

DSL by the Numbers

Oregon Department of State Lands



Fiscal Year 2018 (July 1, 2017–June 30, 2018)

The State Land Board was created by the Oregon Constitution in 1859 and has been composed of the Governor, Secretary of State, and State Treasurer since its inception. DSL serves as the administrative arm of the Board, managing land and other resources dedicated to the Common School Fund for K-12 education.

In 1957 the Legislature passed the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act and assigned the Land Board and DSL the responsibility of safeguarding lost financial assets until claimed by rightful owners.

Beginning in 1967, DSL began implementing the state’s removal-fill law which protects natural waterways and wetlands for purposes of navigation, fisheries, commerce and recreation. The agency assumed Oregon’s wetlands conservation program as a result of the 1989 Wetlands Conservation Act.

The agency has two divisions and serves as the state partner for the South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve in Charleston, the first of 28 reserves throughout the United States.

In the 2017-19 biennium, DSL had 107 employees:

Administration Division: 43 staff (Business Operations and Support Services – 30; Trust Property – 13)

Director’s Office: 4 staff

Operations Division: 44 staff (Aquatic Resource Management – 32; Real Property – 14)

South Slough Reserve: 16 staff

The agency’s 2017-19 approved biennial budget was \$75.6 million. No General Funds are used for operations, only Other Funds and Federal Funds.

Agency Mission:

To ensure a Common School Fund legacy through sound management of our trust responsibilities and the protection of waters of the state.

Common School Fund

\$1.62 Billion Market Value as of June 30, 2018

Distribution to Schools	Operating Revenues	Operating Expenses	Change in Fund Value
\$57,631,708	\$9,328,306	\$36,080,700	\$80,286,861



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Real Property

Estimated total value of Common School Fund land assets: \$548 million

Total number of active authorizations on Common School Fund lands: 581

Rangelands/Ag Lands **627,916 acres**
Gross revenues \$1,379,208

Forestlands **121,079 acres**
Gross revenues \$2,015,192

Industrial/Commercial/Residential **6,809 acres**
Gross revenues \$1,296,932

Special Stewardship Lands **13,166 acres**
Gross revenues \$22,178

Mineral and Energy Resources **766,983 acres**
Gross revenues \$242,907

Land Sales **118 acres**
Gross revenues \$254,056
No. of sales 2

Trust Property

Unclaimed Property
Gross receipts \$67,525,724
Claims paid \$34,263,207
No. of claims paid 19,008

Estates Administration
No. of estates handled 980
Funds pending permanent escheat to Common School Fund \$8,797,201

Aquatic Resource Management

Removal-Fill Permits **503**
Individual Permits 338
General Permits 57
Placer Mining Authorizations 1
Other General Authorizations 83
Emergency Authorizations 24
Permit fees \$419,084

Wetland Delineation Reports **332**
Report fees \$136,913

Wetland Determinations **330**
Wetland Land Use Notices **639**

Wetland Mitigation Banks
No. of approved banks 27
No. of credits available (6-30-18) 431.4
No. of credits sold in FY 2018 32

Removal-Fill Mitigation Fund
No. of permits using program 17
Credits sold 3.74
Funds collected \$403,893

State-Owned Waterways **1,264,558 acres**
No. of active authorizations 4,854
Gross revenues \$3,157,943

South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve

No. of acres managed 5,927
No. of research projects 34
No. of education/interp. programs 121
No. of training workshops 7
No. of program participants 5,728
No. of visitors at interp. center 4,785



Oregon's Constitution directs the State Land Board to manage state trust lands to generate revenue for Oregon public schools.



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