

## Capacity Tool- A Way Forward to a more BALANCED HCP

In early February 2024, USFWS Oregon State Supervisor and the State wildlife biologist generously held separate conversations with Board members, to clarify aspects and roles within the HCP and its processes. USFWS spoke to the lengthy timeline to analyze a separate alternative within the range.

I heard that to analyze another alternative within the range, a timeline of an entire four years was assumed by the USFWS biologist.

I was a bit stunned by this time frame, given my understanding and experience of planning, wildlife management, and solving capacity issues for projects! This has led to some speculation that there seems to be no clear path forward, except to keep with the existing option, given the current capacity issues and timeline inferred by USFWS.

However, the advantage that the USFWS local state office has, is the "head-room" above it. There is higher level supervisory support, including the Pacific Regional Office and of course, the USFWS National Headquarters in Washington DC.

In addition to the leadership support of Supervisors, Regional Directors and National Directors, the Services were given a Tested and Proven gift by Congress, a Capacity and skills Expanding Tool, through the 2018 Consolidated Appropriations Act (PL-114-141), named Experienced Services Program (ESP). It's objectives are to expand and complete conservation work by Immediately securing highly skilled and experienced enrollees for work.

Over 15 years ago, the initial version of this capacity tool, named the Ag Conservation Experience Services (ACES), was authorized by the 2008 Farm Bill for NRCS. Due to its Use and Success, ACES was expanded across other federal agencies, in 2014, including the US Forest Service with the passage of the Farm Bill (PL 113-079).

Senators Wyden and Merkley voted for the 2014 Farm Bill, and Wyden again on the 2018 consolidated Appropriations Bill.

Both ACES and ESP (that can immediately access NEPA skills) were created to Exactly address the stated USFWS HCP capacity and timeline challenges. It IS a PROVEN Path forward.

The USFWS's version of ESP, is highly flexible, innovative and can immediately bring specialized skills, such as Scientists, Biologists, Planners, Analysts, GIS, and numerous other skills (many from retired federal workers) to fill temporary, short and long term needs, on part time and full time needs.

Just within the ACES program, hundreds of enrollees have already participated, at the national office in DC, the Pacific Southwest Research Station, Forest Products lab and offices across 17 States.

The DOI's ESP program, enrollees already provided over 21.5 million hours of skills to federal agencies, including EPA, USFWS, NPS and BLM on highly complex projects, some involving and multi-State boundaries.

It might be speculated (I think erroneously) that even with use of ESP, and the addition of highly skilled workers contributing to the process, HCP timelines would not be altered. To me, this appears non sequitur and defies decades of my own experience of completing complex NEPA and NFMA documents.

During my career I've had "hands-on" planning experience and decision-making responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and NFMA, I KNOW that critical paths can be shortened and made more efficient, with the appropriate addition of highly skilled workers.

Over three decades, I have made complex decisions on a wide array of NEPA projects ranging from Forest to Aquatic to Land exchanges and more. I might mention a few diverse decisions now?

In New Mexico, on an abbreviated timeline, I planned and executed the NEPA decision for the creation of the Magdalena Ridge Observatory, by rapidly Accessing higher region-wide skills for planning, tribal liaison and archeology for the important mountain top ecosystem, significant to multiple Pueblos. Additionally, I requested National office expertise to assist Partner collaboration which would include UK's Cambridge University (Cavendish), the nation's Naval Research Lab and eventually the Air Force Research Lab. The planned observatory would exceed Hubble's Space telescope resolution, by 100 times; and when complete will be one of the largest earth-based optical telescopes. Among the many objectives, is the exploration of exoplanets. I believe, due to up-front collaboration, consultation and inclusion across multiple parties, the 1,000 acre mountain top complex was not litigated.

In North Carolina, I sought to allow for the first time, limited non-motorized boating access on the Wild and Scenic Chattooga River and its blue ribbon waters, which were previously only accessible by in-stream anglers. American Whitewater challenged the NEPA plan and decision, arguing boating access was not enough and Forest Watch also intervened, and then subsequently argued that boating access was excessive.

Forest and Regional early and robust engagement of communities of place and communities of interest over several years, were key to a complex final decision. Consideration of many social issues, evaluation of seasonal water flow levels, multiple years of intensive actual use surveys, to determine timing and use, led to "finely threading the decision needle," BALANCING use among the multiple parties interests.

Judge Harris, in 4th Circuit Court of Appeals, affirmed the decision of the lower court and stated that the "well rounded" NEPA document and final decision "carefully balanced wide ranging issues" regarding the soundness of the plan and final decision.

In Louisiana, I, in part, due to serious safety issues, shooting near-misses, and hunter confrontation with law enforcement, proposed a ban of historical deer-dog hunting on the National Forest (2010 NEPA plan/decision). After administrative appeal of the decision, I addressed the appeal issues raised and re-issued the NEPA plan/decision (2012).

The NEPA plan and decision were twice litigated by Louisiana Sportsman Alliance. Judge Dee Drell dismissed the initial lawsuit in 2012. The Louisiana Sportsman (and hunters) brought a second lawsuit in 2017 to the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, where Judge Drell ruled in summary judgement review, based on the administrative record.

Judge Dee Drell affirmed the NEPA plan and decision in 2012; and again in 2018, when he decided to hear a second challenge (explaining that he was inclined to do so, because the case was so "unusual"). Ultimately, in the second 2018 lawsuit, Judge Drell Dismissed the case "With Prejudice," re-affirming the SOUNDNESS of the administrative record and decision.

A commonality of these cases/decisions is the robust and purposeful engagement of those affected, in striving for a balanced decision, that would stand the test of legal challenges.

(Much has been said about the urgency of HCP. Do not mistake the urgent for the important). One can make mistakes when you hurry. Healthy Leadership is Incorporating Learning from mistakes and continuing on.

In the words of Basketball Coach John Wooden, "BE Quick, DON'T Hurry."

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From the desk of Milt Moran  
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Oregon Board of Forestry Members,

Mark Gourley and I would like to contribute several bullet points for your consideration regarding the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan by the Board of Forestry for Oregon State Forests, particularly the Tillamook State Forest.

We are strong advocates for diversity in wildlife, aquatic and plant communities. We also support the use of our state forests as a resource for recreation, rural communities, and small businesses. We strongly believe that the protection and resiliency of our forests in Oregon, the productive soils, clean air and water they provide, are a product of active and dynamic forest management.

### **Bullet Point #1: Tillamook State Forest and Swiss Needle Cast**

Tillamook State Forest is the epicenter of the foliage fungal disease Swiss Needle Cast, a native pathogen caused by *Phaeocryptopus gaeumannii*. Douglas-fir is the only host for *P. gaeumannii*. The Swiss Needle Cast Research Cooperative at Oregon State University was formed over twenty years ago by ODF state pathologist Alan Kanaskie, John Washburn of Simpson Timber Company, Dr. Bill Atkinson of Oregon State University, and Mark Gourley of Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc. The research cooperative includes public forest representatives from Oregon and Washington, forest scientists from Oregon, Washington and Canada, Canadian public forestry agencies, and private forest landowners from Oregon and Washington. This group researches the pathogenicity and biology of *P. gaeumannii* and its corresponding management approaches.

The Swiss Needle Cast Research Cooperative findings and some of its observations are as follows:

- Many Douglas-fir on the Tillamook State Forest below the age of twenty are dead or dying. Himalayan Blackberry (an invasive species), salmonberry, and ferns are lacing the dying and dead Douglas-fir. With wet heavy snow and ice events, entire young Douglas-Fir forests are breaking and collapsing.
- Twenty to fifty-year-old Douglas-fir stands in the Tillamook State Forest have decreased in productivity. Some stands are not producing annual growth rings, with some missing up to eight years of annual increment. There has also been a documented decrease in the size of annual growth rings and shift in their composition. The amount of springwood is often less than twenty percent of the growth ring, and up to eighty percent is summerwood. Summerwood growth stores less water, making trees more vulnerable to landscape wildfire events and drought-induced mortality.
- Numerous Douglas-fir trees above the age of eighty years are dead, particularly surrounding Hebo, OR. These dead trees become explosive "Roman candle fireworks" during wildfires. Furthermore, they no longer provide deep leaf canopies, lichens, and mosses that previously supported nesting sites for both marbled murrelets and spotted owls. During tours of the Tillamook State Forest, public agency forest pathologists were frustrated that they were not included in discussions regarding endangered species habitat set asides on public forests. Many public agency wildlife biologists were not



aware of the prevalence of older dead Douglas-fir when establishing wildlife habitat set asides.

- As documented by Oregon Department of Forestry staff, Douglas-fir trees in riparian areas that should be growing as Site I trees are now growing as Site IV trees. The chance for these Douglas-fir to contribute large woody debris for stream structure and function is now unlikely. Future habitat for Coho, trout, Chinook, and salamanders in these riparian areas will diminish.

Research by the Vegetation Management Research Cooperative (OSU) over the last 20 years has shown that plant species including salmonberry, ferns, salal and invasive weeds store many times less carbon than conifer forests of the same age. In the absence of active forest management, landscape fires and conifer diseases such as Swiss Needle Cast are altering forest stands into brush and herbaceous dominated landscapes. Currently Oregon is a carbon neutral state, but the transition of mature forests into brush and weeds may shift our future carbon status to net positive.

We have attached photos at the end of this document of a Swiss Needle Cast Tour we did twenty plus years ago on the Tillamook State Forest, illustrating the points in our letter regarding the devastating effects of this foliage disease on Douglas Fir forests.

The last two pages of black and white photos were taken by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife employee, Woody Holderman. Woody passed away several years ago and was a good friend of Mark's. He left him with several photos of stream and river cleaning he supervised in the Tillamook State Forest years after the Tillamook Burn. The stream cleaning was meant to enhance fish passage for Coho, Chinook, and Trout. Note the effects the Tillamook Burn had on riparian vegetation.

## **Bullet Point #2: Funding for Oregon Department of Forestry**

With the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan, harvest from state forests will drastically decrease, causing a reduction in revenue and funding for multiple programs. The Tillamook State Forest, among other state forests, will likely be forced to lay off forest management and administrative staff. This represents a great loss, as these staff members are trained to provide administrative infrastructure in case of a landscape wildfire. They also administer initial attack when wildfire breaks out. The lack of harvest revenue introduces a funding gap for resources such as aircraft, fire engines, chainsaws, bulldozers, hoses, hand tools and labor crews with the necessary training to suppress wildfire.

Additionally, harvest produces funding for infrastructure improvement and development. Road infrastructure is very much needed for fire access and protection, recreation, and forest management activity.

The Tillamook State Forest in particular, is susceptible to significant rainfall and flooding events every ten to fifteen years. More than a decade ago many bridges and roadside culverts were no longer functioning and had to be replaced. The cost of repair was in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

### **Bullet Point #3: Fire History and Tillamook State Forest**

The Tillamook State Forest has a long history of landscape wildfires including the Tillamook Burn and the Hebo Burn from 1933 through 1951. The Tillamook fire began on August 14, 1933 in Forest Grove, when temperatures reached 104° F with a humidity of 20%. These extreme conditions are likely to occur again in today's climate. Without active and dynamic forest management, overstocked forest stands are prime candidates for explosive landscape fires. Managed, thinned stands throughout the western United States fared much better during catastrophic fire events. Low density managed stands also serve as defensible places for firefighting personnel.

Landscape wildfires kill endangered wildlife species, reduce forage for large ungulates, reduce large woody structures in streams and rivers, and decrease habitat for pollinators, salamanders, and river beavers.

Smoke in large communities like Portland will become much more common and long-lasting. Hospitals will need more rooms and staffing for those with constant smoke exposure. Wildfire smoke is a health hazard not only to wildland fire fighters but to the public as well. The Tillamook State Forest is ripe for a landscape wildfire event. Rural coastal communities and large cities like Portland (only fifty miles away) will experience more smoke intrusions in the future.

More pressing still is the reality that following devastating wildfire, many areas lack the resources to rebuild and recover. The communities that are most susceptible are often low-income rural communities. The devastation in these regions has the potential to be long lasting, influencing multiple generations.

### **Bullet Point #4: Community Economic Impact**

The current Private Forestry Accord is projected to reduce the Oregon forest harvest level by 60 million board feet. The proposed Habitat Conservation Plan Oregon poses an additional loss of 60 - 80 million board feet from harvest on Oregon state forests. One plywood manufacturing facility uses 35-40 million board feet annually. One sawmill uses 90 million board feet annually. Between the Private Forestry Accord and the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan we expect 6 to 10 manufacturing facilities will shut down in Oregon.

Shutdowns like these have devastating effects on Oregon's rural communities. With the recent shut down of the Hampton Lumber mill in Banks Oregon, 58 well-paying jobs were lost. Hampton Lumber in Banks, Oregon supported the community of Banks with its payroll to its employees and through property tax payments which help fund school districts, fire protection and public works. The state of Oregon should embrace and support these communities.

Does the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan consider the economic impact on our rural communities? Are we going to import wood to support the increasing demand for housing and commercial buildings? Not only does that remove domestic income, but it introduces timber from regions that do not have the sustainable forest management policies that we do.

## **Bullet Point #5: Closing Thoughts**

With the loss of active and dynamic forest management due to the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan, overstocked and diseased forests will burn. Landscape wildfire will devastate our coastal forests and coastal rural communities much like the Tillamook Burn of 1933 did. As foresters who have worked in this region for decades, we know that with the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan and lack of management, the Tillamook State Forest will burn again.

The Oregon Board of Forestry and the governing bodies for the state of Oregon must consider the impact of the health of our forests, the health of our rural communities and consequences of the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan for the entire state of Oregon.

Karla, thank you for allowing us to share our thoughts with you!

Very best regards,

Milt Moran

President, Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc.

And

Mark Gourley

Forester, Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc.

**SWISS NEEDLE CAST  
COOPERATIVE TOUR  
SPRING 1998**





BLACK DOTS ON UNDERSIDE OF DOUGLAS FIR  
NEEDLES ARE FRUITING BODIES WHICH  
RELEASE SPORES



BRANCH DEPICTING NEEDLE LOSS.  
MOST NEEDLES ARE GONE EXCEPT  
LAST YEAR'S GROWTH ON TIPS OF BRANCH





EARLY SUMMER MORNING DEW  
ON DOUGLAS FIR CAN  
STIMULATE SPORE RELEASE



DISTANT VIEW OF 125± YEAR OLD  
DOUGLAS FIR STAND WITH  
SWISS NEEDLE CAST



CLOSE UP OF 125± YEAR OLD  
DOUGLAS FIR TREES WITH  
SWISS NEEDLE CAST



TWENTY YEAR DOUGLAS FIR STAND



DISCOLORATION SIX YEAR DOUGLAS FIR STAND



HEALTHY EIGHT YEAR DOUGLAS FIR STAND





Kilchis Rv.



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-Kilchis Rv.

Kilchis River, July  
1964



JUL 64

Kilchis Rv.



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Kilchis Rv.

Crane operator  
J. Welding



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Kilchis Rv.

J. Welding, operator

JUL 64



Kilchis Rv.

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Kilchis Rv.

JAN 1965



Aerial view Kilchis Rv. jam after

After cleanup, January 1965



# Clatsop County

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March 4, 2024

To: Cal Mukumoto, State Forester, Oregon Department of Forestry  
Oregon Board of Forestry Members  
Federal Services Representatives

From: Clatsop County Board of Commissioners

Subject: *DRAFT WESTERN OREGON STATE FOREST HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN  
(HCP) – COUNTY REQUEST FOR NEW EIS AND PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS*

The Clatsop County Board of Commissioners has been unanimous in support of an HCP for the western Oregon state forests; and has repeatedly requested the Department of Forestry actively engage with local public officials and District forestry staff to develop a balanced, equitable, fair, and legally defensible HCP that serves environmental, economic and social interests.

It is our understanding, based on publicly available information, that substantive changes have been made to the underlying data and assumptions used to formulate the current draft HCP. Based on publicly available information, we are of the opinion the modifications (in-total) are substantive enough to warrant another draft EIS and public comment process.

Although not a complete representation, the following highlights some of the changes that have occurred since the original release of the draft HCP:

- *The Red Tree Vole has been determined to not warrant additional protections as a covered species.* This impacts the no action alternative, where it was assumed that starting in 2023, there would be a significant rise in covered species primarily as a result of the Spotted Owl and Red Tree Vole. This has already proven to not be the case and instead of additional acres being encumbered by threatened and endangered species there are actually opportunities to free up already encumbered acres having the reverse affect of the assumptions made in the no action alternative.
- *New models have been subsequently established, with new outputs.* The new models have effectively changed the volume for harvest across all the alternatives. The lower volume estimates increase the social and economic impacts – beyond what was captured in the original draft HCP.
  - The downward volume adjustments were not equally applied across all alternatives, as the various alternatives had harvest occurring at different ages and the age of harvest was one of the changes to the model. This impacts how the harvest units

were chosen; thus, changing the environmental impacts within individual watersheds and across the Districts.

- Assumptions listed with modeling results make it clear that key pieces of information that will dramatically change the numbers are still outstanding. Of most importance among them being a change in available acres within the non-HCA areas. This will increase the social impact to these areas specific to alternatives with HCAs.
- New models show that the 70-year commitment to existing habitat has already been met. This information should have informed options whereby habitat acreage could be removed from the models and the economic impacts on ODF and local taxing jurisdictions minimized.
- ODF is struggling to achieve the lower volumes within the new model outputs. Model outputs depend on extensive harvests within the HCAs for the first thirty (30) years. Planned harvest to date do not show this increased harvest within the HCAs. Assurances in public meetings have been made that “sometime” in the next few years harvests will dramatically increase, but no evidence of this has been shown to date.
- ODF is on the record stating the geo-region model that was used for the original model is not viable.
- New Stream data from the Private Forest Accord indicates the underlying data used for the HCP is no longer accurate, nor represents the best available science. This data could alter the stream buffers, which impacts the overall landscape dedicated to conservation vs. production.
- Oregon Department of Forestry is on record stating the HCP will impact the solvency of the state agency. Alternative funding sources, approved by the legislature, will be required to pay for general operating expenses (formerly paid by timber revenue).
  - This changes how ODF funding is described in Chapter 9.
  - This also impacts the analysis of social impact, due to the opportunity cost of a State General Fund bailout. Dedication of state discretionary revenues (General Fund) will reduce revenues available for other priority services and service levels (i.e. housing, homelessness, addiction treatment, public safety, etc.).
  - Chapter 9 currently states ODF is primarily funded by timber sales. It further describes that to fully implement the HCP will only take around seven (7) full time staff. However, this ignores all of the staff that is laying out, administering, and replanting timber sales. The seven staff cannot be paid without these other staff members doing their job. These staff members are all specialists and not field personnel. The work on the HCP will be performed in the field and not in the office. Therefore, it will require more than the noted staff compliment.
  - Without showing the funding for the HCP, the Department of Forestry is not meeting a key requirement of all HCPs.
- ODF is pursuing an HCP through the Forest Resource Unit that will cover Coho. This HCP may be completed prior to the Northwest Oregon State Forest Plan and will likely have significantly lower cost.
- ODF should have a new inventory that will change the numbers related to volume and habitat across the entire plan area (is overdue for completion). The HCP should be informed by the most recent data available.
- Multiple additional changes have been insinuated in public meetings since the release of the last public draft.

- Additional issues that are not covered by the modeling scenarios that are greatly weighted towards the Non-HCA areas of the landscape.
  - Property line issues
  - Scenic Highways
  - In-operable areas (access restricted)

The entire HCP process is intended to thoughtfully consider a range of costs/benefits and balance environmental, economic and social concerns. As the underlying data and assumptions have been substantially modified, the Clatsop County Board of Commissioners respectfully requests a new EIS and public comment process. The Board of Commissioners are committed to an HCP, but are unwavering in our commitment to a plan that is balanced, equitable, fair and legally defensible.

Please consider our request for a new EIS and public comment process.

Respectfully,



Mark Kujala, Chair  
Clatsop County Board of Commissioners



TINA KOTEK  
GOVERNOR

March 5, 2024

Oregon Board of Forestry  
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Karla Chambers, Member

Ben Deumling, Member  
Chandra Ferrari, Member  
Joe Justice, Member  
Brenda McComb, Member

RE: Westside Forest Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP)

Dear Members of the Board:

This is certainly a difficult week for each of you serving on the Board as you decide whether the State Forester should finalize and submit the proposed HCP for Oregon's westside forests. After years of controversy, complex considerations, and hours of contentious meetings, there is no clear consensus on the pathway forward. Sometimes this posture is simply where tough decisions reside, and the best that can be done is to make a decision and move forward. I believe this is one of those moments. Regardless of your position on this issue, I want to thank you for your service and continued work.

Parallel with your work on the HCP itself, my office has followed through on the commitment I made last April to investigate whether and how we might alleviate the fiscal impact to Trust Land Counties from reduced harvest levels anticipated under an HCP. That work with representatives of the counties continues, but I want you to know that I see a viable pathway forward to address the estimated reduction in timber receipts that would result from implementing the anticipated HCP. Should the HCP go forward at your direction, I am committed to continuing this work with the expectation of bringing a proposal to the 2025 legislative session to permanently address the estimated shortfall.

To be clear, I also understand addressing the projected shortfall in direct payments does not mitigate the indirect economic impacts that may also result from harvest reductions on state-owned forests along with a host of other causes. While this has not been the focus of our ongoing conversations with the county representatives, I am interested in working with those who are interested to discuss ideas for addressing this challenge as well.

Again, thank you for your time, patience, and persistence as a member of the Board of Forestry.

Sincerely,

Governor Tina Kotek

cc: State Forester Cal Mukumoto, Oregon Department of Forestry  
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## **RE: March 2024 Board of Forestry Meeting Written Comments – Agenda Item 7**

Chair Kelly and Board of Forestry Members:

I am writing on behalf of Hampton Lumber to strongly urge you to reject the recommendation in the staff report for Agenda Item 7. The Board should instead direct Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) staff to amend the draft Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) to increase harvest levels and improve economic outcomes while protecting sensitive species and clean water.

You have repeatedly heard from Oregonians across the state about their concerns over the impacts the HCP will have on rural communities and the wood products industry. We feel that there is only one acceptable choice – make the necessary changes to the draft HCP to balance conservation goals with social and economic outcomes. There are many ways to do this without negative consequences to the covered species.

The proposed HCP will cost the counties billions of dollars in direct and indirect revenues over the next 70 years and drastically reduce timber supply in Northwest Oregon for generations. Any plan that results in a 34% reduction in timber harvests and thousands of lost jobs is bad public policy and bad for rural Oregon.

We have heard some people refer to this draft as a “compromise”. As reported on February 26, 2024, by [The Daily Astorian](#), *“I’ve heard from the conservationists that they think this is a good plan and they can support it. The other, more prominent view is that I’m hearing largely that we need an HCP, but just not this HCP,”* Mukumoto said, adding that he’s taking both views into consideration as he prepares a recommendation. A compromise is when both parties have to make concessions the outcome lies somewhere in the middle. It is clear that this is a one-sided plan and that those asking for a balance have been ignored -- full stop.

It is truly a disservice to Oregonians to have listened to their outpouring of concerns for years to conclude that no changes are warranted. There are numerous amendments ODF could make to the draft HCP that would bring much needed improvements without jeopardizing the likelihood of the HCP being approved by the Federal Services or significantly delaying the process. For ODF and the Board to ignore those options and heartfelt pleas is extremely discouraging.

You have the option to reject this recommendation and direct staff to amend the draft HCP to improve harvest and economic outcomes. We ask you to do so.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laura Wilkeson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Laura Wilkeson  
State Forest Policy Director  
Hampton Lumber



March 1, 2024

Submitted to boardofforestry@odf.oregon.gov.

**RE: Board of Forestry March 7 Agenda item 7. State Forester Recommendation Regarding State Forest draft Habitat Conservation Plan for Western Oregon.**

Please see below 1,061 names of Oregonians who have sent letters to the Oregon Department of Forestry and the Oregon Board of Forestry urging for better balance in the Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conservation Plan. A summary of their comments can be found below.

- The current draft HCP falls significantly short of reaching the twin goals on which the plan was advanced: improving both conservation and economic outcomes on state forestlands.
- It sacrifices rural Oregon communities – jobs and dollars needed to support local services -- in the effort to protect the spotted owl and other threatened species.
- We already know so-called set-aside “solutions” proposed within this plan don’t work to save the spotted owl, but we do know they cost jobs.
- The plan sets aside 55% of forestland for habitat, leaving less than half of the forest for active management. No other HCP on the West Coast requires this much land to be set aside for habitat.
- Putting huge swaths of forestlands off limits to harvest or other activities hurts nearby communities considerably and creates unhealthy forests that contribute to catastrophic megafires.
- The Oregon Board of Forestry advanced a Habitat Conservation Plan based on inaccurate data — data that over projected state timber harvest by more than 30%. We now know this decision will unnecessarily cost timber dependent counties millions of dollars in lost revenue every year.
- The reduced harvest levels will also require the Legislature allocate up to \$30 million per biennium in General Fund dollars to subsidize the Department’s operating budget – which has always been sustainably self-funded through timber revenue.
- Please send the Habitat Conservation Plan back to the drawing board to achieve a better balance of conservation AND economic outcomes.

We ask that you please hear their request and vote **NOT to advance the current draft HCP.**

Sara Duncan  
Oregon Forests Forever

*Oregon Forests Forever is growing statewide coalition of individuals, organizations and businesses – led by the Oregon Forest Industries Council — who support active, sustainable management of Oregon’s forests.*





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**Submitted online:** Wed. 2/28/2024

**Subject:** State Forester Recommendation Regarding State Forest draft Habitat Conservation Plan for Western Oregon

**Message:**

A few hundred years ago, much of the what is now the United States was covered in forest, from the Atlantic to the Mississippi, across the Rocky Mountains and west of the Cascades. Only a fraction remains of that vast heat and carbon sink with its abundant habitat and clear water. The rest has been cleared for wood, farmland and development. The financial wealth obtainable from the forest has blinded us to the more profound wealth that it provided to the Earth and all of its creatures.

Even now, with climate change in full swing, objections are raised from those who profit financially from the forest when any attempt is made to preserve even a fraction of the remaining fraction of the natural forest. All of the money and value that has already been removed is still not enough, and for some will never be enough.

A diverse, mature forest is far healthier and far more resistant to fire, but clearcutting is cheaper and easier. So we replace healthy forests and habitat with dense stands of young, single species and then wring our hands when they become diseased or burn. Ironically, the proposed cure is to cut down still more mature trees.

Can't we, here and now, acknowledge what has been lost and determine to protect a large enough part of what remains to begin moving toward balance? Please! Pass a strong Habitat Conservation Plan.

Roger Rocka

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Astoria, OR 97103



**OREGON SENATE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS  
OREGON HOUSE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS**

March 5, 2024

**Via Electronic Mail**

The Honorable Tina Kotek  
Office of the Governor  
900 Court Street NE, Suite 254  
Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Governor Kotek,

The Oregon House and Senate Republican Caucuses urge for the immediate reconsideration of the Oregon Department of Forestry's (ODF) proposed Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). This 70-year forest policy does not support a balance between economic, environmental, and social benefits to all Oregonians.

While we generally support the intent of an HCP and reasonable conservation measures, we want to ensure our forests continue to be valuable economic and societal resources for our communities. In short, we are opposed to burdensome HCP measures that will knowingly have negative impacts on our communities for the next several decades.

While ODF has previously signaled its intent to balance conservation goals while maintaining current harvest levels, the newest projections released on December 13, 2023<sup>1</sup>, visibly show a dramatic increase in conservation acres and a major decrease in timber harvest levels below what was promised. ODF advertised this HCP as a conservation plan with harvest certainty of about 250 mmbf (board feet) annually<sup>2</sup>. The new projections show that timber harvest will be down between 168-185 mmbf annually. Obviously, this 70-year plan is heavy on conservation and light on economic viability which is not in alignment with Greatest Permanent Value.

On average, about 240-250 million board feet of timber have been harvested from Oregon's western state forests over the last 5-10 years<sup>3</sup>. 64% of the revenue from state harvests goes back to the counties and smaller "taxing districts" within them – an average of nearly \$68 million each year during the last decade. For reference, 250 million board feet of timber is equivalent to 32,500 average-size homes – almost the number of homes Governor

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/board/documents/fmp-hcp/fmp-modeled-outputs-report.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/board/Documents/ftlac/ODF-HCP-BCA%20Final%20Report.pdf>

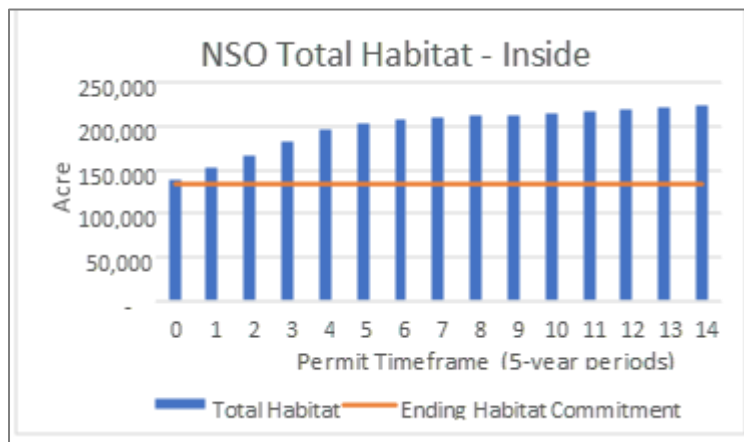
<sup>3</sup> <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/Documents/workingforests/cftlc-annual-report-2023.pdf>

Kotek wants produced annually. 250mmbf also creates or retains 2,750 jobs per the Oregon Forests Resources Institute<sup>4</sup>.

This HCP coupled with ODF's Forest Management Plan will reduce that revenue by \$28-53 million annually, depending on which harvest scenario they implement<sup>5</sup>.

Not only will counties lose critical funding but mill closures and mass job losses will continue to cause a ripple effect through Oregon's rural communities contributing to more homelessness, drug addiction, and the need for public services. Communities surrounded by forests – especially unmanaged forests – need fire departments to protect them from forest fires. Fire Departments relying on timber harvest revenue to operate will suffer or be forced to close. This leaves our vulnerable communities defenseless.

Additionally, we are very concerned with our water and air quality, especially during fire season. This HCP will leave much of our state forests without management; 70 years of fuel accumulation increases the risk of fire and fire severity. Forest fire smoke already fills our air every year and the debris, ash, and mud destroy waterways. The cleanest groundwater comes from our forests before, during, and after forest operations. Children are choking on smoke during sporting events while the elderly hide inside their homes to survive our fire seasons. The unintended consequences of this HCP will increase the potential for more catastrophic forest fires, smoke, and poor water quality.



Oregon's Department of Forestry has added approximately 100,000 acres of conservation above what is required for the HCP. (*Northern Spotted Owl habitat is shown in ODF's graph but does not include the Marbled Murrelet, Red Tree Vole, or Coho Salmon habitat that are also being set aside*)

Scientists at local and international levels, including the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), recognize the climate benefits of managed forests, timber harvest, and wood products. Managed forests with sustained harvests provide the largest sustained climate mitigation benefit. According to IPCC's 4th Assessment (2018)<sup>6</sup>:

<sup>4</sup> <https://oregonforests.org/forest-benefits>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/board/bof/20240103-bof-record-item-09.pdf>

*"In the long term, a sustainable forest management strategy aimed at maintaining or increasing forest carbon stocks, while producing an annual sustained yield of timber, fiber or energy from the forest, will generate the largest sustained mitigation benefit."*

ODF's report from December 13, 2023, even shows that more carbon is stored in the forest and in wood products in the scenarios that harvest the most volume.

We understand your priorities as Governor include homelessness, affordable housing, drug addiction, and forest fires. The HCP will exacerbate these issues. Alternatively, opening our forests to proper and sustainable management would help mitigate these issues and provide the necessary renewable wood products and building materials to address our housing crisis.

ODF will be in the same situation as the Trust Land Counties regarding the loss of timber harvest revenue. Taxpayers will be asked to foot the bill while mills close, logging companies auction off their equipment, our constituents lose their jobs, county services are strained, schools close, 4-H programs are canceled, libraries are closed, and emergency services are compromised.

For these reasons, we oppose the Western Habitat Conservation Plan. The Board of Forestry should reject the recommendation from the State Forester and instead, direct ODF to significantly amend the HCP to improve harvest and economic outcomes by any means necessary.

Respectfully,



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Senate Republican Leader, District 27



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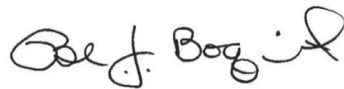
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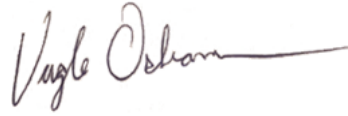
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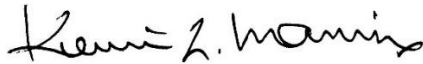
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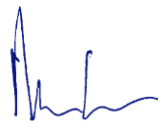
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**Submitted online:** Wed. 3/6/2024

**Subject:** Testimony for Habitat Conservation Plan Decision

**Message:**

TO: Oregon Board of Forestry

From: T. Steen

RE: Support for Oregon's Habitat Conservation Plan

Hello, I am Professor Steen. My background involves several advanced degrees, including a Ph.D. from Yale. I've spent over 45 years teaching courses in forest ecology and the principle of sustainability at Portland State University. I've done region wide documentation of forest management, including the serious environmental damage caused by the ODF logging of Homesteader Sale's area 2.

I write to support continuing and completing the current planning process for the HCP that will facilitate future State Forest planning and operations. The present substantial HCA planning effort has involved considerable staff time and public input involvement, and it needs to be brought to completion. I deeply appreciate the substantial skilled efforts of the ODF staff as they have developed the present plan which applies the best available science, a plan that makes significant gains for environmental protections. I especially appreciate the biodiversity implications of the HCP process, as I have pressed the ODF to improve its biodiversity protections for decades.

As I understand it, restarting the process as urged by the timber industry would represent significant losses of staff time as well as cause important delays for the development of a much needed plan. Volume of logs produced by state forests is not the only criterion that needs to guide forest management.

THE "GREATEST PERMANENT VALUE RULE" NEEDS TO BETTER INFLUENCE THE BOARD OF FORESTRY AND ODF IN THE CURRENT CONTEXT. To quote a relevant portion of the GPV rule, which defines what management practices must involve: **"(d)Consider the landscape context; (e)Be based on the best science available; and (f)Incorporate an adaptive management approach that applies new management practices and techniques as new scientific information and results of monitoring become available."** The present Habitat Conservation Plan is a fundamentally important step in meeting the above Greatest Permanent Value features. I urge you to proceed with the current planning process without delay.

Thank you for your attention to the above thoughts.



# STAND TALL | OREGON

Dear Chair Kelly and Members of the Board of Forestry,

I'm writing to ask you to continue your support for a strong Western Oregon State Forest Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). The HCP restores balance to our state forests after decades of clearcuts and over-harvest. The HCP protects iconic salmon runs, wildlife habitat, recreation, and clean water while ensuring more ecologically sustainable levels of timber harvest. Now is the time to finalize the HCP and ensure that Oregon's state forests are managed for multiple values.

The state forester has completed the state forest listening sessions and heard from hundreds of Oregonians supporting a strong HCP and a new Forest Management Plan based on sound ecological forestry, not just timber production. Thousands more have commented to you over the past year in support of the HCP.

While the timber industry is blaming recent mill closures on the HCP, we know the truth. Recent mill closures are due to high log prices, modernizing mills, closing aging mills and reducing labor costs. Any possible future harvest reductions in state forests are a tiny percentage of overall timber harvest in Oregon.

The HCP is based on science and has been developed with years of extensive public input. The courts have affirmed the Board of Forestry's responsibility to manage state forests for multiple benefits, including fish and wildlife habitat, clean water, recreation and forestry. Now is the time to step up for Oregon's state forests, and for current and future generations, by adopting a strong HCP.

The path forward is clear. Oregon Board of Forestry, please stand tall for Oregon's state forests by finalizing the State Forest HCP.

Thank you for all of your work.

Sincerely,

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