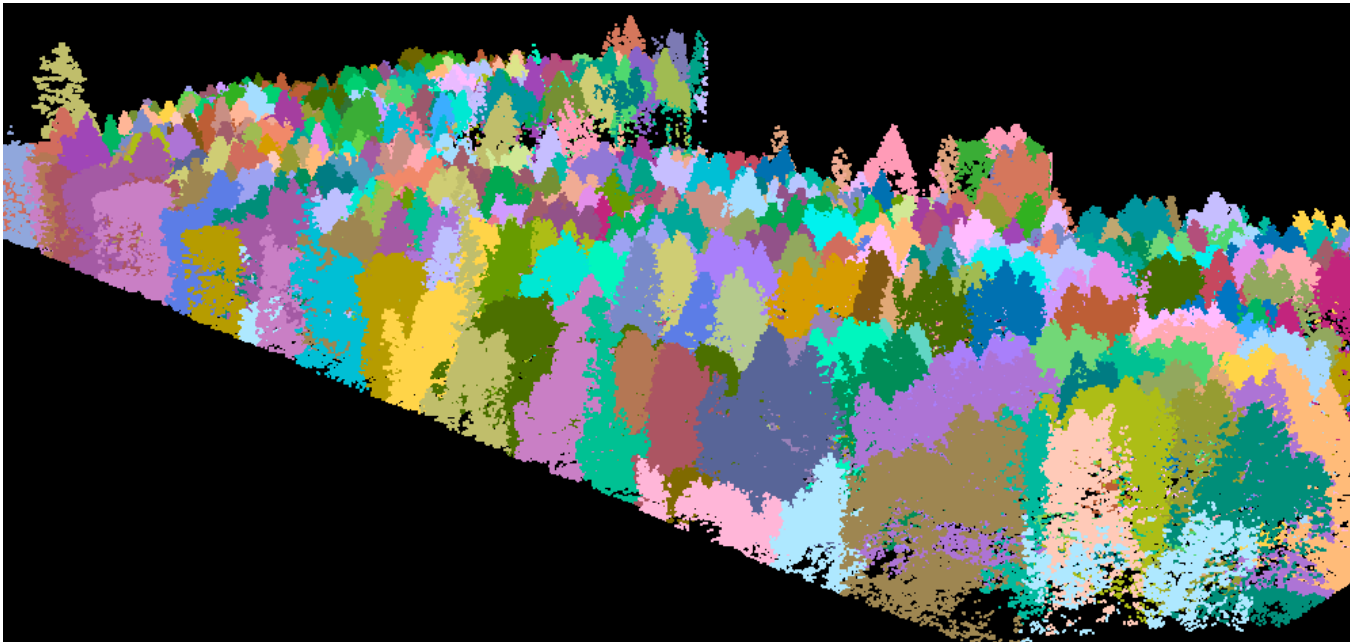
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Forest: Future Directions

- Strategic inventory investment
 - Triple # of FIA plots paired with Lidar
- FMP, CCCP, and HCP impacts on performance measures



Water Performance Measures

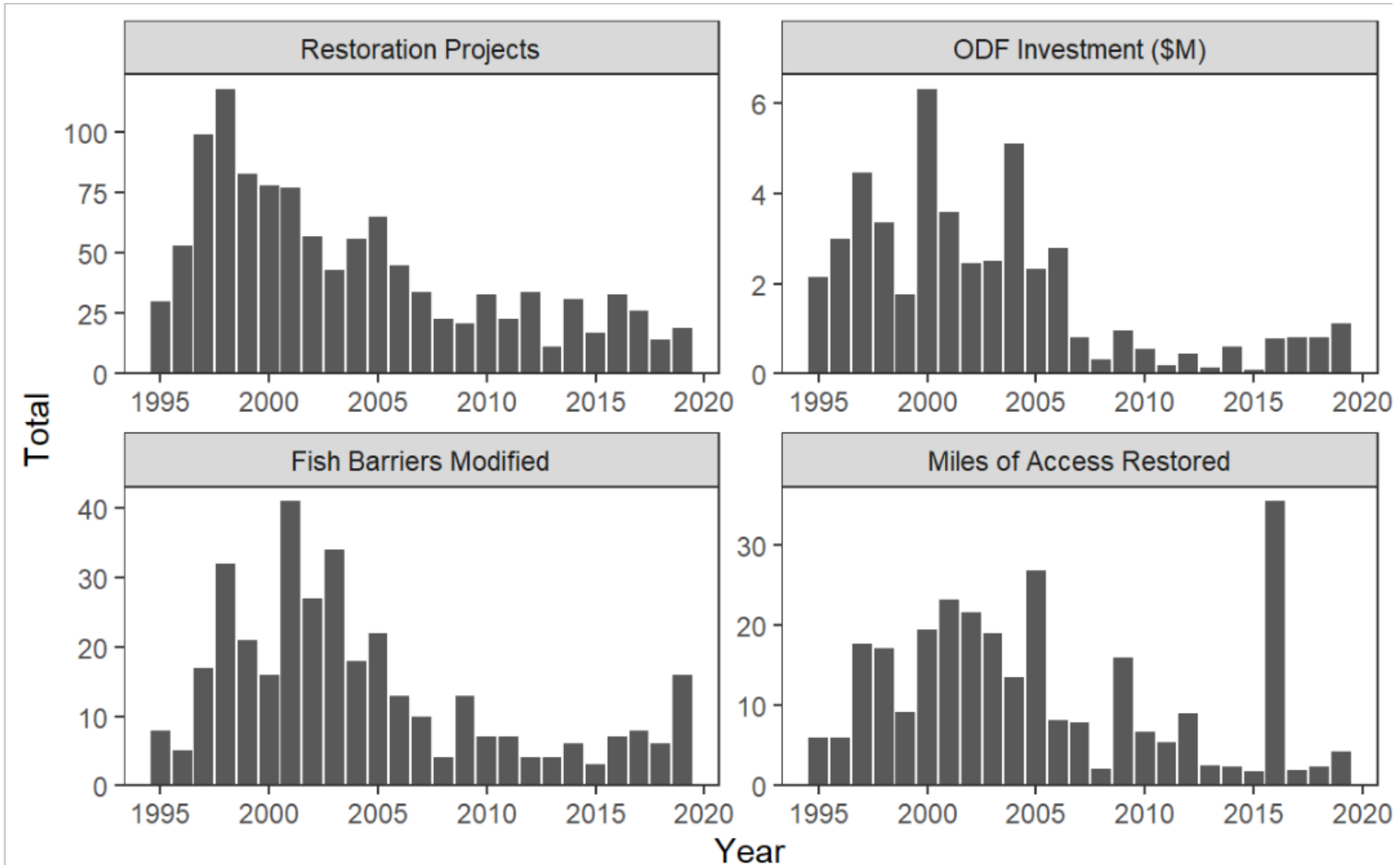
- Water quality (hydrologically connected roads, *fish passage barriers*)

Beaver dam analog



Restoration Activities

Reported to Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board



Water: Future Directions

- Effectiveness monitoring in addition to implementation monitoring
- Riparian monitoring in Santiam State Forest
- FMP, HCP, and policy impacts on performance measures

Post-fire canopy cover



Social Performance Measures

- Recreation (*availability*, quality, and *public use*)
- Public support of management



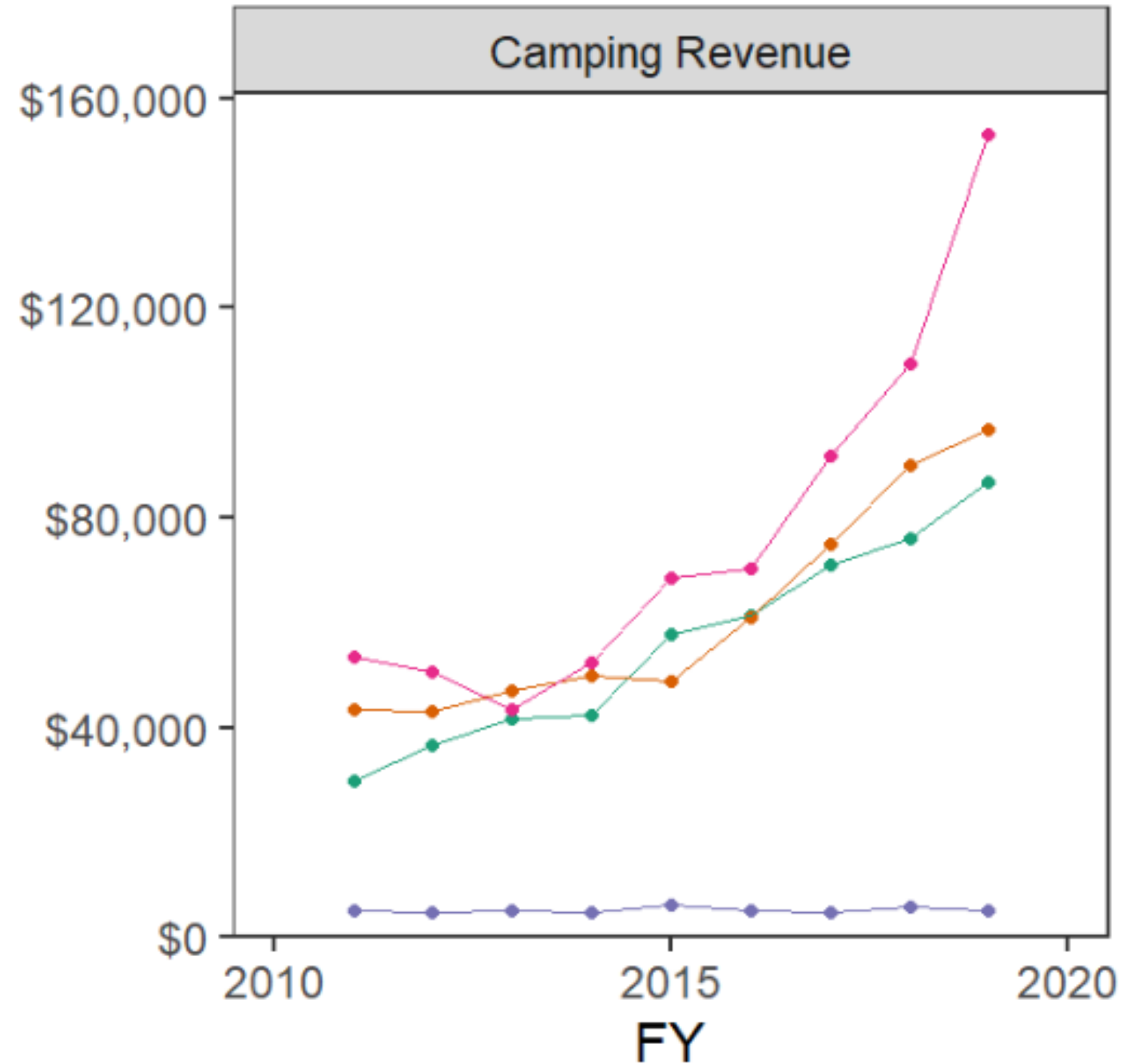
Photo: Lailani Buchanan

Recreation

- Funded primarily by timber revenue
- Varies by district
- More difficult to track trail use

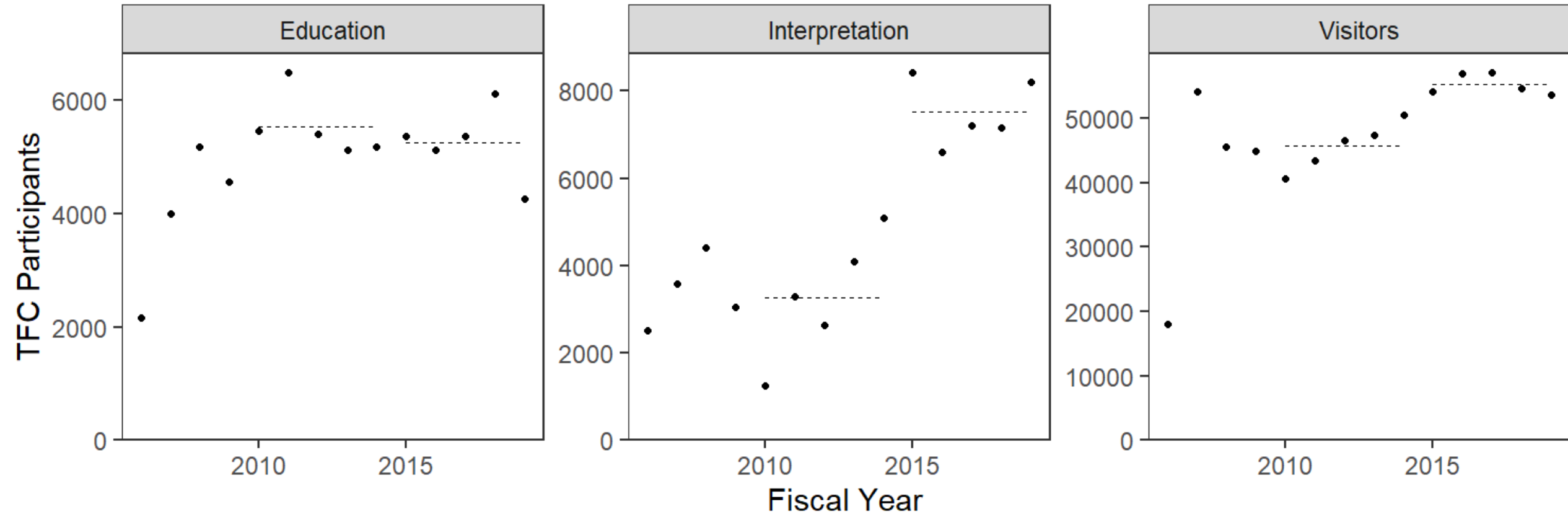
District

- Astoria
- Forest Grove
- North Cascade
- Tillamook



Tillamook Forest Center

Growing audience pre-pandemic (2006-2019)



Social: Future Directions

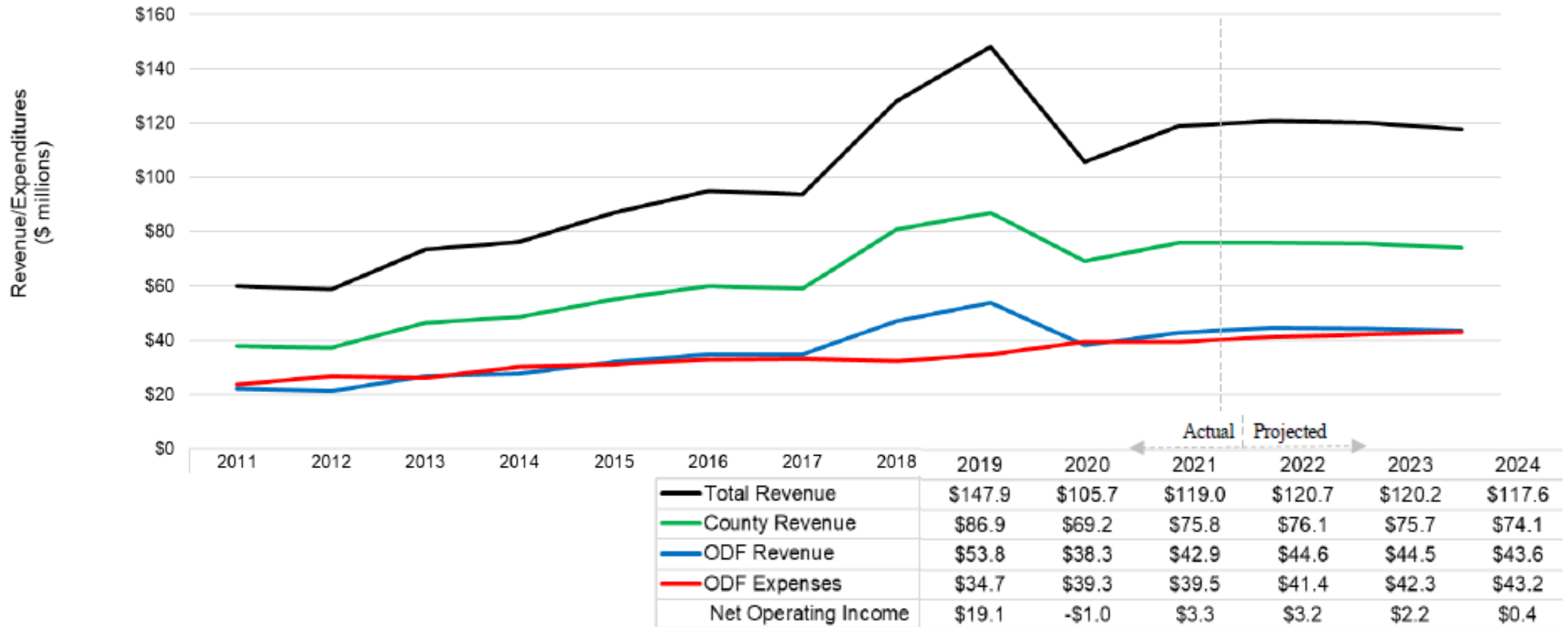
- Visitor use data and survey methodology as a next step for monitoring visitor use levels
- Strategic planning impacts on performance measures



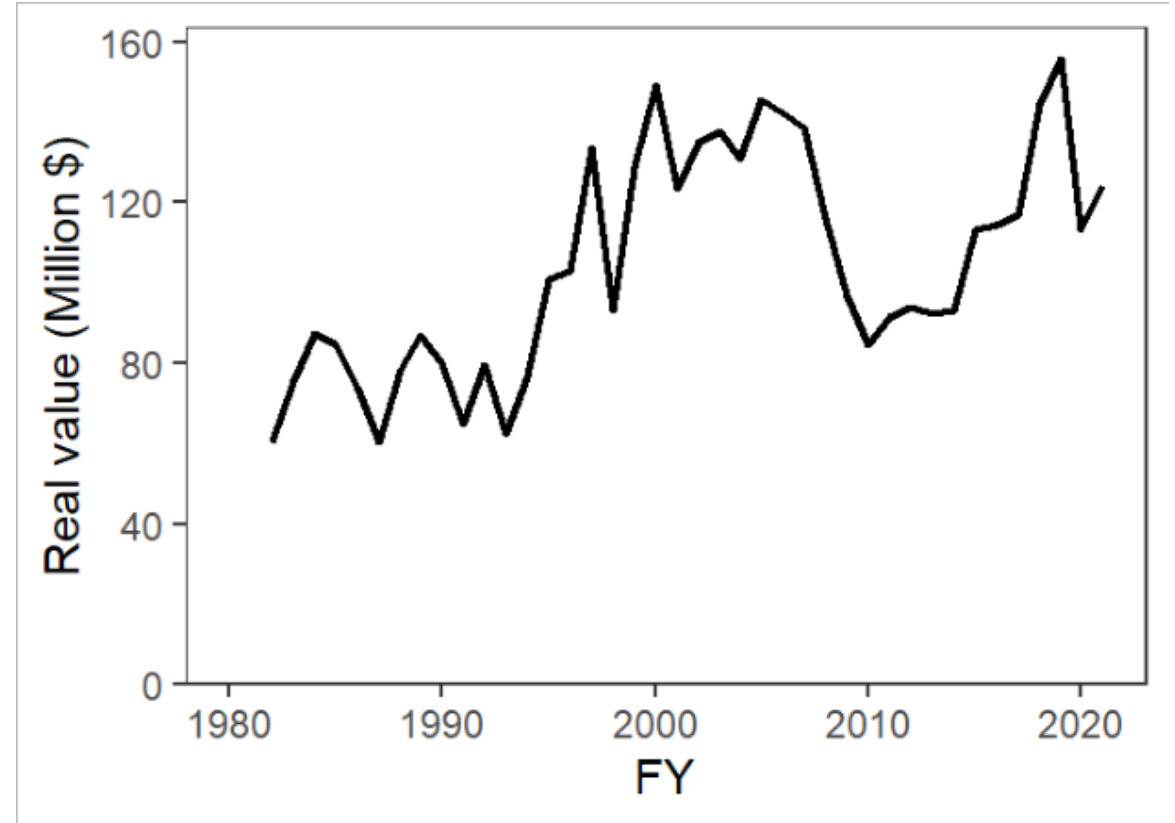
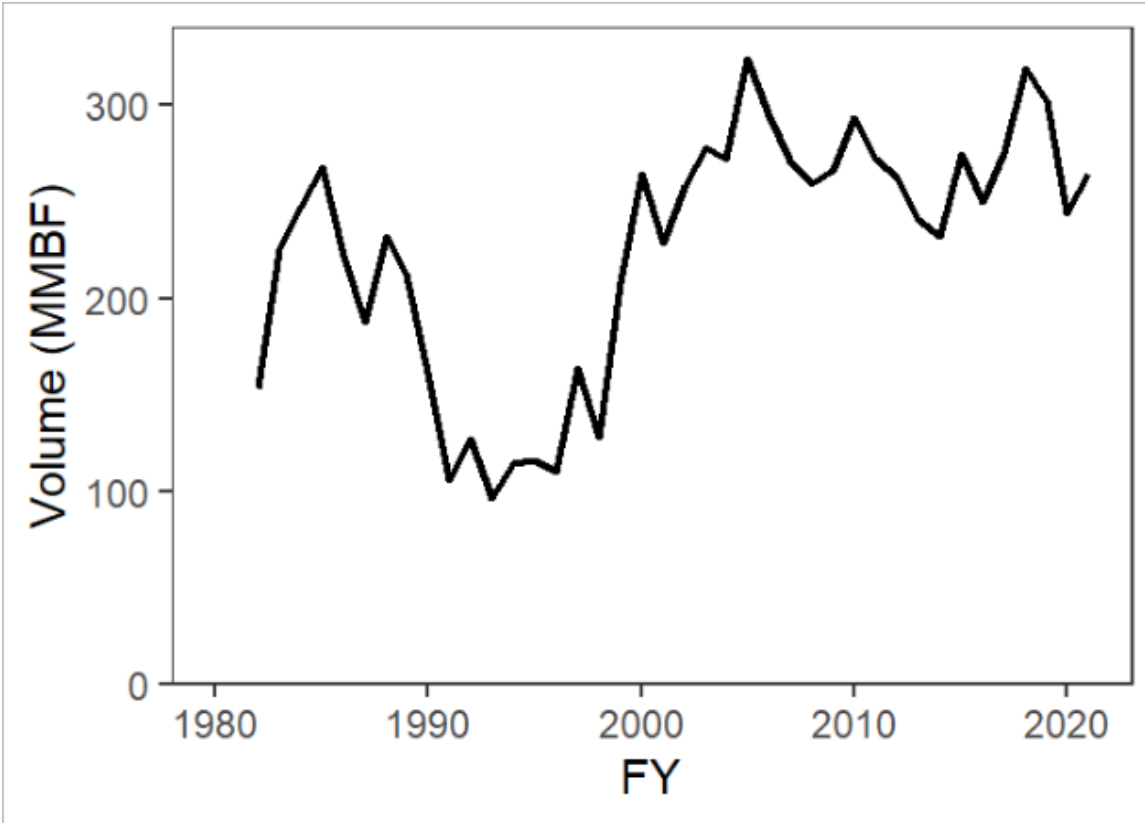
Economic Performance Measures

- Financial sustainability of forest management (*costs, revenue, revenue forecast*)
- Net return on asset value
- Community support (*direct* and indirect *financial contributions*)
- Local and state government support (*direct* and indirect *financial contributions*)

Costs, Revenue, Revenue Forecast



Annual Timber Harvest



Direct Financial Contributions

County payments and harvest volumes reported annually

County	5-year Avg	10-year Avg
Benton	\$1,199,473	\$767,975
Clackamas	\$456,423	\$491,587
Clatsop	\$24,459,623	\$19,120,245
Columbia	\$1,448,596	\$832,663
Coos	\$7,186	\$32,132
Douglas	\$471,725	\$330,835
Josephine	\$117,002	\$61,515
Klamath	\$1,383,667	\$1,388,379
Lane	\$3,746,861	\$3,223,293
Lincoln	\$2,062,138	\$1,593,377
Linn	\$3,970,225	\$3,318,421
Marion	\$2,734,486	\$1,944,003
Polk	\$145,805	\$156,492
Tillamook	\$19,501,907	\$15,536,989
Washington	\$9,515,791	\$9,342,588
Total	\$71,220,909	\$58,140,495

Economic: Future Directions

- Community wellbeing and other indirect impacts
- FMP and HCP impacts on performance measures

A photograph of a forest with a person in the distance, overlaid with a text box. The forest has many tall, thin trees and some fallen branches on the ground. The person is wearing a hat and a vest, and is standing in the middle ground. The text box is dark and contains the word "Questions?".

Questions?

Riparian monitoring in Santiam State Forest, September 2021

Western Oregon State Forests Forest Management Plan and Habitat Conservation Plan Update

November 3, 2021 | Board of Forestry Meeting



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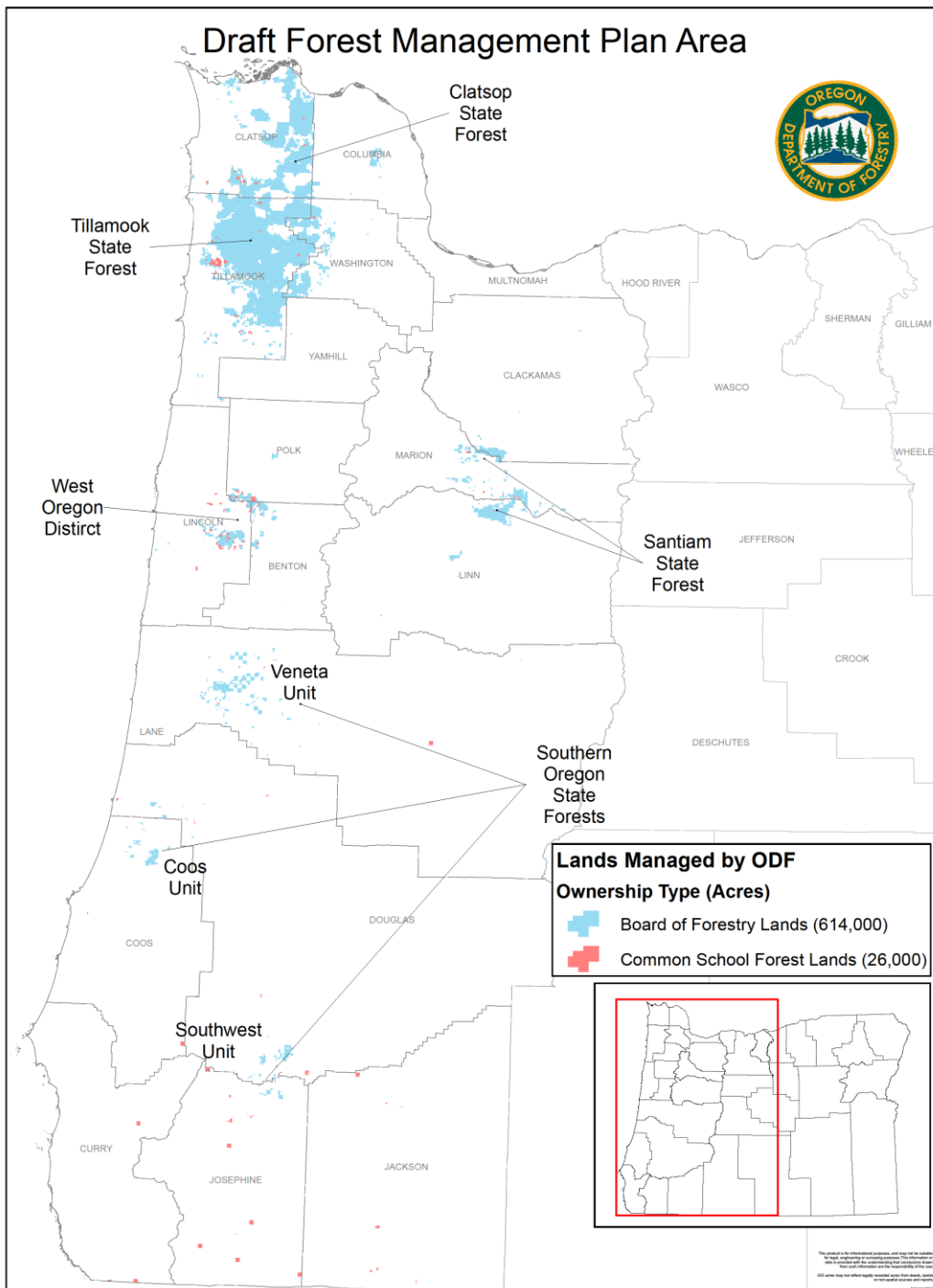
AGENDA

1. Update on Western Oregon State Forests Management Plan
2. Updates on the Western Oregon Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) and NEPA Process
3. Summary and Next Steps



PROJECT ORGANIZATION





- 614,000 acres Board of Forestry Lands
- 26,000 acres Common School Forest Lands

PLANNING LEVELS

FMP & HCP

Adopted by Board of Forestry

- The FMP provides overall **high-level** forest management goals & strategies.
- HCP provides biological goals and objectives for covered species.

IPs

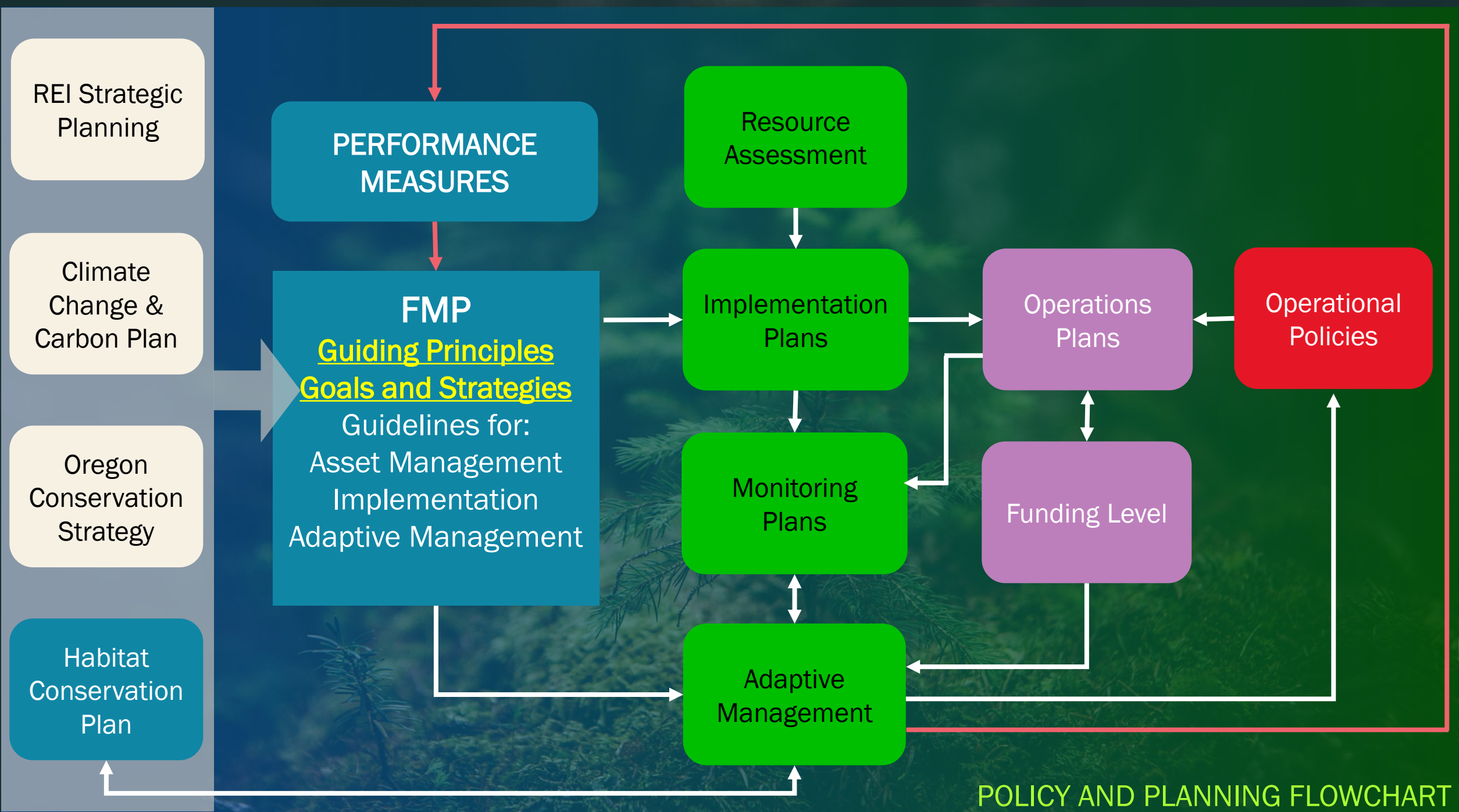
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- Sub geographic plans with **mid-level** objectives.

AOPs

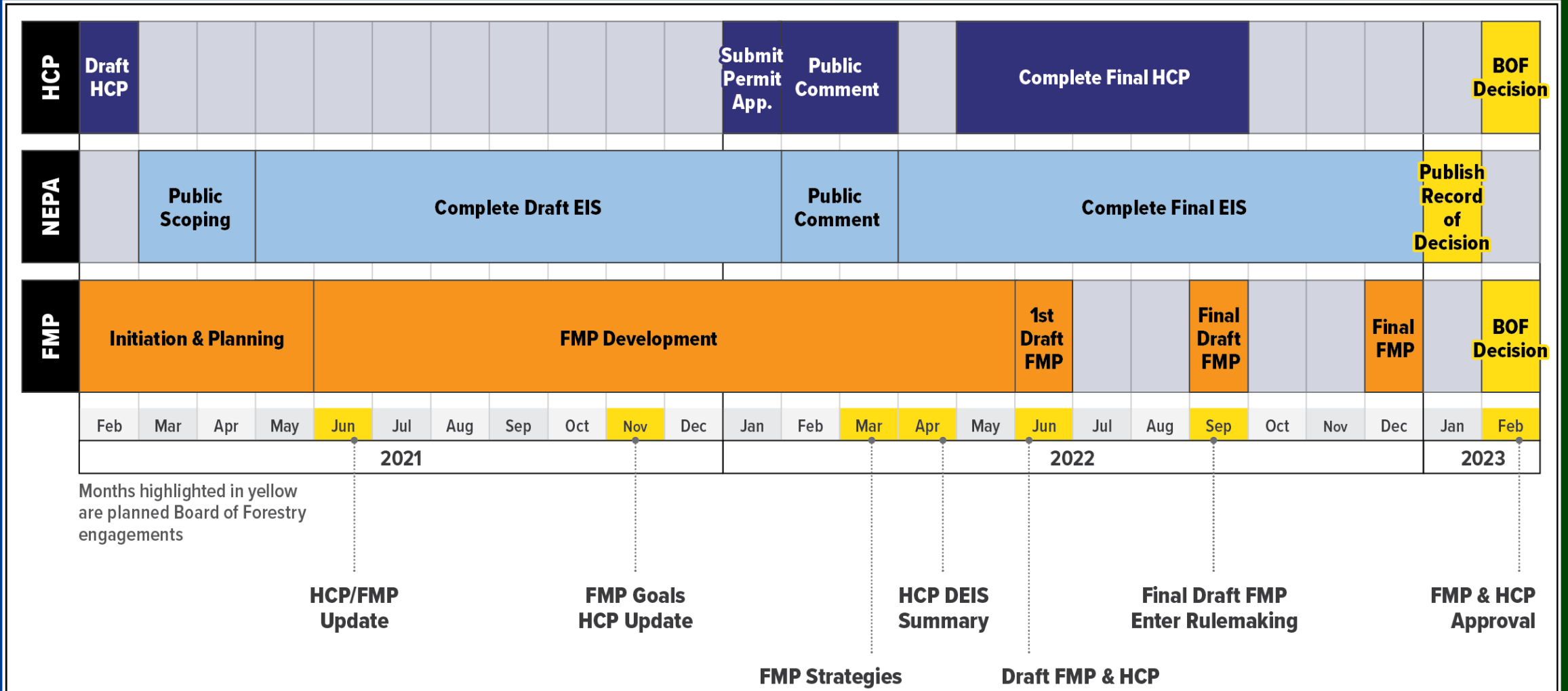
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- Plan with **operational & project level** detail.



POLICY AND PLANNING FLOWCHART

Anticipated Timeline



Internal Drafting & Review

- ODF Project Team & State Partner Agencies

Released for External Review

- Board of Forestry
- Forest Trust Lands Advisory Committee
- State Forests Advisory Committee
- Public

Key Engagement Points (Early August through October)

- Meetings Open to the Public
- Stakeholder Meetings
- FTLAC meetings

Summary of Input & Partial Revisions - TODAY

- Seeking Board Feedback

Revision will continue throughout FMP development

Forest Trust Lands Advisory Committee

- Overarching themes
 - Overall disagreement with the purpose of Board of Forestry Lands
 - Misalignment of draft goals with GPV
- Specific feedback
 - Timber Production
 - Revenue for public services
 - Timber for jobs, economic opportunity
 - Carbon
 - Storage in harvested wood products
 - Substitution of wood for steel & concrete
 - Community wellbeing

Federally Recognized Tribal Governments

- Cultural Resources Coordination: Government to Government Process
 - Draft FMP Cultural Resources Goals and Strategies Workgroup
 - Representatives Cultural and Natural Resources Clusters
 - Workgroup Mtg #1: Sept. 20th 2021
 - Workgroup Mtg # 2: Nov. 5th 2021
 - Anticipated Cultural Resources Goals and Strategies: Winter 2021/22
 - Continued engagement at all State Forests planning levels

Communities of Interest & Communities of Place

- Communities and cultures with ties to the forested landscape will be considered and represented

Public & Stakeholders

- General support for goals overall
- Wide range of individual comments
- Overarching themes
 - “Resource Types”
 - Too many goals
 - Strong focus on drinking water
 - Concern over chemicals
 - Focus on communities and equity
- Additional goal suggestions

>= 80% Strongly or Somewhat Support

- Overarching Goals: Key to Achieving Other Goals
 - Climate Change – Adaptation, Mitigation
 - Forest Health – Healthy, Sustainable, Resilient
 - Wildfire – Community and Landscape Resilience, Reduce Risks
- Specific Resource Goals:
 - **Wildlife** – Maintain, Protect, Enhance, Variety of Habitat Types
 - **Aquatics & Riparian** – Maintain, Protect, Restore, Dynamic & Resilient
 - **Drinking Water** – Quality, Quantity
 - Pollinators & Invertebrates – Habitat, Maintain or Enhance
 - Plants – Diverse, Native, Across Seral Stages
 - **Air Quality** – Maintain & Protect
 - **Soil** – Maintain, Protect, Enhance
 - **Recreation**, Education, Interpretation – Foster Appreciation & Understanding
 - **Recreation**, Education, Interpretation – Environmentally Sustainable, Minimize Impact

>= 70% Strongly or Somewhat Support

- Forest Carbon – Contribute within State Forests Lands
- Transportation System – Facilitate Activities, Protect Resources, Efficient, Safe
- Scenic – Visually Appealing Forested Settings
- Special Forest Products – Provide Opportunities to Obtain

>= 60% Strongly or Somewhat Support

- **Timber Production** – Sustainable production for jobs and revenues (BOFL)
- **Timber Production** – Long-term revenue to Common School Fund (CSFL)

< 50% Strongly or Somewhat Support

- **Mining, Agriculture, Administrative Sites & Grazing** – As compatible with other resources

Goal Revisions

- Revised 10 draft goals based on feedback
 - Clarifying language
 - Shifting of focus
- Two new goals
 - Community Wellbeing
 - Forest Restoration

Board Discussion and Feedback

- Do the goals support the range of benefits expected from these forests?
 - Additional resources
- Is there anything that needs additional work?
 - Terminology
 - Clarity and intent
 - Consolidation, gaps, or deletions
- Context?
 - Wildfire, Forest Health, Climate Change
- What is your perception of the public engagement process?

Draft Strategies

Upcoming Key Dates

- December 3 | FTLAC
- December 7 | Meeting Open to the Public
- December 9 & 13 Joint Stakeholder Meetings
- March | Board of Forestry



FMP Next Steps

March 2022

- Revised Goals
- Draft Strategies
- Draft Performance Measures

Summer 2022

- 1st Complete Draft FMP



Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conservation Plan



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HCP Updates

- Overview of review process and changes
- Updates to Covered Activities
- Updates to Conservation Actions

Summary of HCP Updates since June 2021:

<https://www.oregon.gov/odf/aboutodf/pages/hcp-initiative.aspx>

Revised Administrative Draft

- Changes are the result of operation review by ODF and additional review by Scoping Team
- Revised to provide more clarity during implementation and consistency across the document
- Revised to better align with intended outcomes of Scoping Team discussions and document text
- Moved conservation commitments from Chapter 3, Covered Activities to Chapter 4, Conservation Strategy

Covered Activities

Herbicides

- Herbicide application removed as a covered activity
- Updated Covered Activities and Effects Analysis accordingly

Roads

- Pulled landings and water drafting and storage under roads
- Updated description of landings to include roadside turnouts

Quarries

- Updated definition to Quarries, Borrow Sites, and Stockpile Sites

Water Drafting

- Revised language on water drafting to make it clear when and how water drafting would occur

Recreation Infrastructure

- Updating information in HCP to include best management practices
- Ongoing discussions internally and with Scoping Team

Conservation Actions

Conservation Action 8 – Outside HCAs

- Updated definition of NSO dispersal habitat
- Clarified requirements for leave trees, snag, and downed wood retention (Table 4-12)

Conservation Action 10 – Operational Restrictions

- Created clarity between requirements inside HCAs and outside HCA
- Clarified requirements for NSO, MAMU, and RTV outside of HCAs –seasonal restrictions apply during breeding season for known nest locations

Schedule

- November/December: Finalize Public Draft HCP
- December 7: Meeting Open to the Public
- December/January: Submit permit application to USFWS and NOAA Fisheries

Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conservation Plan

NEPA Update

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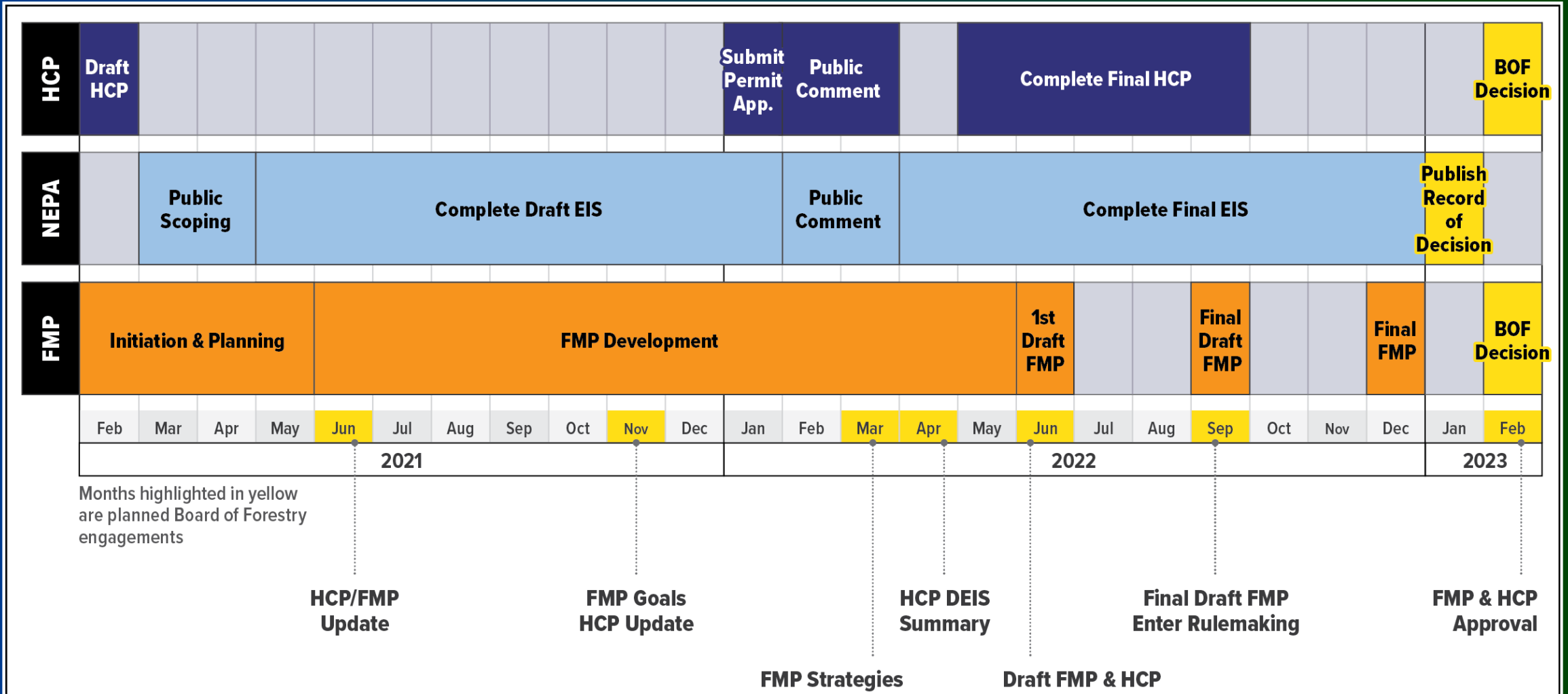
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Oregon/Washington Coastal Area Office



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Anticipated Timeline



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Questions

Next Steps: Board of Forestry Engagement

2022

- March : FMP Strategies & HCP Update
- April: HCP Update – Summary of DEIS Results & Feedback
- Summer: FMP & HCP Outcomes Analysis
- Fall: Final Draft FMP – Enter Rule Making & HCP Update

2023

- Feb: Final FMP & HCP Presented for Board Decision



BOARD OF FORESTRY
NOVEMBER 3RD, 2021

REVIEW AND APPROVAL
RECOMMENDATION

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY
CLIMATE CHANGE AND CARBON PLAN

Overview

Today we will be providing:

- Overview of process and changes made since the September meeting
- Recommendation for approval
- Next steps related to the plan

More information, documentation, and the draft plan are available at:

www.oregon.gov/odf/forestbenefits/Pages/climate-change.aspx

Commitment to Public Process

DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY STAFF HAVE BEEN AND CONTINUE TO BE COMMITTED TO UTILIZING AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT PUBLIC PROCESS IN WORK ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND PLANNING. TO THAT END IT LOOKS TO:

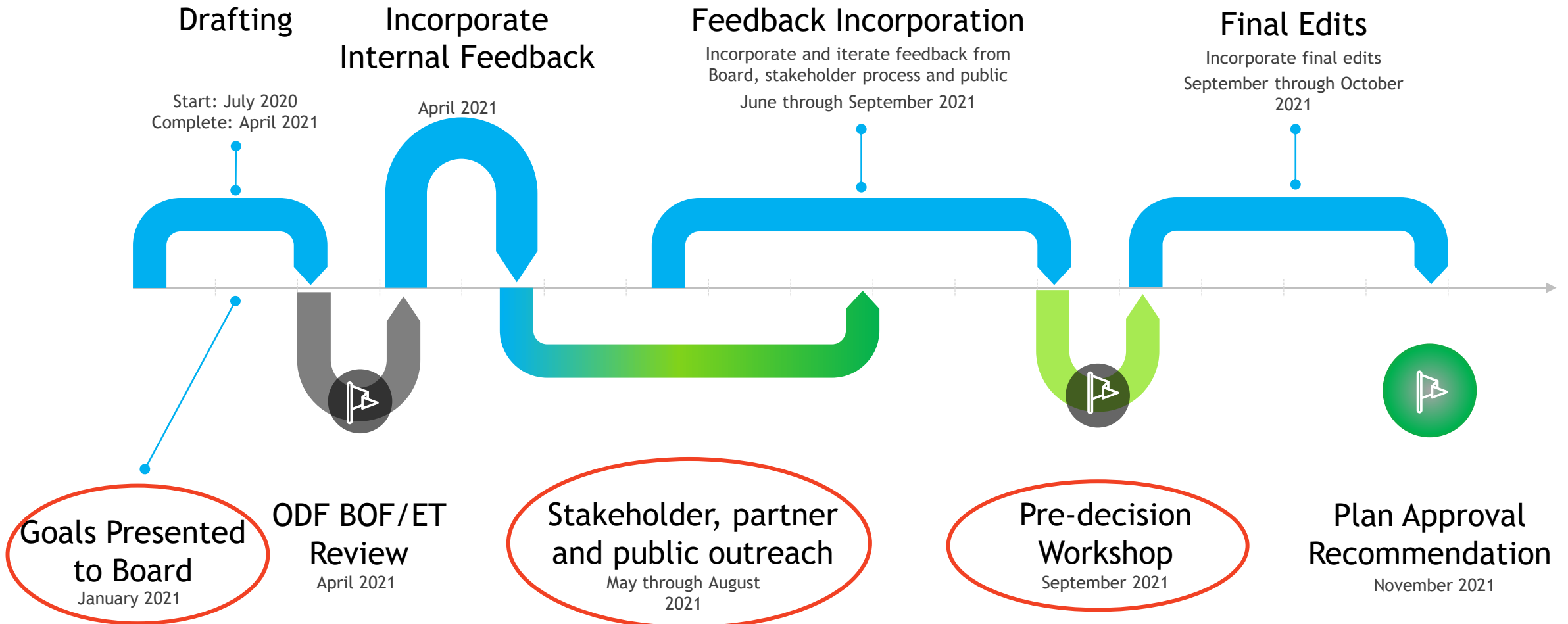
Include all voices

- Climate impacted communities
- Tribal
- BIPOC
- Populations with intergenerational poverty
- Rural and natural resource dependent communities
- Others

Provide ample opportunities for input and feedback:

- At Board meetings
- Through public information sessions and in workgroups
- Through group assessment processes
- With written and oral feedback
- Available to those that wish to engage in the conversation
- By being open and honest with all interested parties

Timeline



Forestry Climate Action Goals

1. Climate-Smart Forestry in Silviculture
2. Fire Management, Response and Fire / Smoke Adapted Communities
3. State Forests Management
4. Forestlands Climate Resilience and Ecological Function Restoration
5. Urban and Community Forests
6. Reforestation and Afforestation
7. Maintain and Conserve Forests
8. Research and Monitoring

Changes Since September Board Meeting

- Refinement of definitions for clarity and understanding.
- Recognize that Oregonians living through intergenerational poverty and in rural communities are explicitly included.
- Inclusion of water issues as related to drought and climate impacts.
- Commendation for the wood products industry for reduction in emissions and increasing efficiency since the 1970s.
- Highlight role of Board work plans in implementation.
- Inclusion of commitment to public process.

Additional Changes

- Included alternative species and mixed conifer-hardwood stands as potential wildfire risk mitigation measure.
- Included incentives to avoid forest conversion more explicitly.
- Inclusion of monitoring for unintended consequences to communities and rural economies for adaptive planning and management.
- Inclusion of additional supporting actions to provide technical assistance and support for longer term storage in wood products and biochar.
- Inclusion of facilities actions related to EO 20-04 and previous direction as well as the most current Sustainability Report as an appendix.

Department Recommendation

The Department is recommending that the Board approve the Climate Change and Carbon Plan.

Alternatives:

- The Board can decline to approve the CCCP and the Department will continue to work towards an approval through further revision of the plan.
- The Board can decline to approve the CCCP and direct the Department to stop work on a climate change plan.

Next Steps with Approval of the Plan

- The Department will work to integrate the Climate Change and Carbon Plan into its planning, implementation, and operationalization including work plans and budget development processes.
- The Department will work with the Board to begin the update process of the Forestry Program for Oregon, using the vision of the CCCP as the foundation for the revision.

Questions and Resources



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ODF Climate Change Page: www.oregon.gov/odf/ForestBenefits/Pages/Climate-Change.aspx

Board of Forestry Page: www.oregon.gov/odf/board/Pages/default.aspx

Governor Brown's Climate Policy Office: www.oregon.gov/gov/policy/Pages/energy_climatechange.aspx

OGWC website: www.keeporegoncool.org/about-the-commission