# MISSION ®

The Oregon Department of Forestry serves the people of Oregon by protecting, managing, and promoting stewardship of Oregon's forests to enhance environmental, economic and community sustainability. To achieve its mission, the department has a diverse portfolio of work that spans forest management, fire protection, regulation and enforcement, forest health, forest restoration and resiliency.

## STATE FORESTS



The State Forests Division manages 729,718 acres of state forests to provide a range of sustainable public benefits to Oregonians. Oregon's forests are the backbone to healthy living, climate-change mitigation and adaptation, and a strong economy. During the first half of the 1900s, counties deeded most of these lands to the Oregon Department of Forestry following catastrophic fires, intense timber harvests, and subsequent tax foreclosures. Through time and purposeful management, the State Forests Division restored the forests and watersheds, and today the management of these lands provide Oregonians with local wood products. iobs and economic support, revenue for counties and local schools, clean water, high-quality fish and wildlife habitat, and recreation, education and interpretation opportunities. Oregon Revised Statutes 530.050 establishes that the lands will be managed "to secure greatest permanent value of those lands to the state."

### **AGENCY ADMINISTRATION**

The Agency Administration Division's mission is to provide leadership, assessment, policy development, public involvement, communications and administrative systems in support of the Board of Forestry and department, and to provide the foundation for effective implementation of ODF's core business functions. The division continuously evaluates its processes to improve service delivery. It takes very seriously its responsibility as stewards of public dollars. All these efforts directly support the "excellence in state government" element of the Governor's strategic plan.

### **Agency Administration Division has 2 Main Components:**

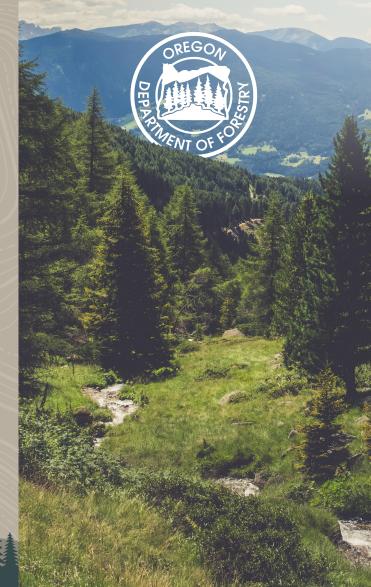
- → Agency leadership and management, in concert with the Board of Forestry, provides leadership and policy direction on all forestry matters in the state, which includes internal audit and legislative coordination.
- → Administrative Branch, comprised of the Admin Modernization, Budget Management, Facilities Capital Management, Financial Services, Human Resources, Information Technology, Contracts Services and Public Affairs programs.





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# PRACTICING & PROMOTING Sustainable Forestry



# FIRE PROTECTION &

The Fire Protection Division's mission is to provide fire protection through a complete and coordinated system that incorporates agency resources with those of private forest landowners, federal agencies, other state agencies, city fire departments and rural fire protection districts. **ODF protects 16 million acres** - nearly half of Oregon's forested lands - including privately-owned forests as well as some public lands, including state-owned forests and, by contract, US Bureau of Land Management forests in western Oregon.

Fire prevention, detection and suppression are accomplished at the local level through 12 protection districts, including three private associations called Forest Protective Associations. Programs within the division - like smoke management and fire mitigation - support the work at the local level. Landowners play an essential role in supporting and enhancing the Fire Protection Division, which is financed through a blend of public and landowner dollars. Other key stakeholders and partners include forest operators, homeowners, communities, tourists and outdoor enthusiasts, federal agencies, other state agencies, tribal and local governments, state and federal legislators, and private firefighting contractors.

ODF's firefighting policy is straightforward...

PUT OUT FIRES QUICKLY AT THE SMALLEST POSSIBLE SIZE.









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FIREFIGHTERS EXTINGUISHING A FIRE

## FOREST RESOURCES



economic, and social benefits. Oregon has some of the most productive forestlands. Private forests produce about **78%** of Oregon's timber. These private forests are essential for the state's well-being and economic success. The timber industry provides over **71,000 jobs**, many in rural areas where other work is scarce.

#### The Forest Resources Division's 9 Main Businesses:

- → Enforcing & Administering the Oregon Forest Practices Act (FPA)
- → Forest Health & Monitoring
- → Adaptive Management & Training
- → Small Forestland Owners Office (family forestland assistance)
- → Urban & Community Forestry
- J.E. Schroeder Seed Orchard
- → Oregon Seed Bank
- → All-lands Initiatives
- > Federal Forest Restoration Program

## PLANNING ST



The Planning Branch maintains responsibility for agency strategic planning processes. It facilitates the Board of Forestry, including maintenance of the strategic plan, the Forestry Program for Oregon.