



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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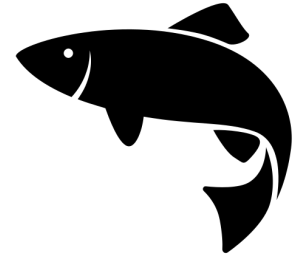
## **Comment Opportunity: Proposed Updates to the Essential Salmonid Habitat Map**

*The map identifies streams where removing or adding materials likely requires a state permit*

The Department of State Lands (DSL) is seeking comments on proposed updates to Oregon's map of essential habitat for salmonid fish species. The comment period is open from **January 13 – February 12, 2025**.

### **Why is the habitat map important?**

Created with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife data, the "essential salmonid habitat" map identifies streams where fish like Chinook salmon and steelhead trout lay eggs and where young fish grow. To help protect this habitat, a removal-fill permit is usually required for placing riprap, installing culverts, and other activities that remove or add any materials in those streams.



### **What updates are proposed?**

We are updating the map to reflect ODFW habitat data. Statewide, an estimated 113 additional stream miles will now be designated as essential habitat and an estimated 12 stream miles will be removed. This change from 2023 to 2025 represents less than a 1% change to the overall 22,000+ stream miles of essential habitat.

GIS data steadily becomes more accurate as ODFW continues to improve their field mapping and verification process. Overall mileage on the same segment of stream may be impacted year-to-year by this higher level of detail and accuracy.

View the updated map and other information about the proposed changes on [DSL's essential salmonid habitat web page](#).

### **How to Comment**

Comments may be emailed to [DSL.Comments@dsl.oregon.gov](mailto:DSL.Comments@dsl.oregon.gov) or mailed to DSL (Attn: ESH Map) at 775 Summer Street NE, Suite 100, Salem, OR 97301. The comment deadline is Wednesday, February 12, 2025.

***Does your comment include a proposed edit to the map?** Edits may be proposed anytime using the [Review Request Form](#). Proposed edits should correct map inaccuracies – for example, if the mapping does not reflect current on-the-ground conditions, or if there is a new barrier that prevents fish from reaching an area.*

### **Join the Essential Salmonid Habitat Map Mailing List**

The email list is used to provide information about proposed map updates and other essential salmonid habitat information. [Join the email list](#).

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