



Western Oregon State Forests HCP

Meeting Begins at 1 p.m.

June 12, 2019

Broadway Commons, Salem, OR



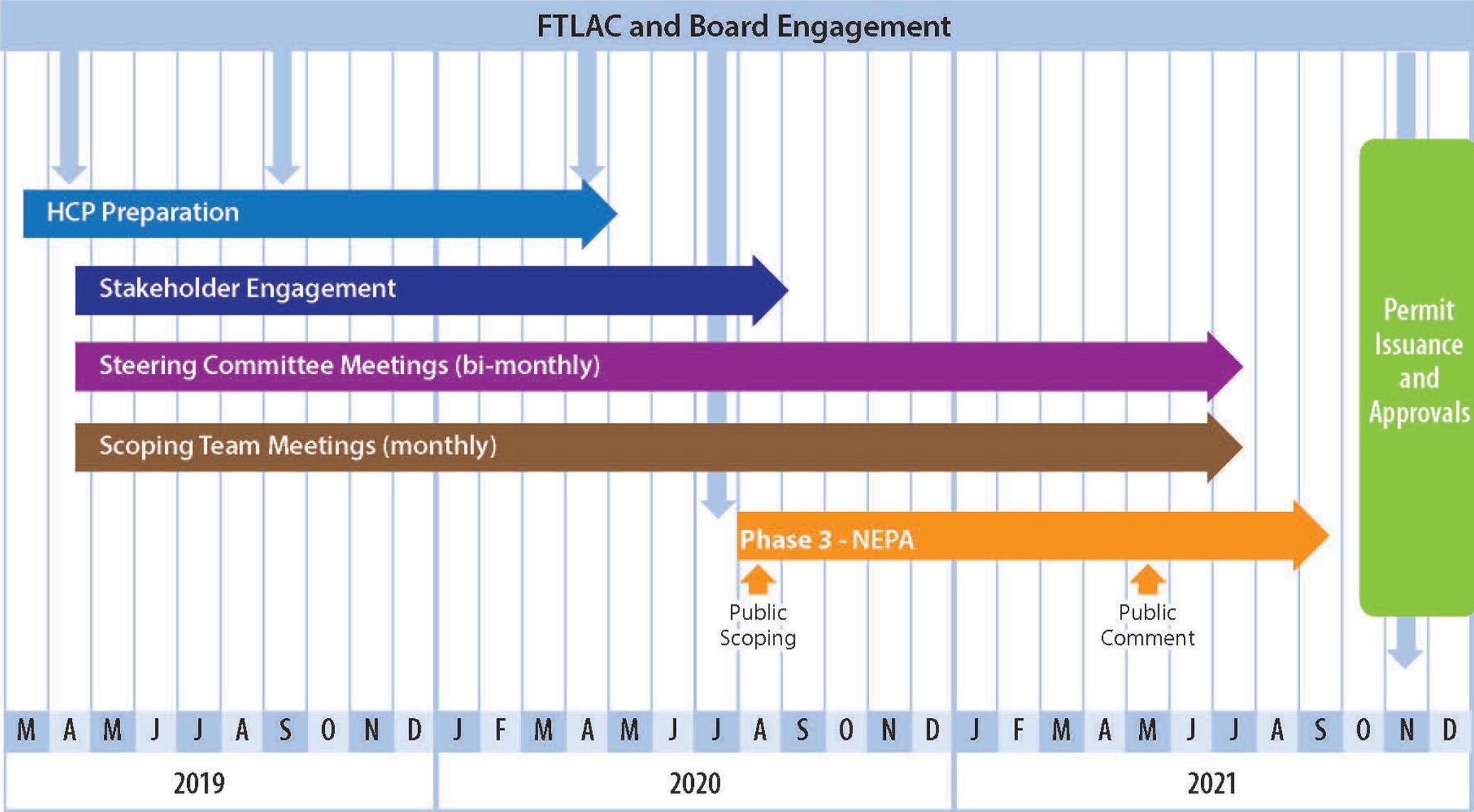
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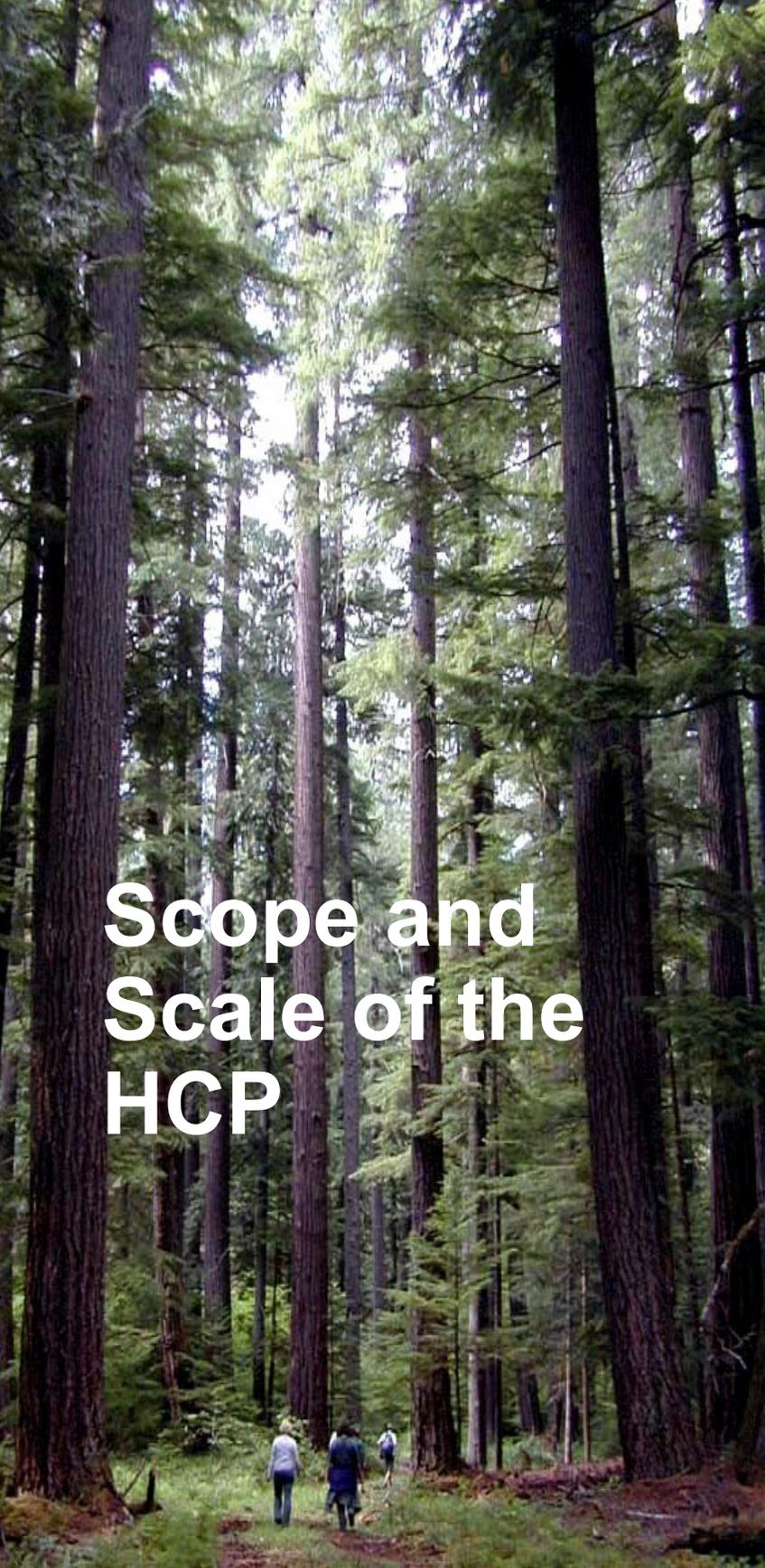


Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions**
- 2. Update on HCP Process**
- 3. Overview of HCP
Mission, Vision, Goals**
- 4. Stakeholder Engagement
and Communications Plan**
- 5. Meet-n-Greet**

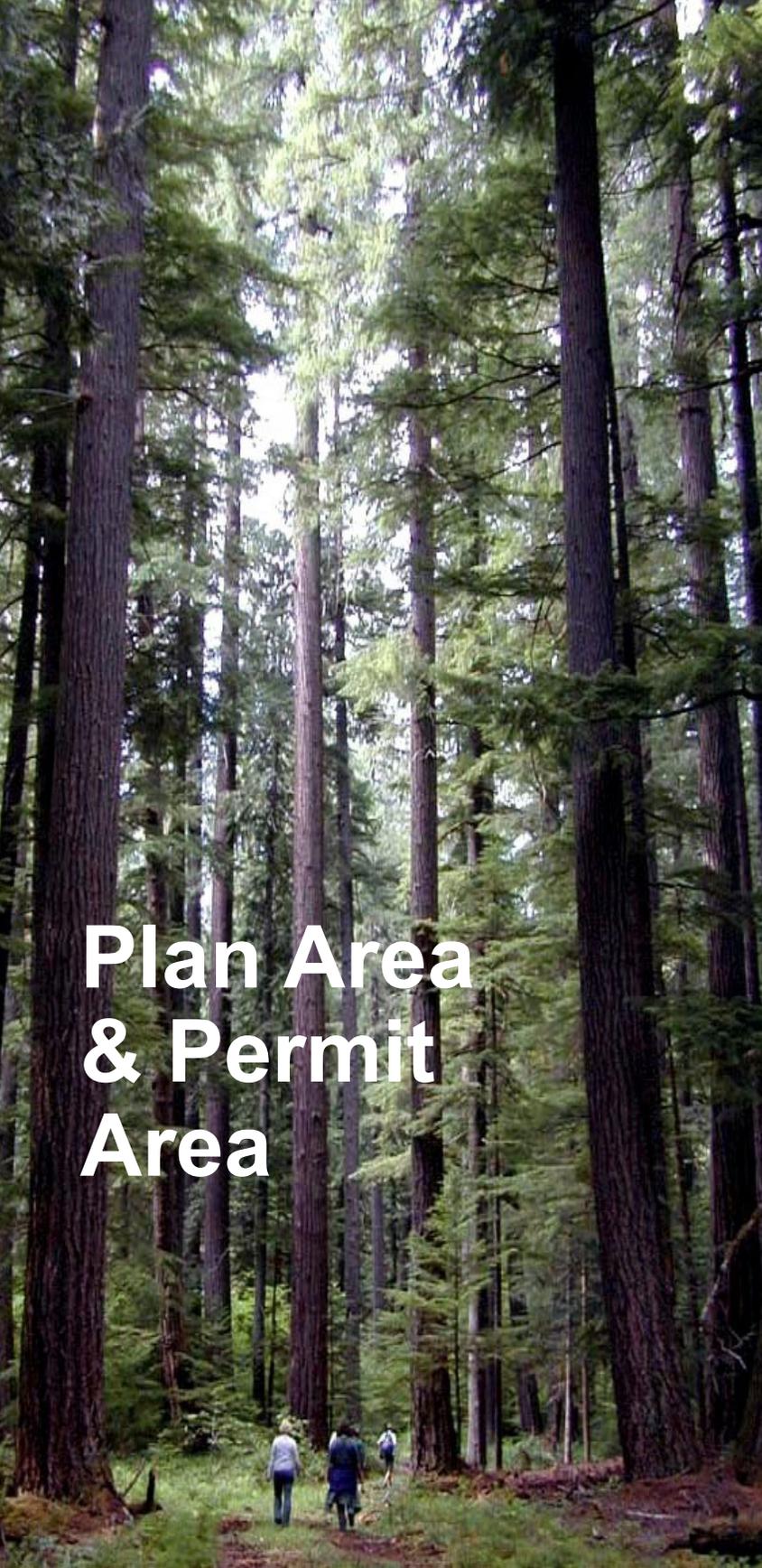
HCP Process Timeline





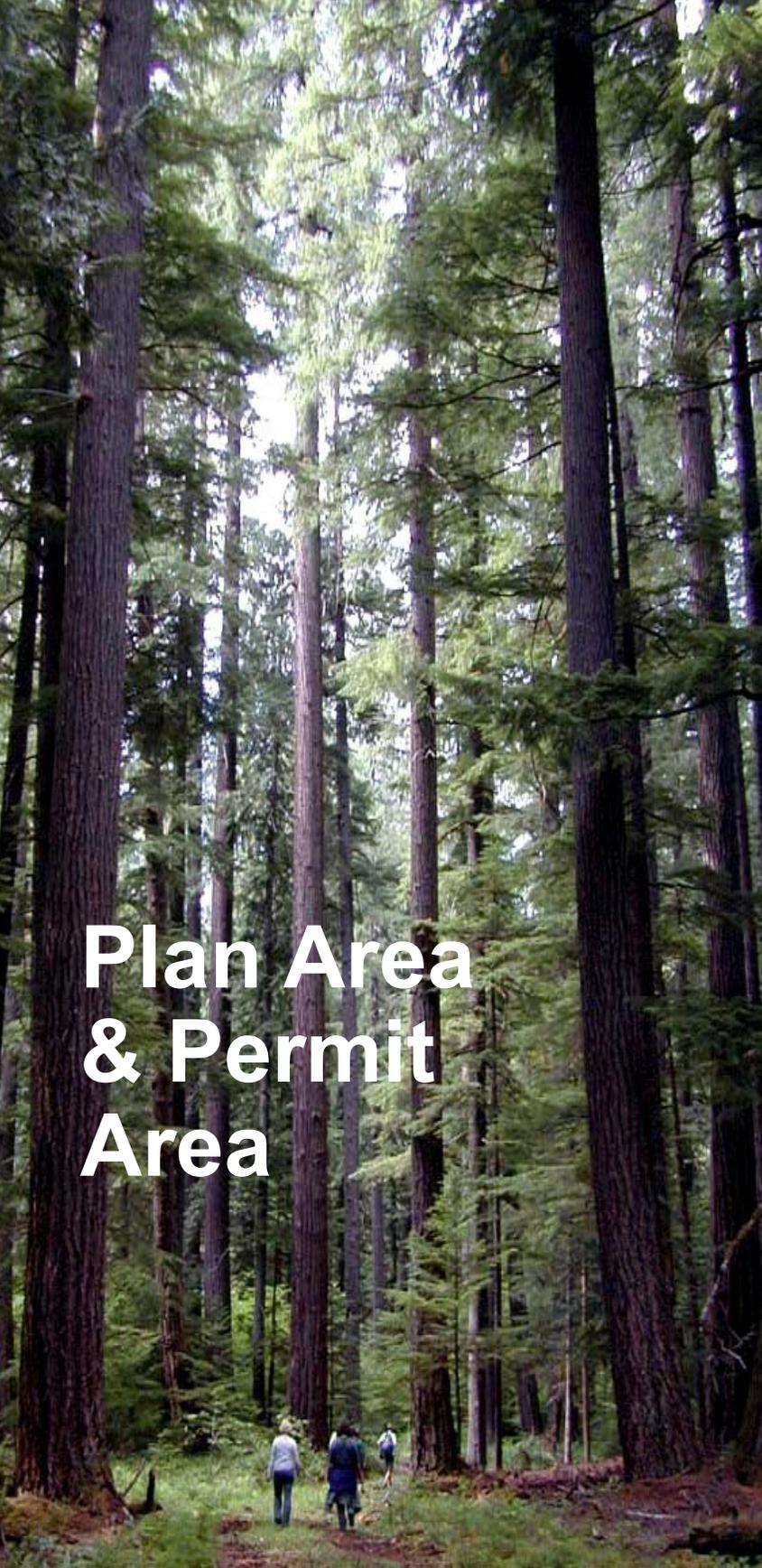
Scope and Scale of the HCP

- **Geographic Coverage**
- **Permit Term**
- **Covered Activities**
- **Covered Species**



Plan Area & Permit Area

- **Covers all ODF managed lands**
- **Includes Board of Forestry and Common School Lands**
- **Plan Area includes areas where land acquisitions or land transfers might occur**
- **Permit Area (ODF Managed Lands) = 635,000**
- **Plan Area = 724,000 acres**



Plan Area & Permit Area

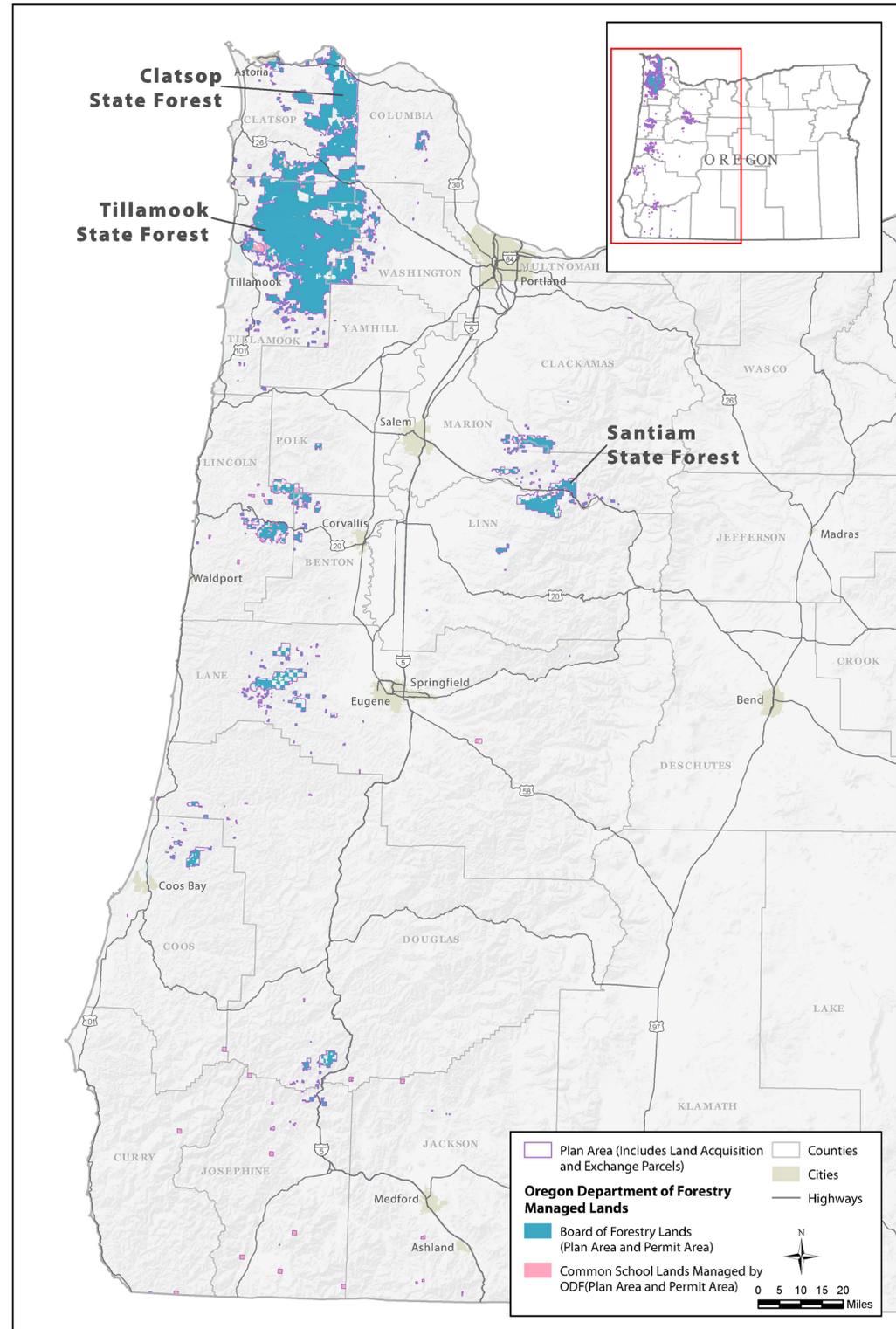
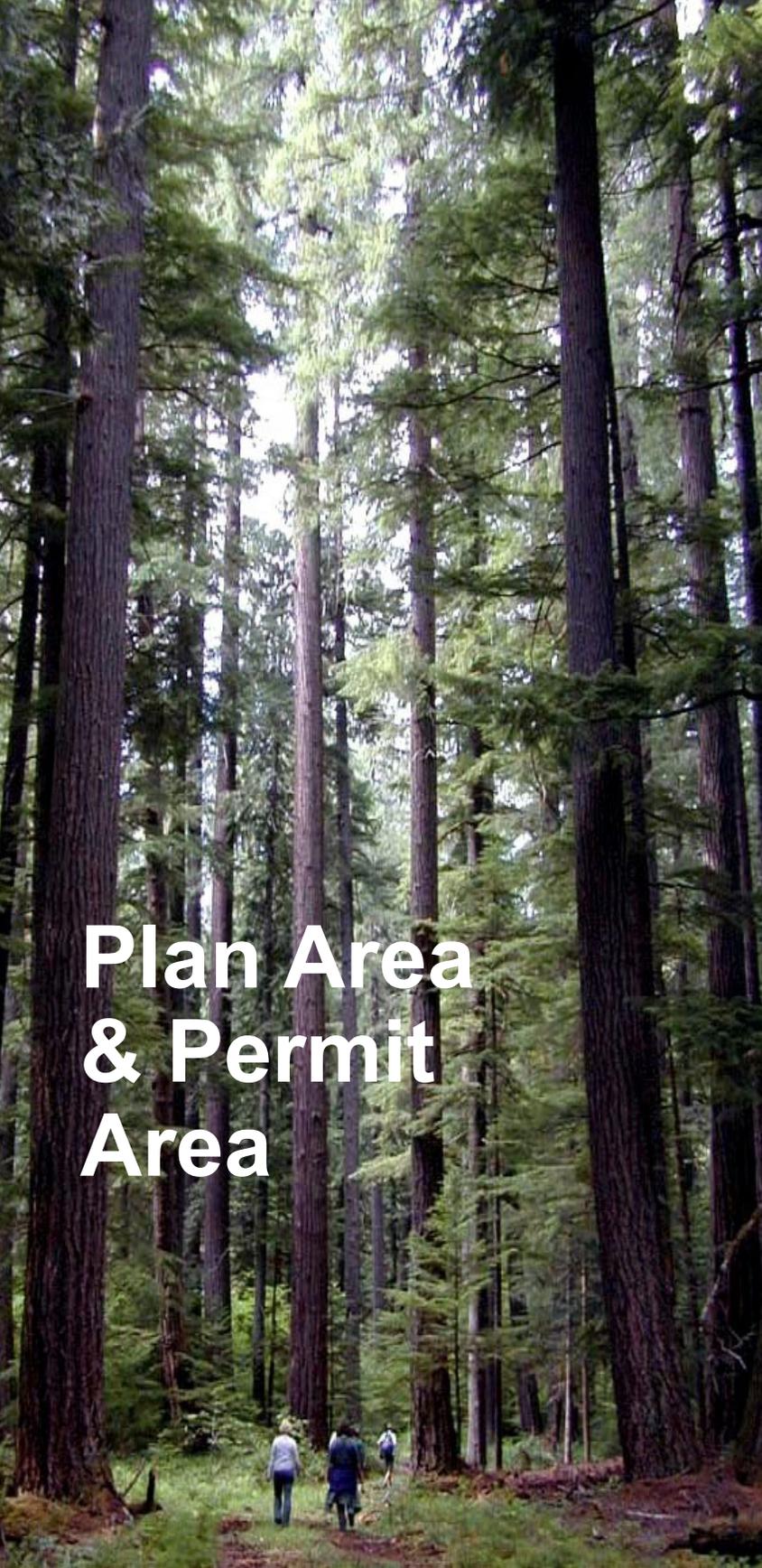
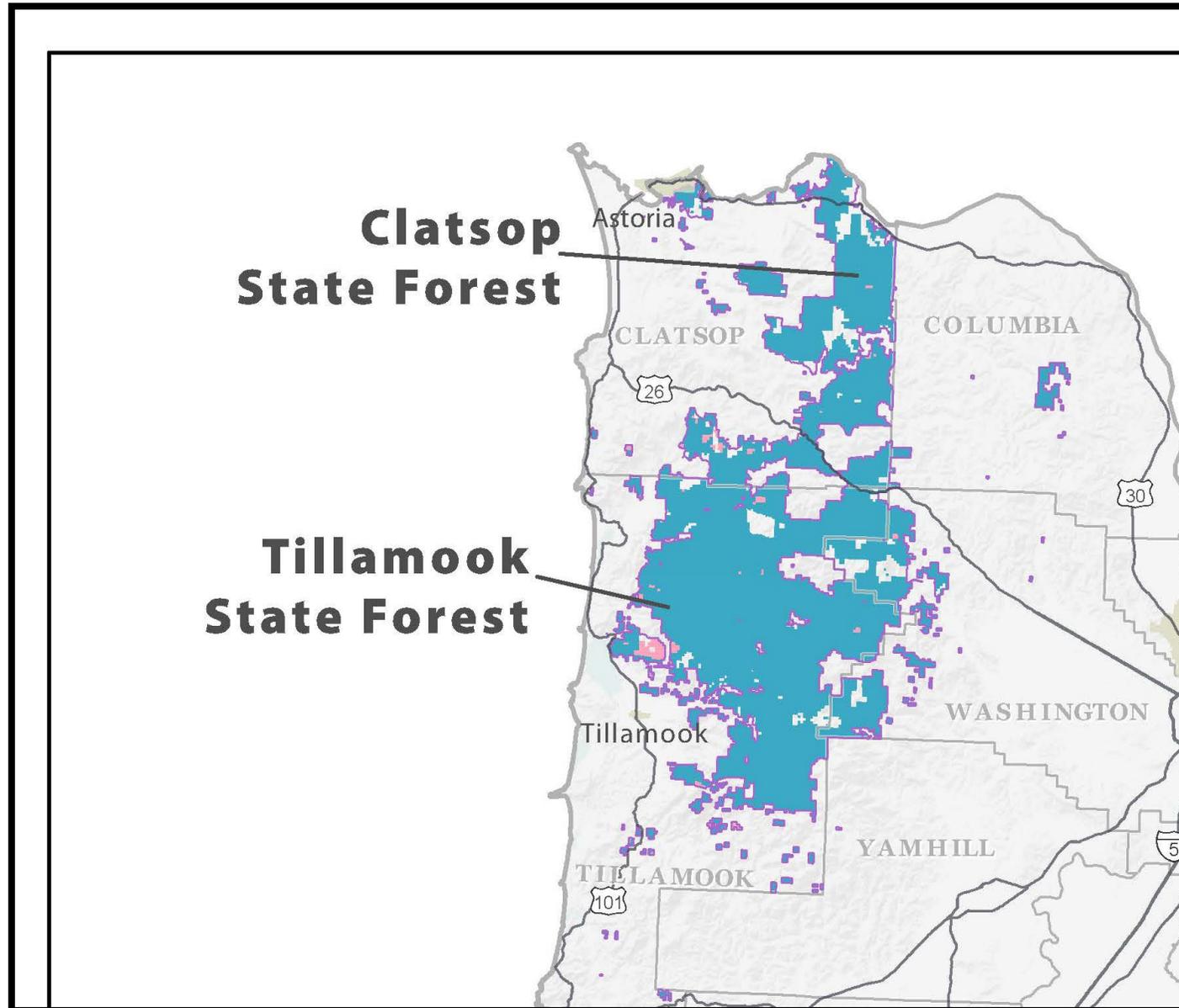
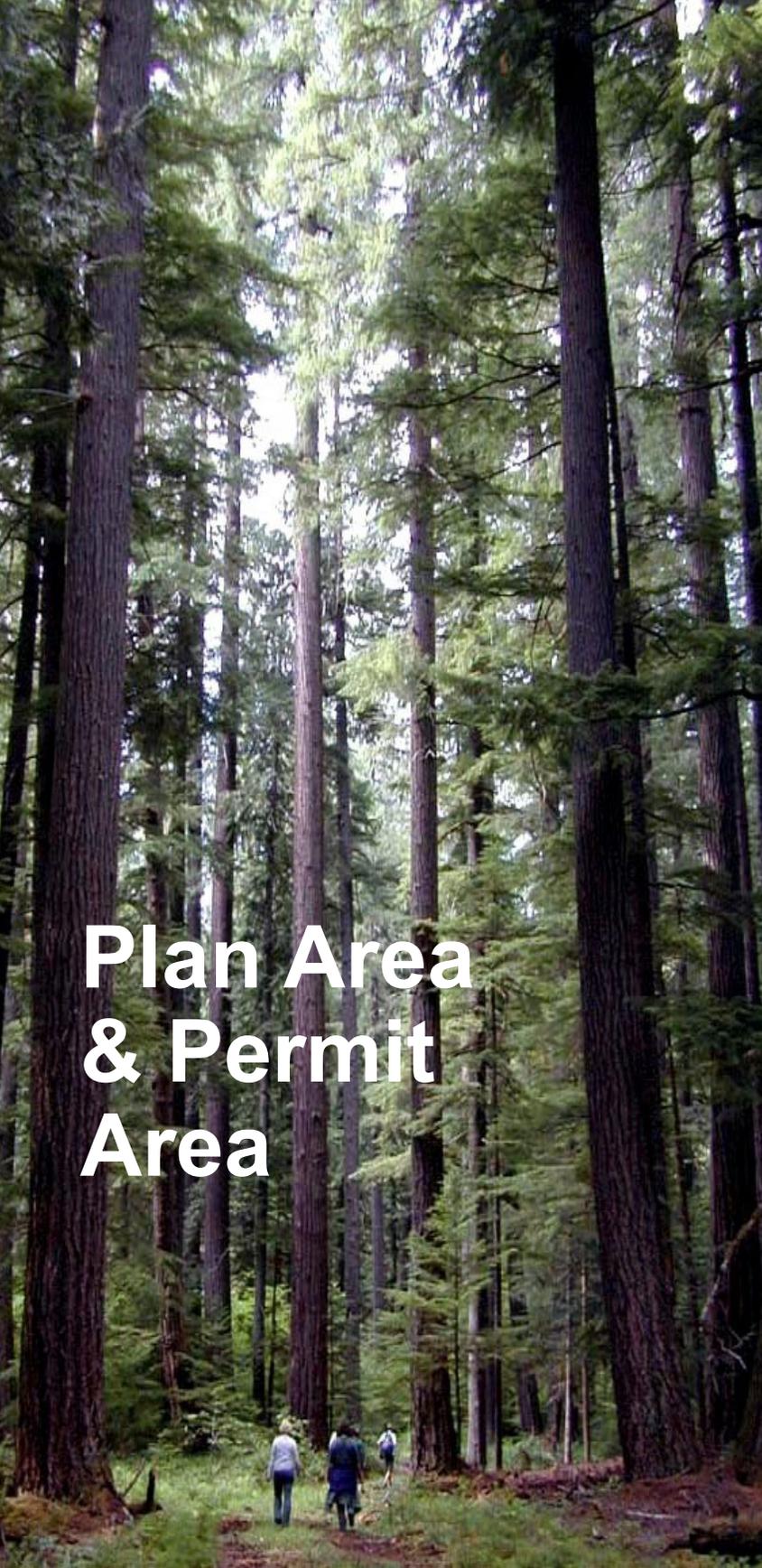


Figure 1-1: Western Oregon State Forests HCP Plan and Permit Area

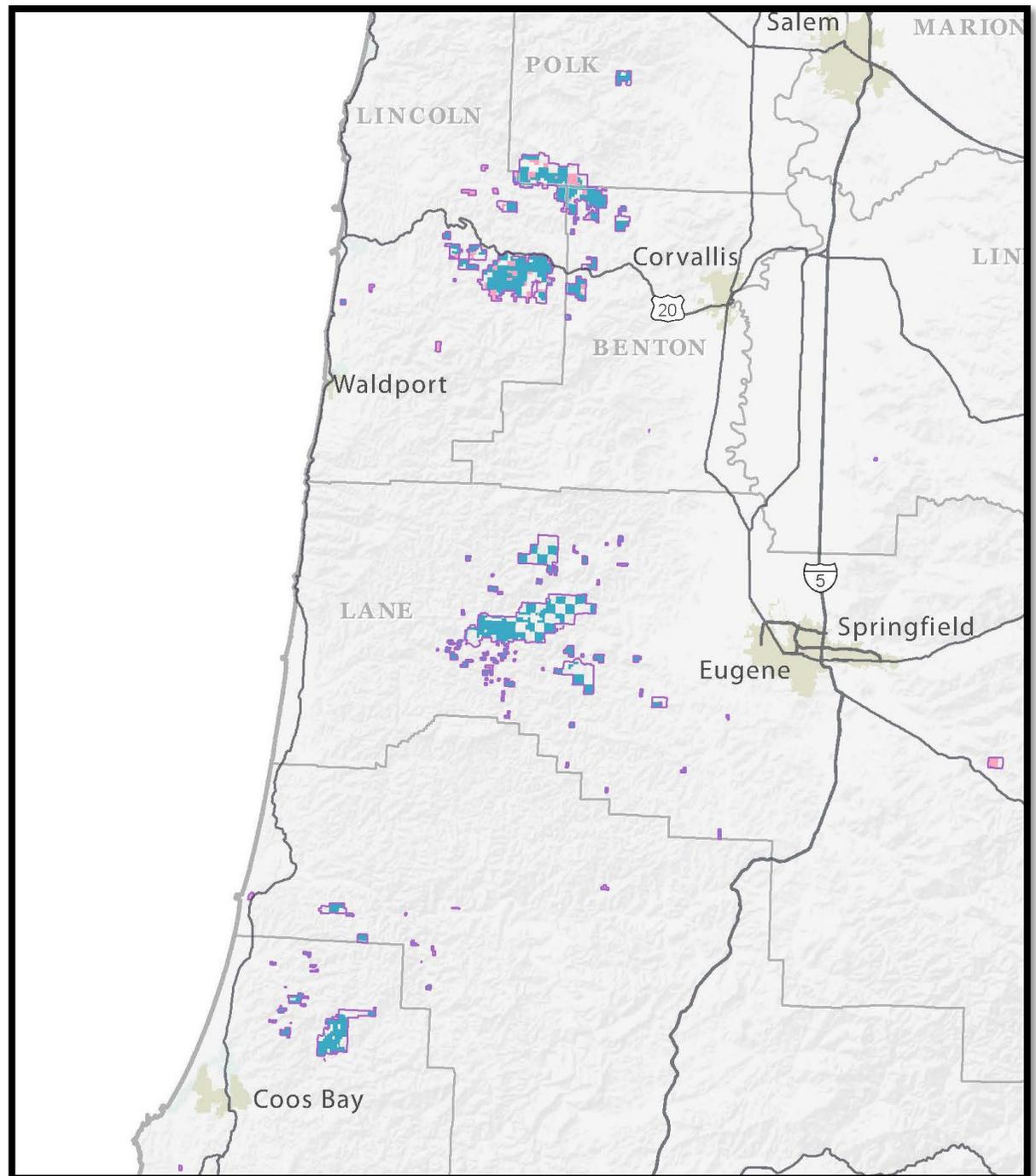


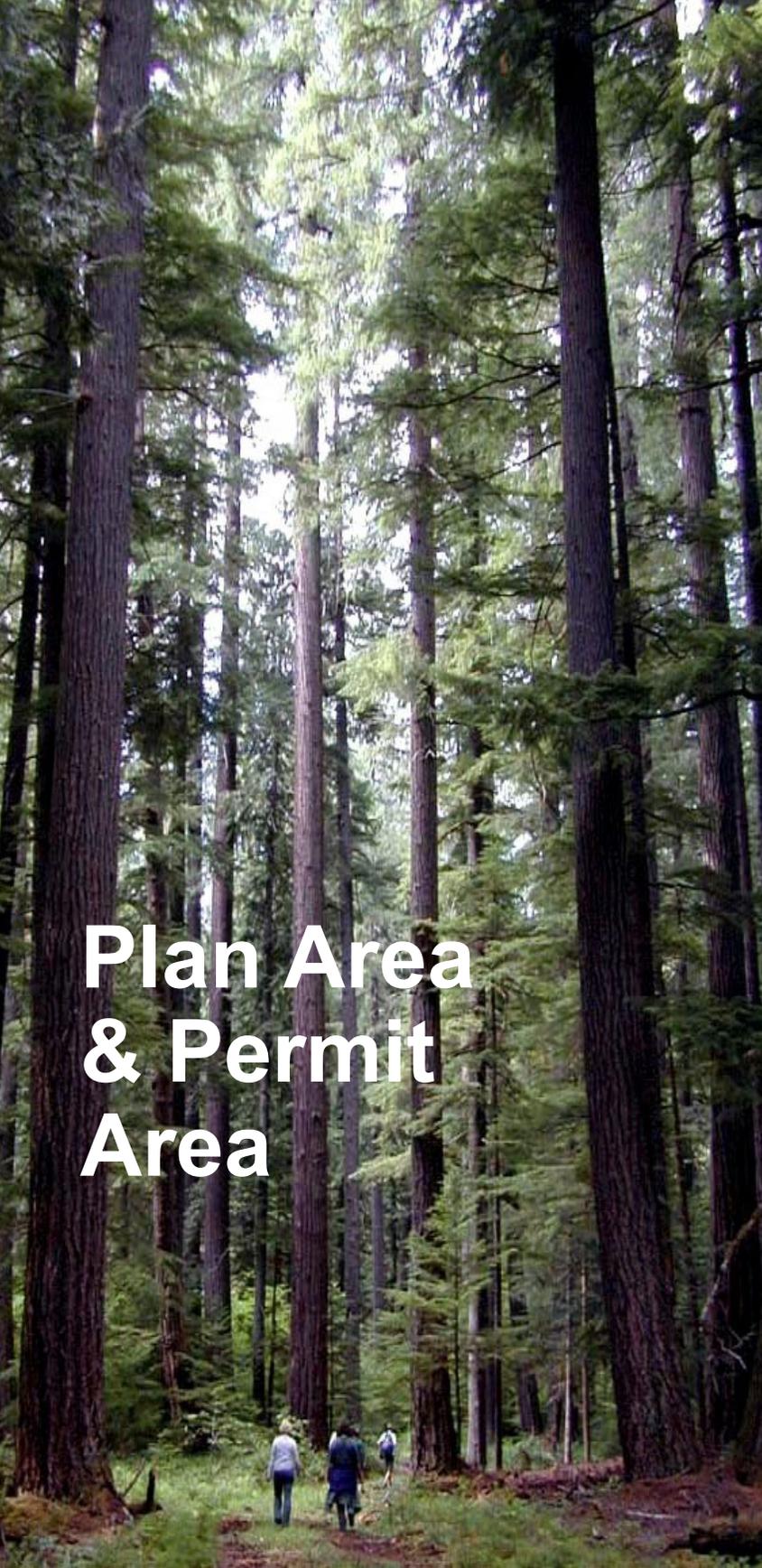
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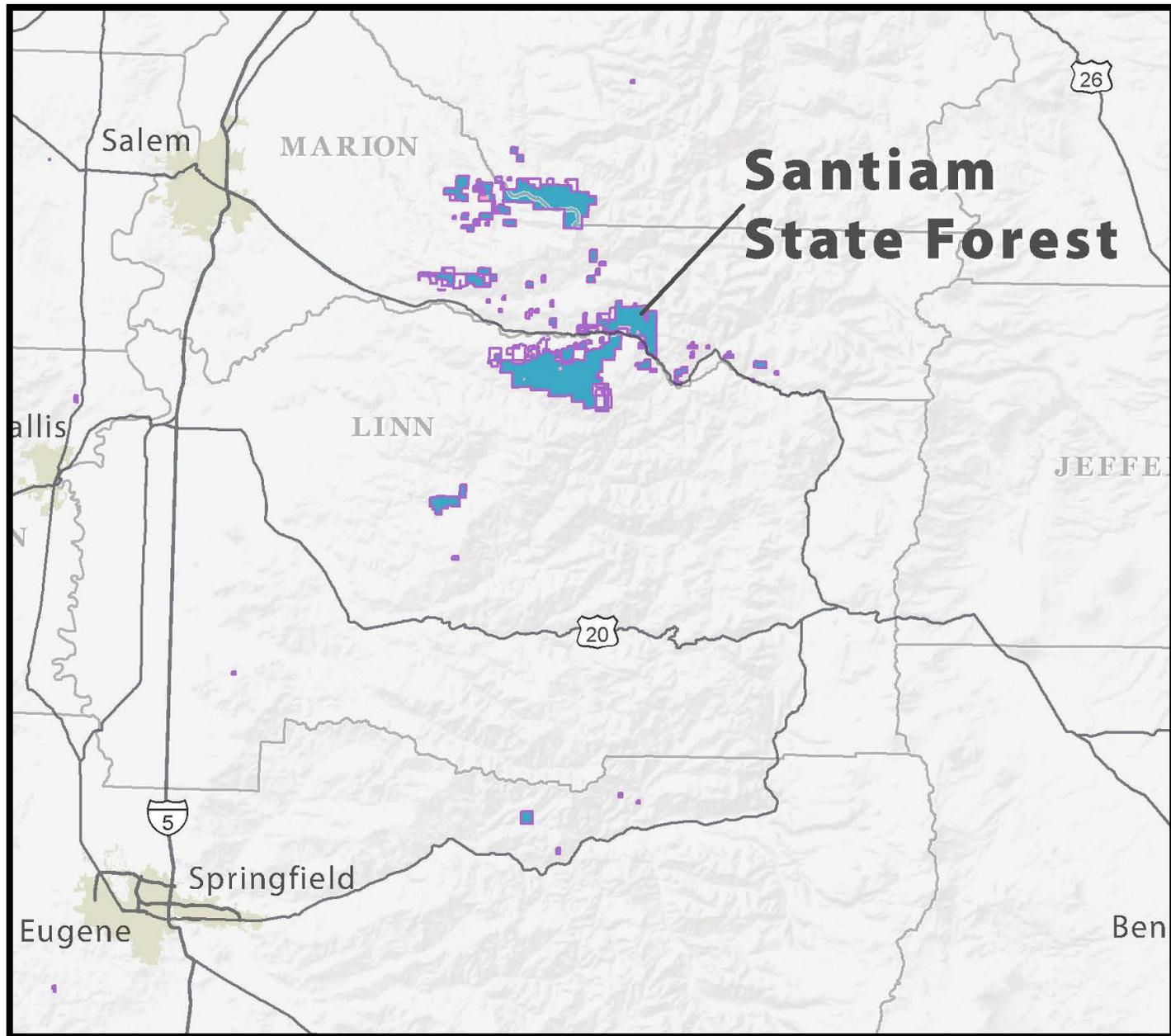


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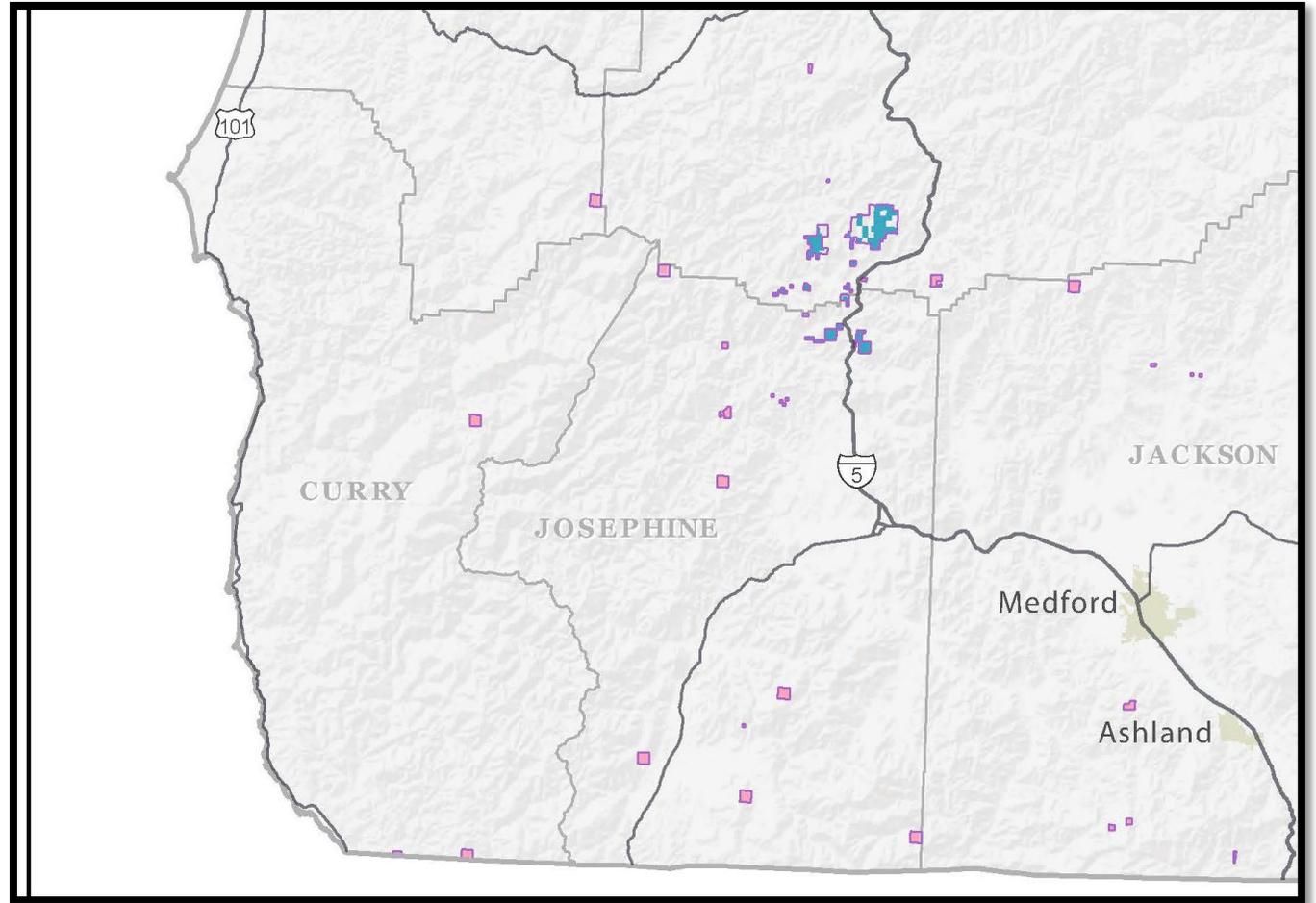




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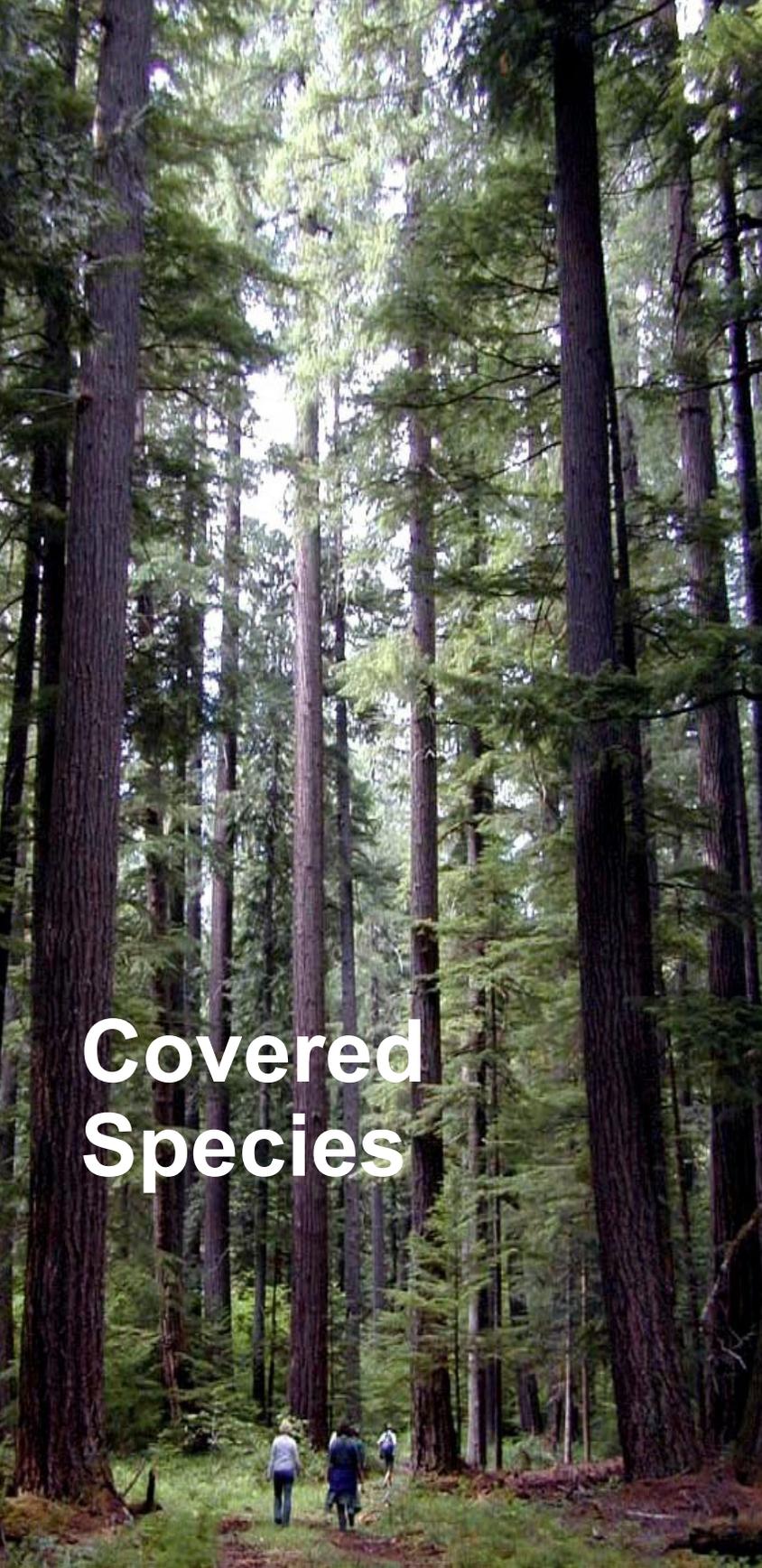
Plan Area & Permit Area





Covered Activities

- Timber Harvest
- Stand Management Activities
- Road System Management
- Recreation Facilities
- Third Party Leases and Easements
- Conservation Action Implementation



Covered Species

Range: Species in the plan area?

Impact: Likely to result in take of covered species?

Status:

- Listed species
- Non-listed species with potential to become listed during permit term

Data: Are data sufficient to evaluate impacts and develop conservation measures?

8 Fish

3 Amphibians

2 Birds

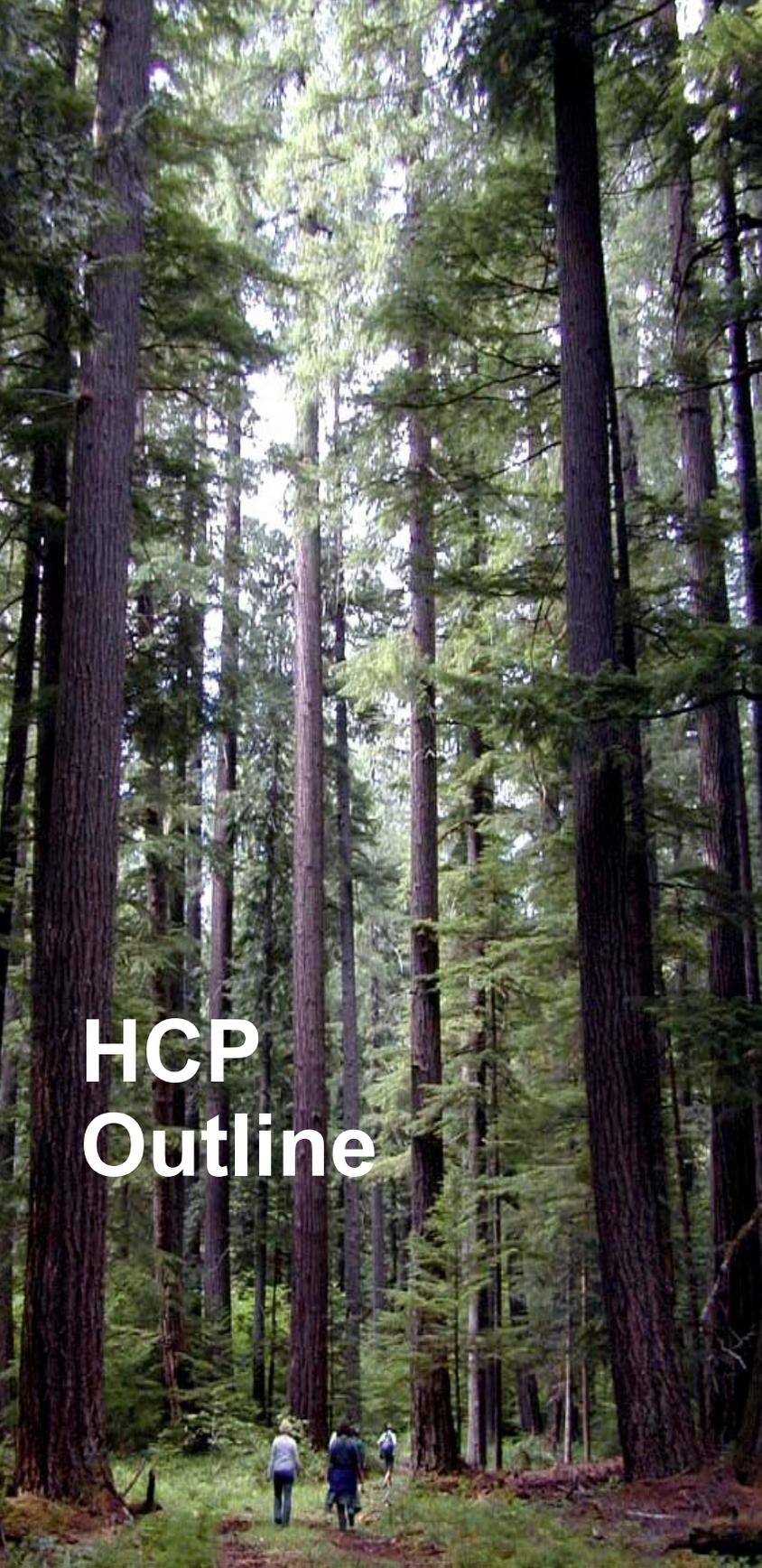
2 Mammals

**Note that the Lower Columbia steelhead was removed from the list

Proposed Covered Species

Species	Listing Status		
	State	Federal	Federal Jurisdiction
Fish			
Oregon Coast coho (<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>)	--	FT	NMFS
Lower Columbia River coho (<i>O. kisutch</i>)	SE	FT	NMFS
Upper Willamette River spring chinook (<i>O. tshawytscha</i>)	--	FT	NMFS
Upper Willamette River winter steelhead (<i>O. mykiss</i>)	--	FT	NMFS
Columbia River chum (<i>O. keta</i>)	--	FT	NMFS
Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast coho (<i>O. kisutch</i>)	--	FT	NMFS
Lower Columbia River chinook (<i>O. tshawytscha</i>)	--	FT	NMFS
Eulachon (<i>Thaleichthys pacificus</i>)	--	FT	NMFS
Birds			
Northern spotted owl (<i>Strix occidentalis</i>)	ST	FT	USFWS
Marbled murrelet (<i>Brachyramphus marmoratus</i>)	ST	FT	USFWS
Amphibians			
Oregon slender salamander (<i>Batrachoseps wrighti</i>)	ST	UR	USFWS
Columbia torrent salamander (<i>Rhyacotriton kezeri</i>)	ST	UR	USFWS
Cascade torrent salamander (<i>R. cascadae</i>)	--	UR	USFWS
Mammals			
Coastal marten (<i>Martes caurina</i>)	--	PT	USFWS
Red tree vole (<i>Arborimus longicaudus</i>)	--	FC	USFWS
SE = State Endangered; ST = State Threatened; FT = Federal Threatened; PT = Federal Proposed Threatened; FC = Federal Species of Concern; UR = Under Review; NMFS = National Marine Fisheries Service; USFWS = U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service			

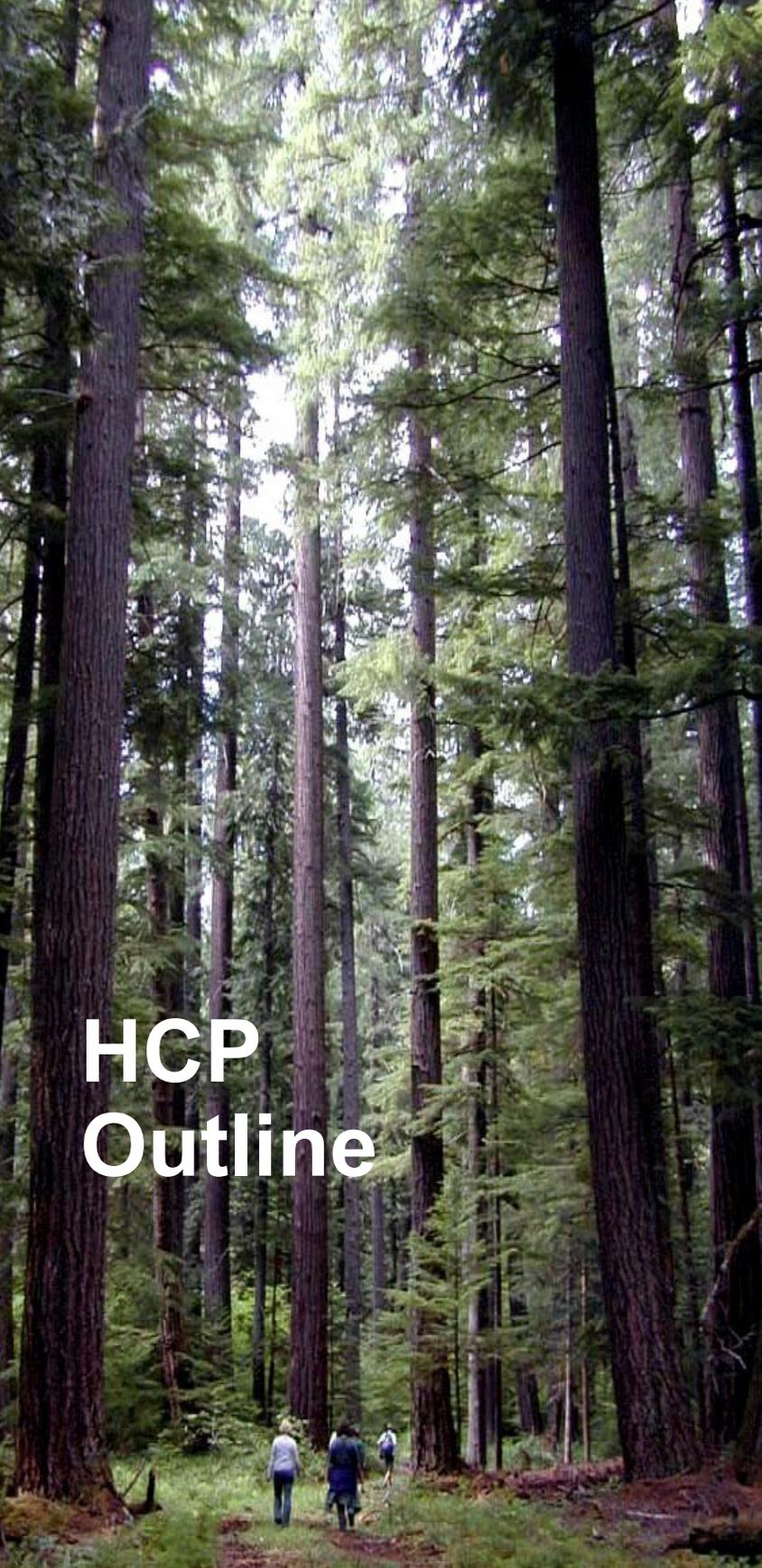
Covered Species



HCP Outline

Background Information

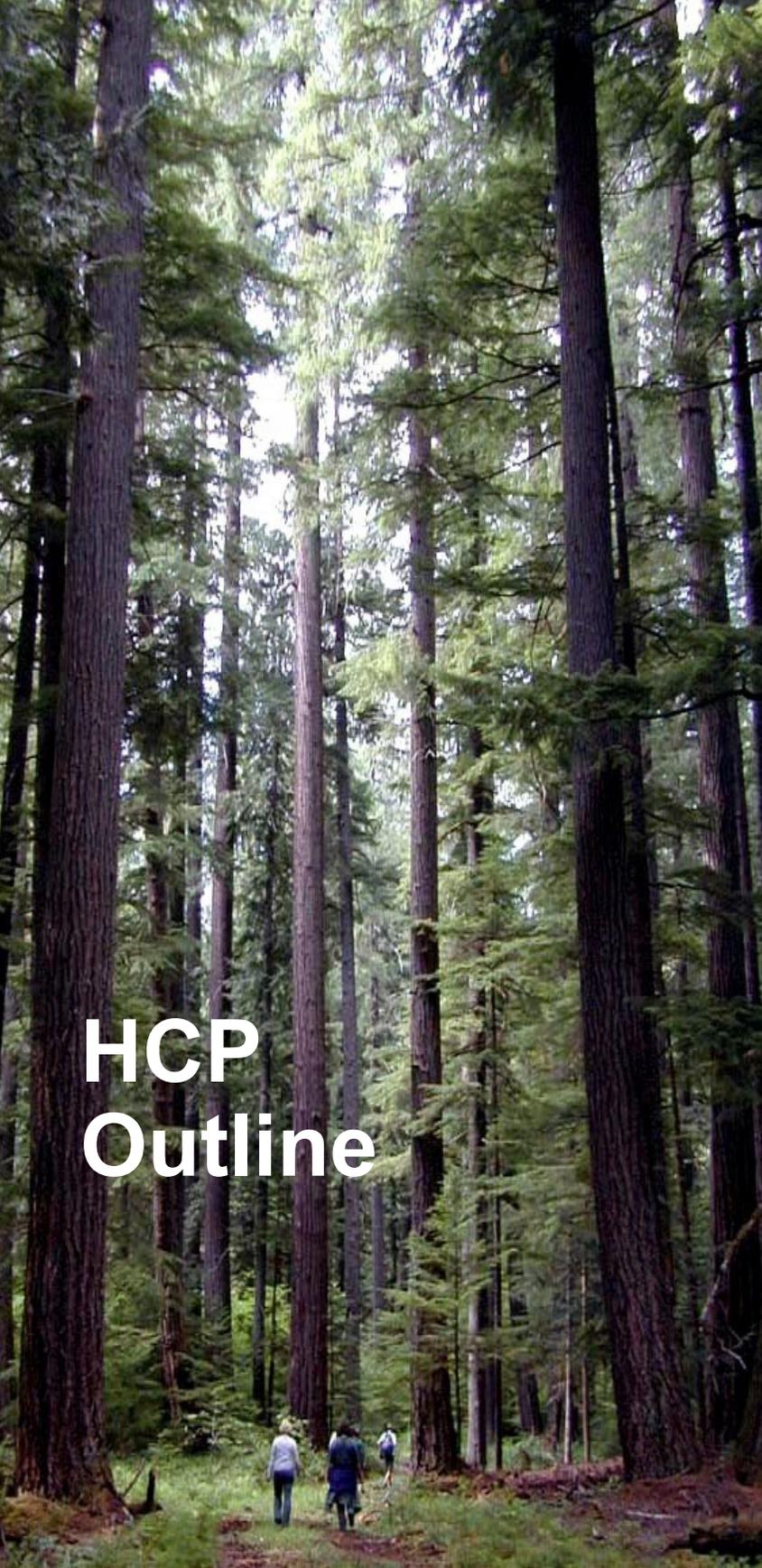
- Mission and goals of the HCP Program (Chapter 1)
- Baseline environmental conditions (Chapter 2)
 - Physical and biological characteristics of the plan area
 - Covered species information
- Description of the activities that will be covered by the permit, including extent, duration, and frequency (Chapter 3)



HCP Outline

Effects, Conservation, and Monitoring

- Conservation strategy
 - Avoidance, minimization, and mitigation requirements of the HCP (Chapter 4)
- Effects of the covered activities on the covered species (Chapter 5)
- Description of the monitoring and adaptive management program that will be instituted to track the effectiveness of the conservation strategy (Chapter 6)



Assurances, Administration, and Alternatives

- Assurances requested under the HCP (Chapter 7)
 - Changed circumstances
 - Unforeseen circumstances
 - Federal “No Surprises”
- Description of how ODF will implement the HCP (Chapter 8)
- Presentation of Alternatives to Take (Chapter 10)

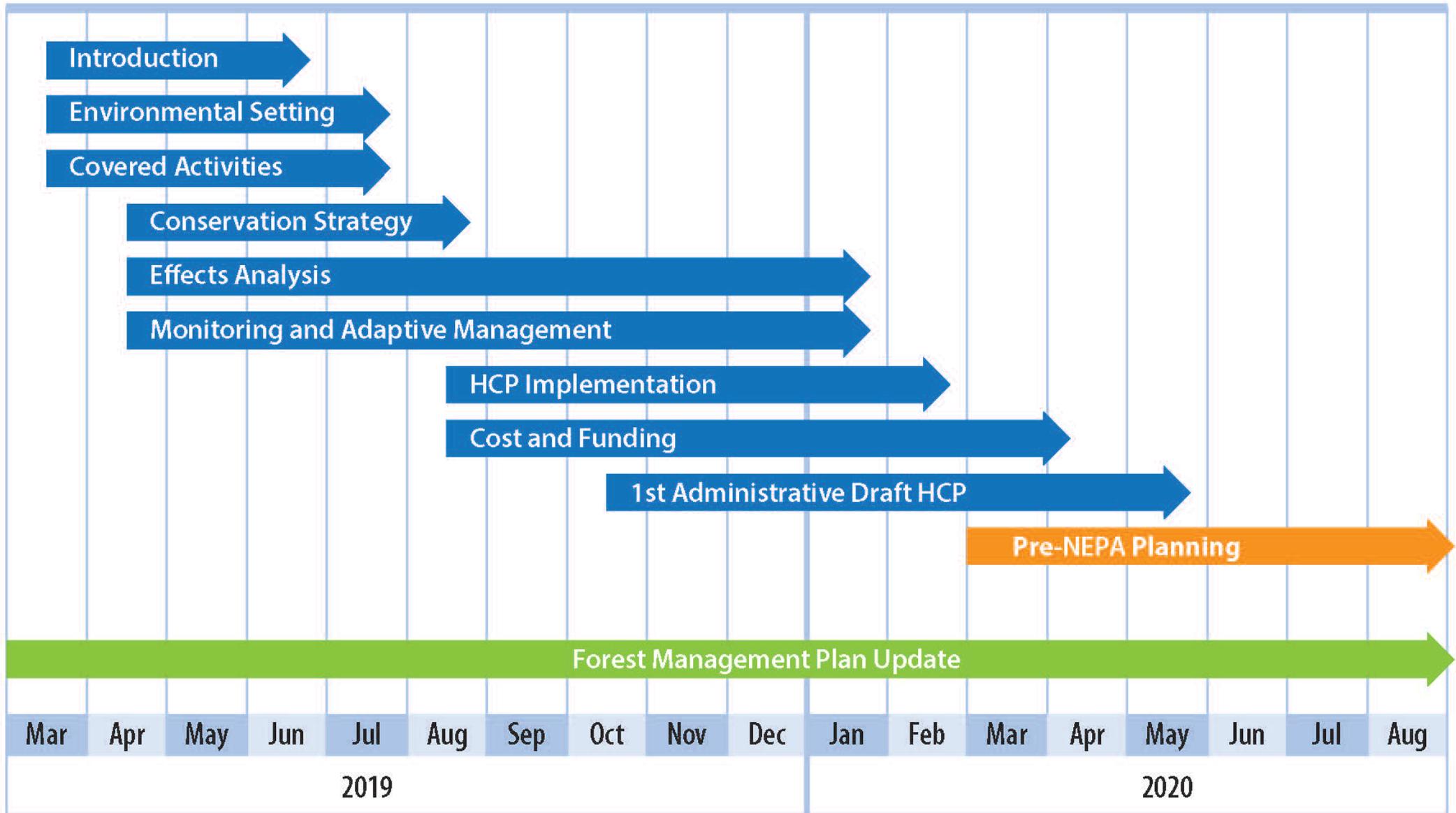
**HCP
Outline**

Cost and Funding (Chapter 9)

- Calculate costs of HCP Implementation
 - Administration
 - Habitat management/restoration
 - Monitoring
 - Reporting
 - Changed circumstances
- Demonstrate reliable funding source to pay for HCP Implementation

**HCP
Outline**

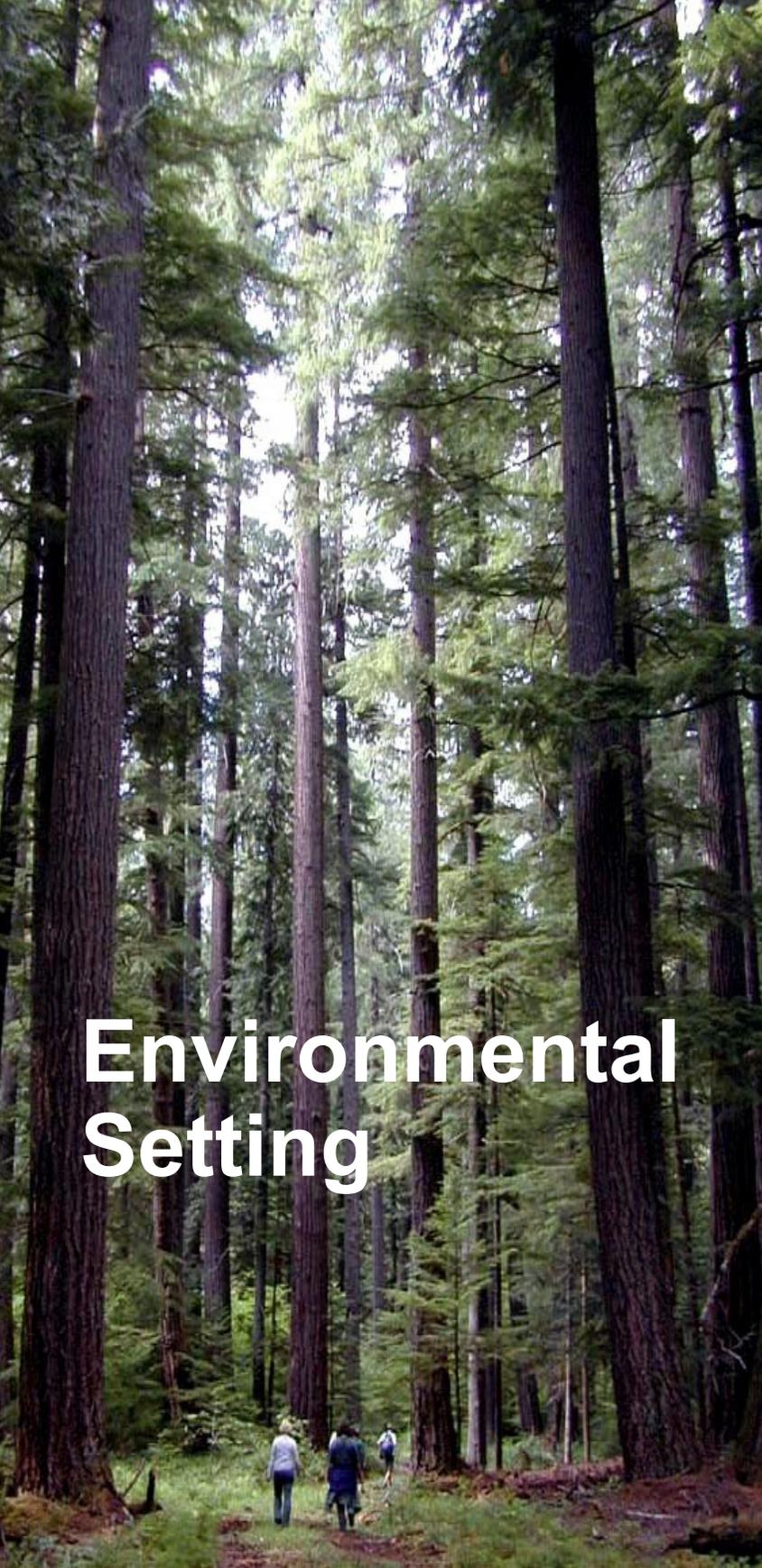
Draft HCP Development Timeline



Environmental Setting

- Gathering and assessing background data and information
- Characterizing the physical and biological attributes of the covered lands
- Life history, distribution, and conservation needs for covered species

**Work in
Progress**



Environmental Setting

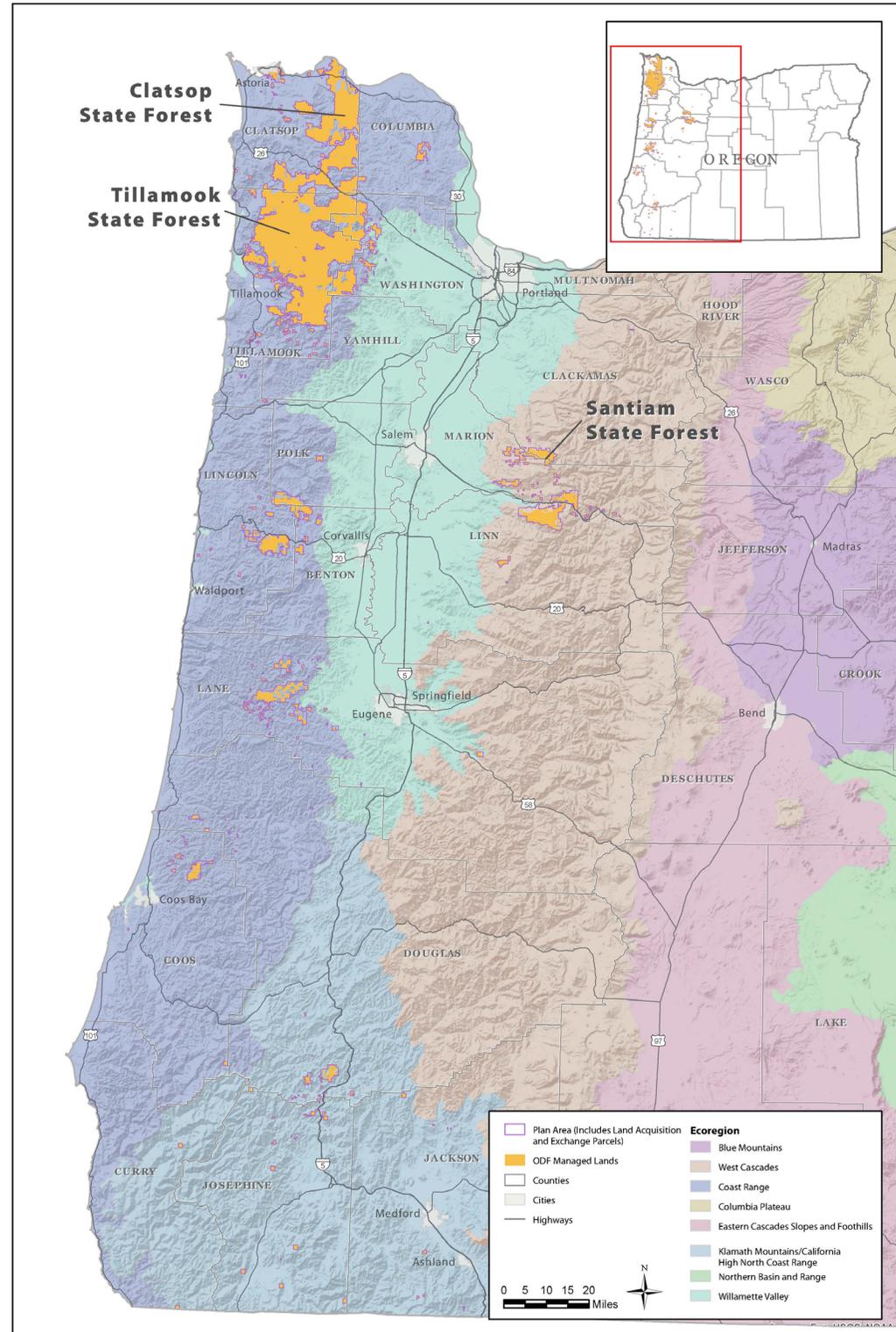


Figure 2-1: Western Oregon State Forests Plan Area, Permit Area, and Ecoregions

Environmental Setting

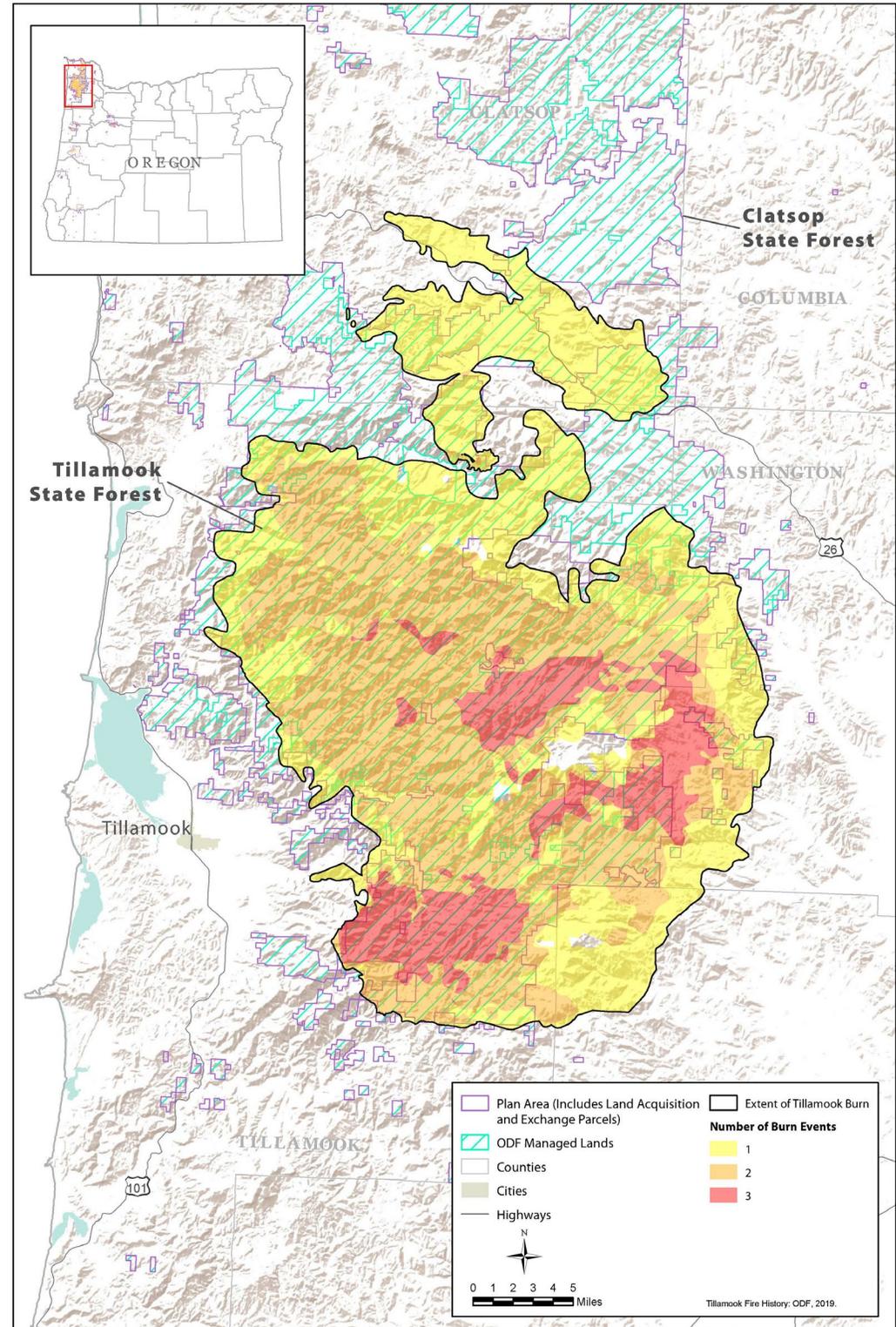
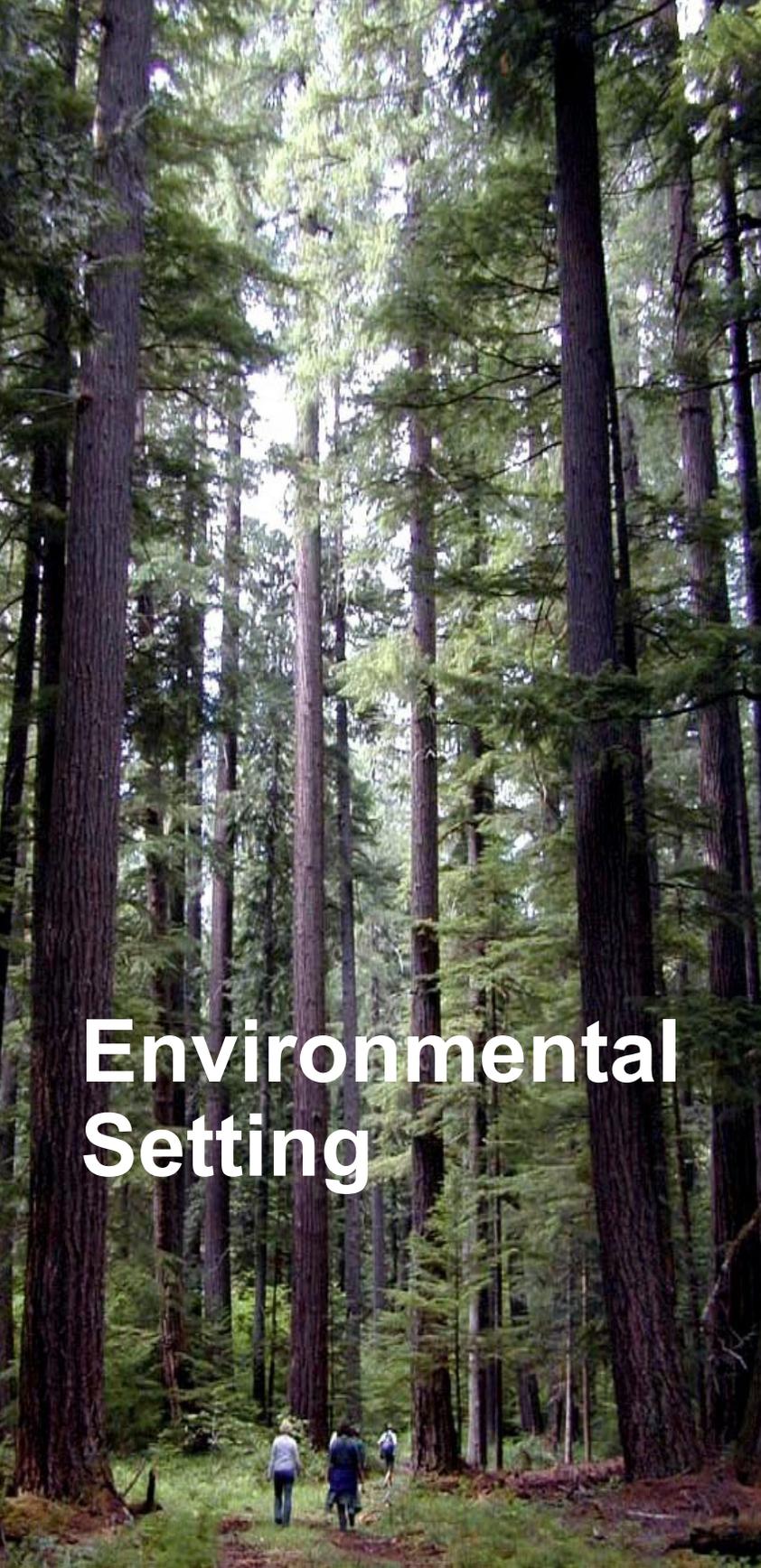


Figure 2-2: Western Oregon State Forests
Tillamook Burn Fire History



Environmental Setting

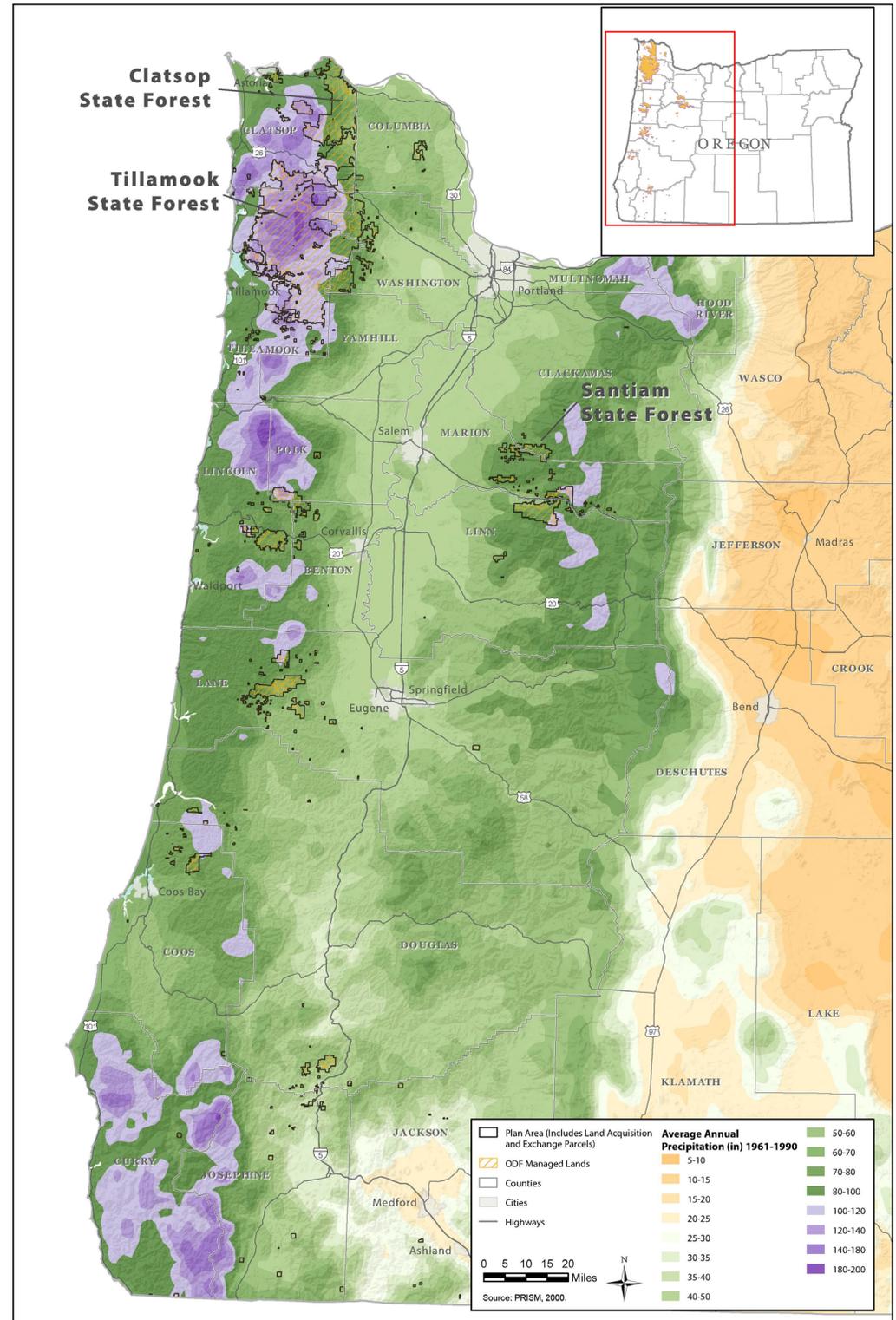
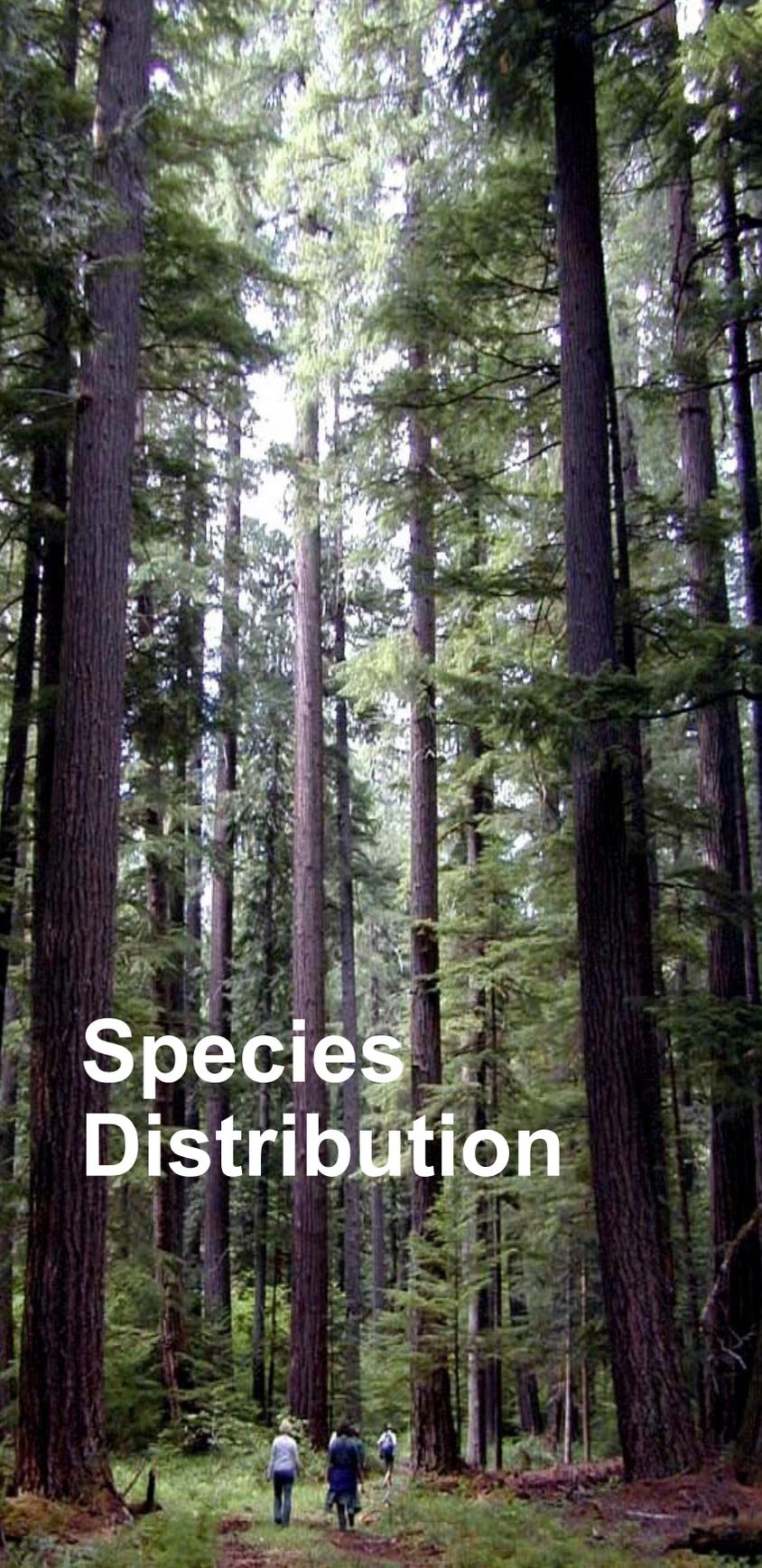
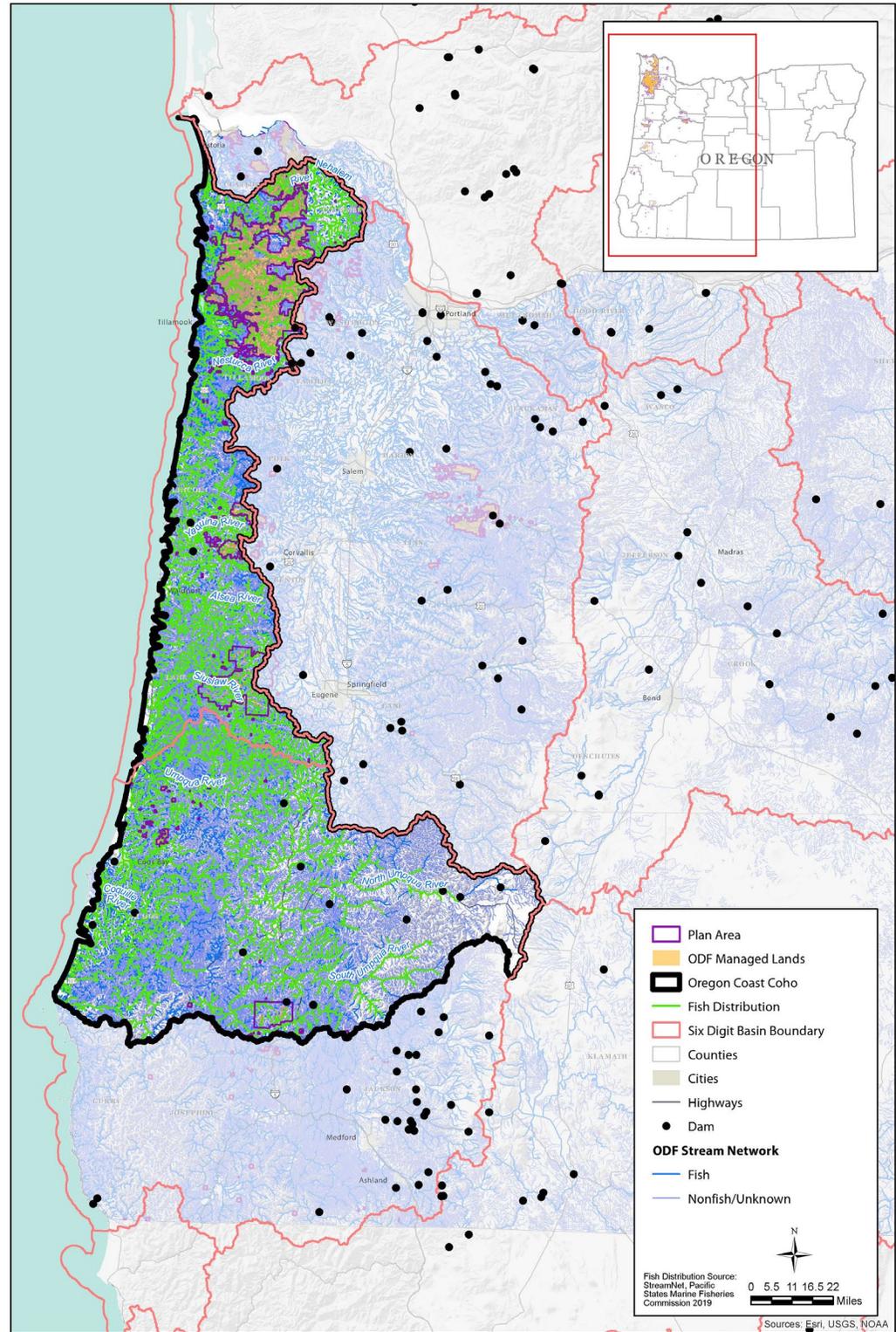


Figure 2-5: Western Oregon State Forests Average Annual Precipitation in Plan Area



Species Distribution



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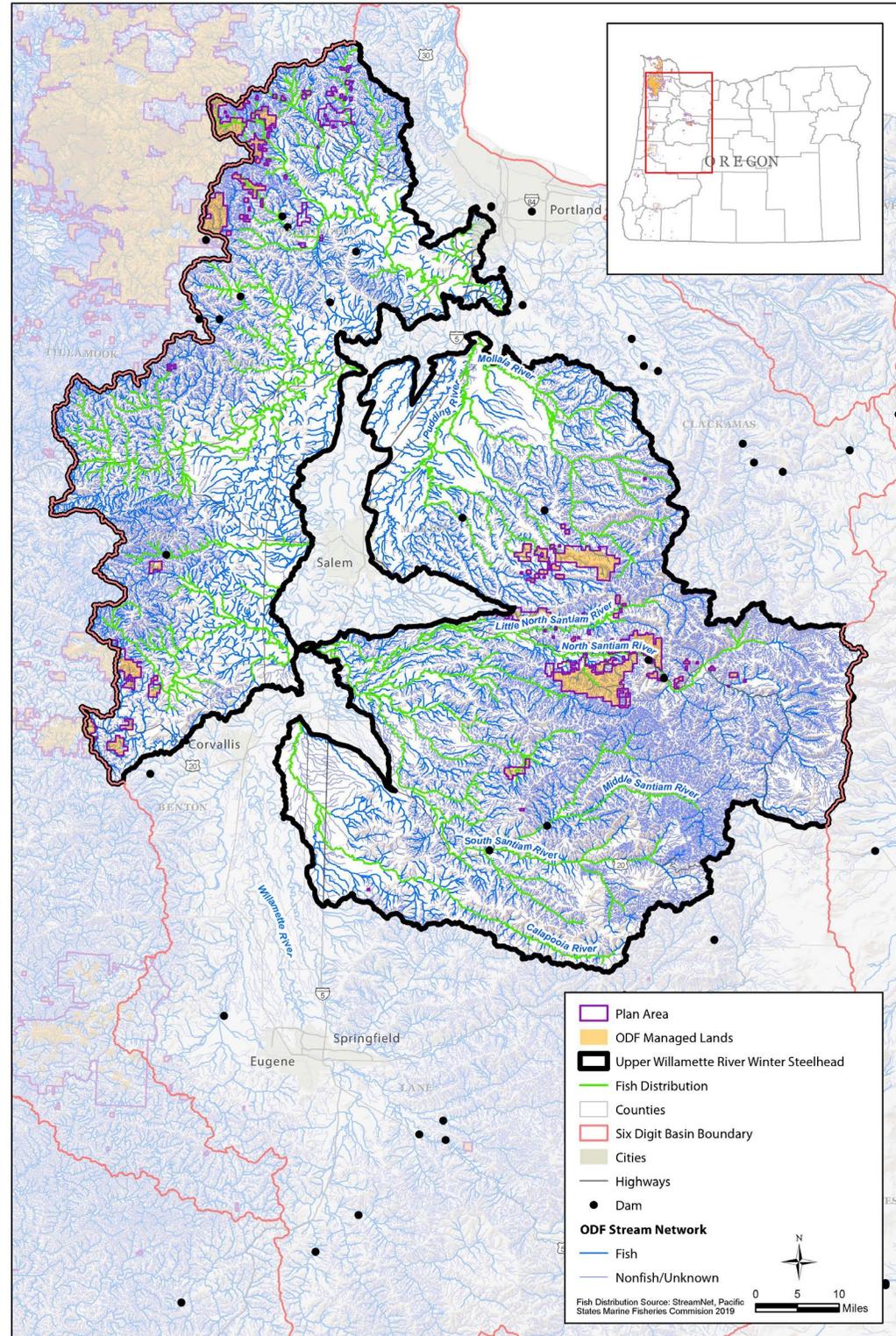
- Plan Area
- ODF Managed Lands
- Oregon Coast Coho
- Fish Distribution
- Six Digit Basin Boundary
- Counties
- Cities
- Highways
- Dam
- ODF Stream Network
- Fish
- Nonfish/Unknown

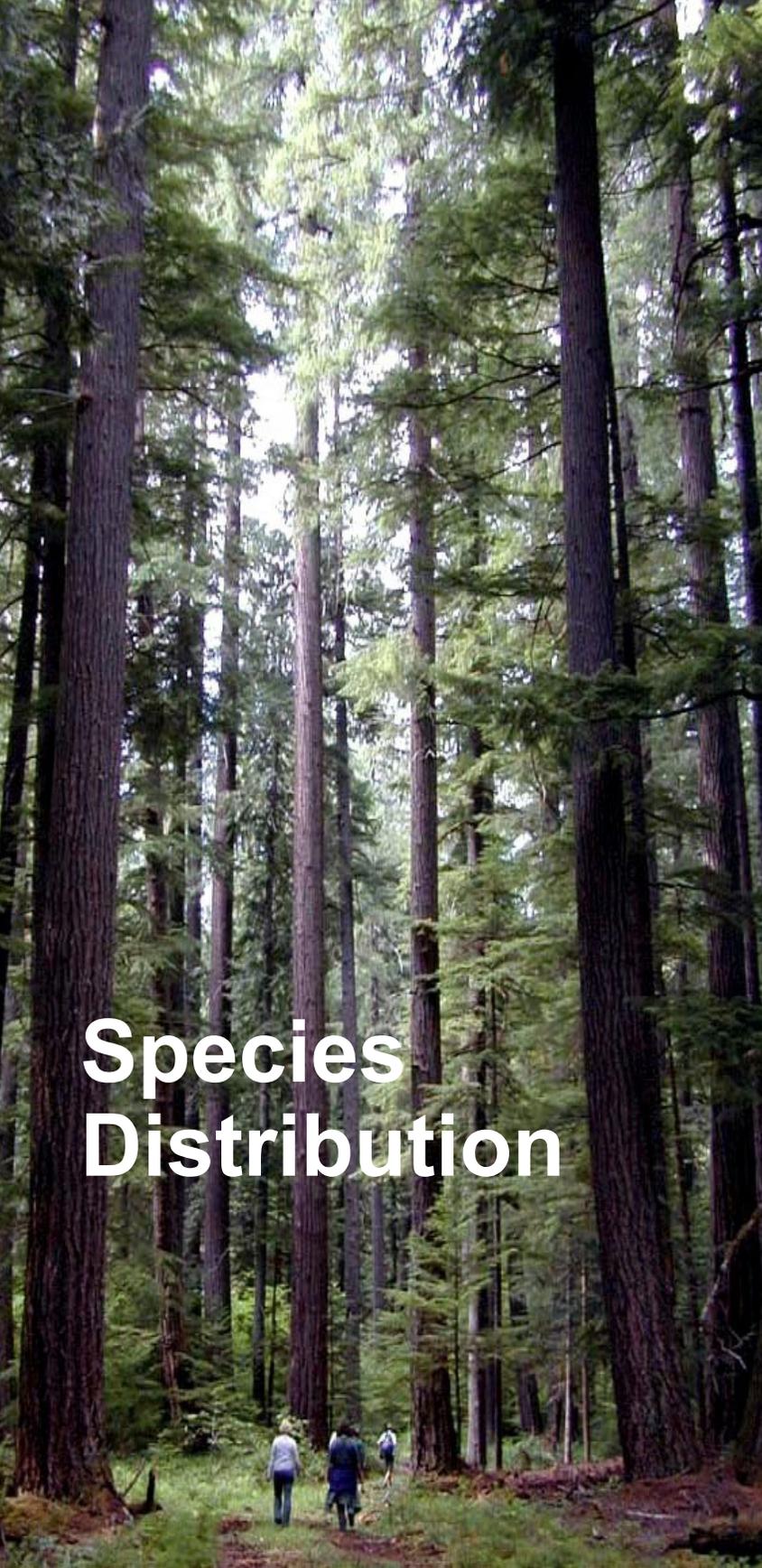
Fish Distribution Source:
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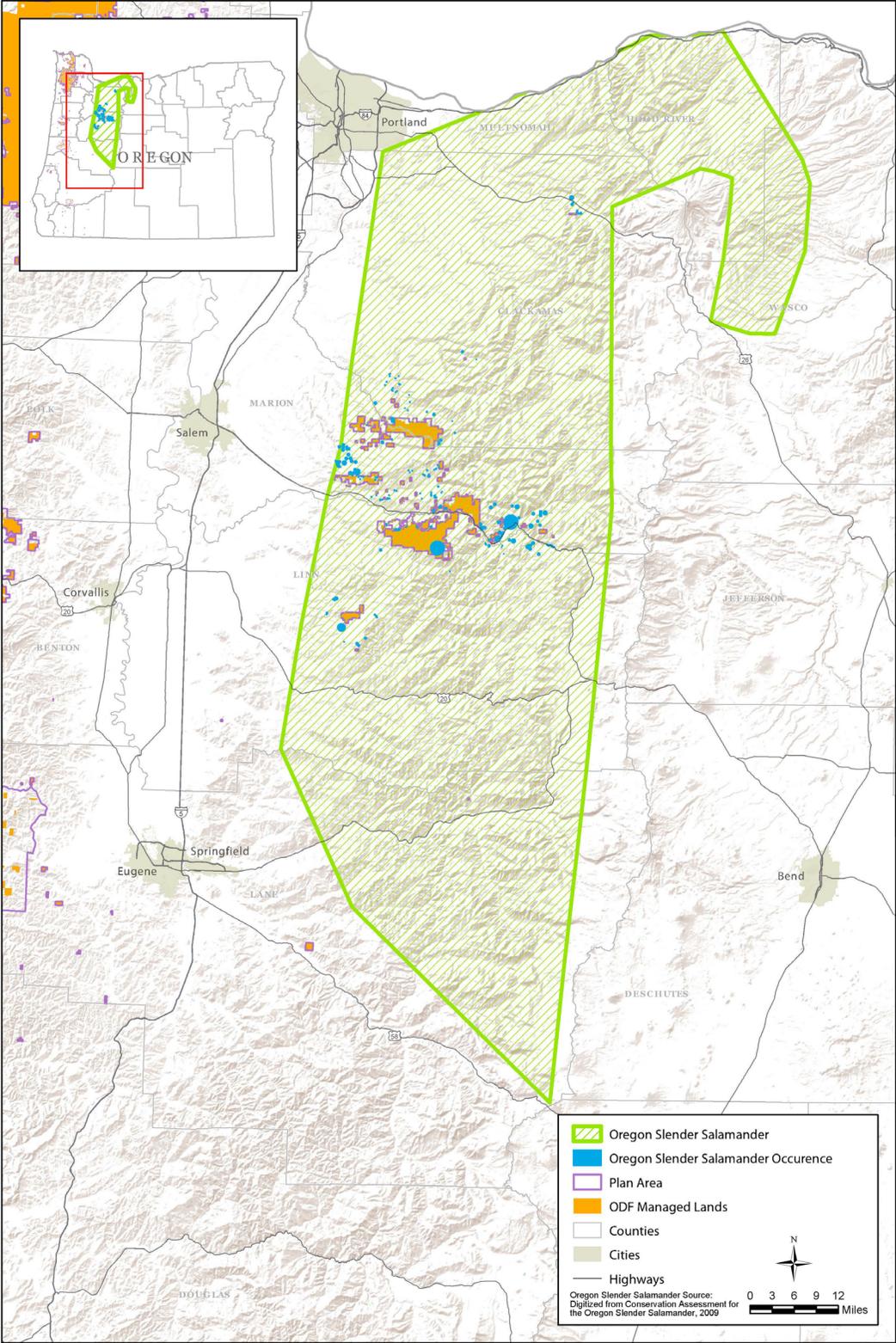
Sources: Esri, USGS, NOAA

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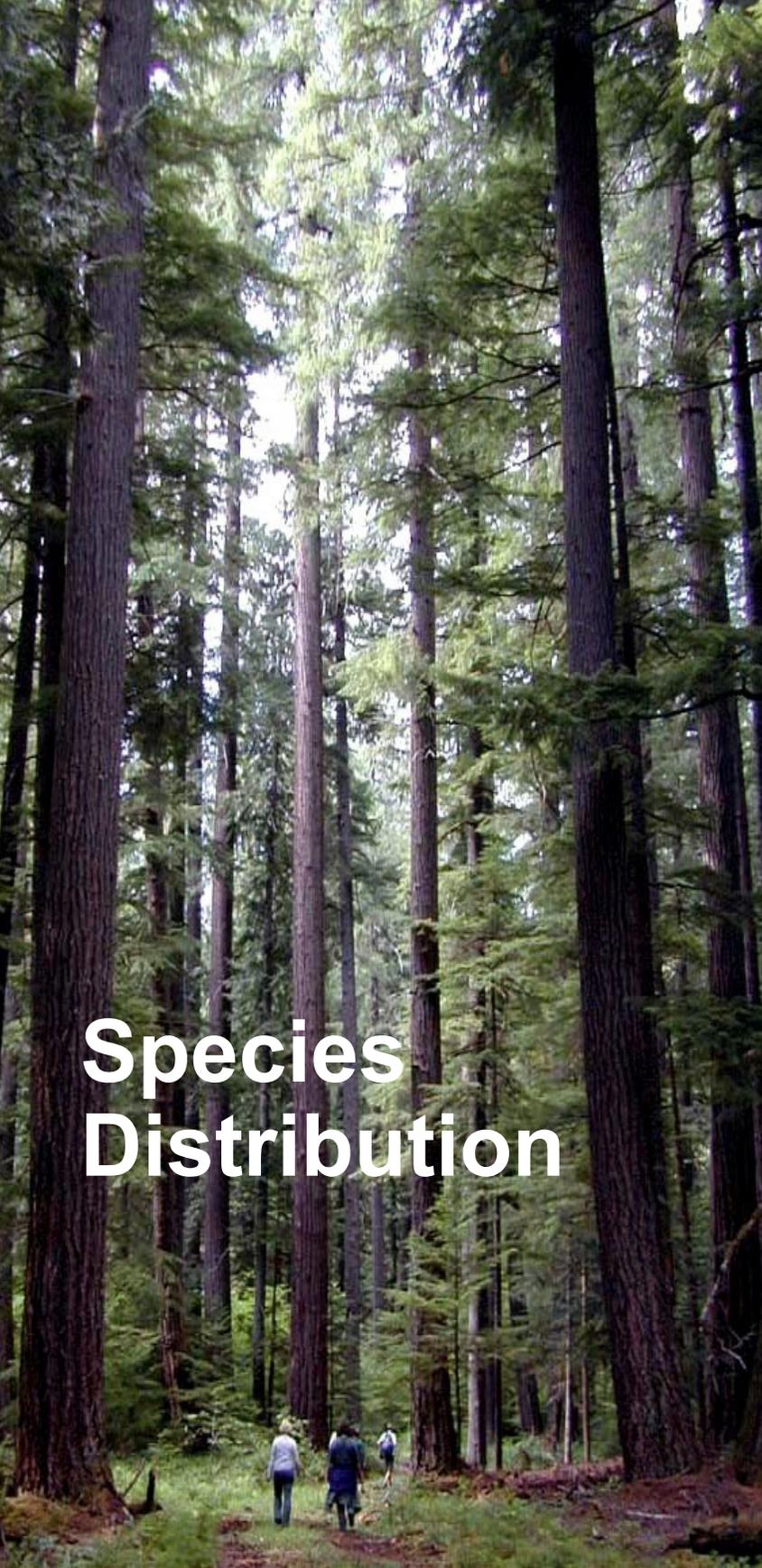


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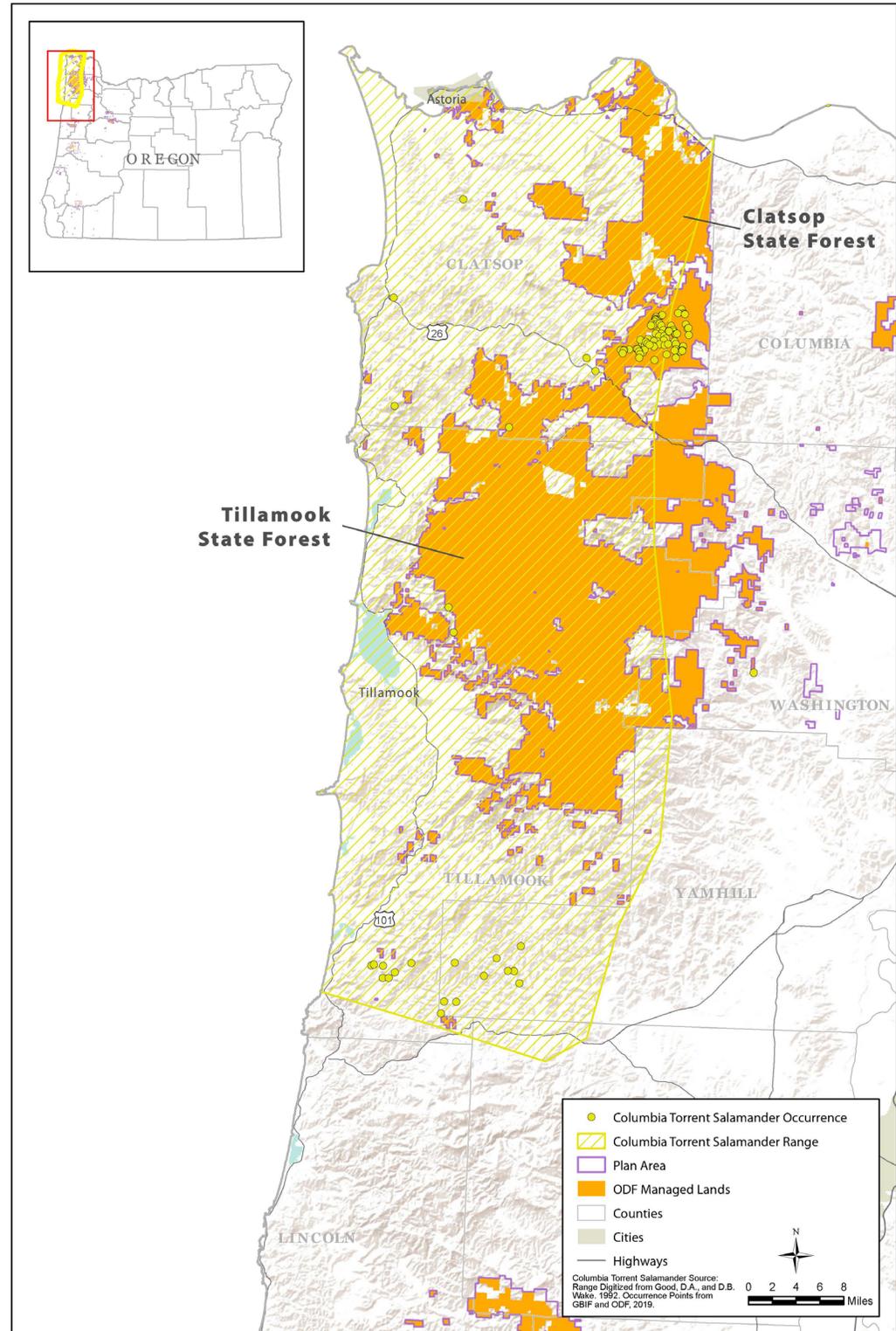


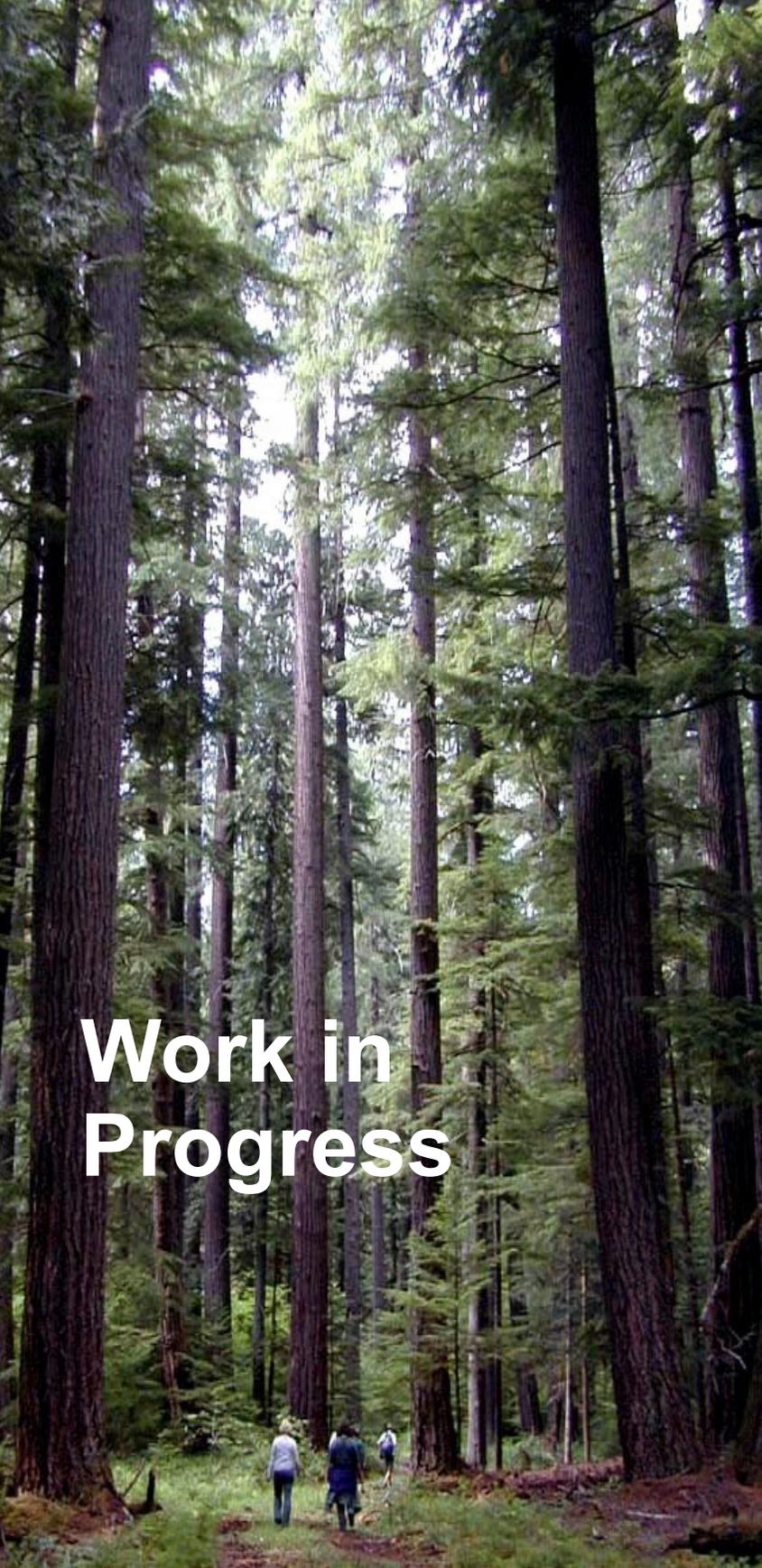
**Western Oregon State Forests
Oregon Slender Salamander Range**





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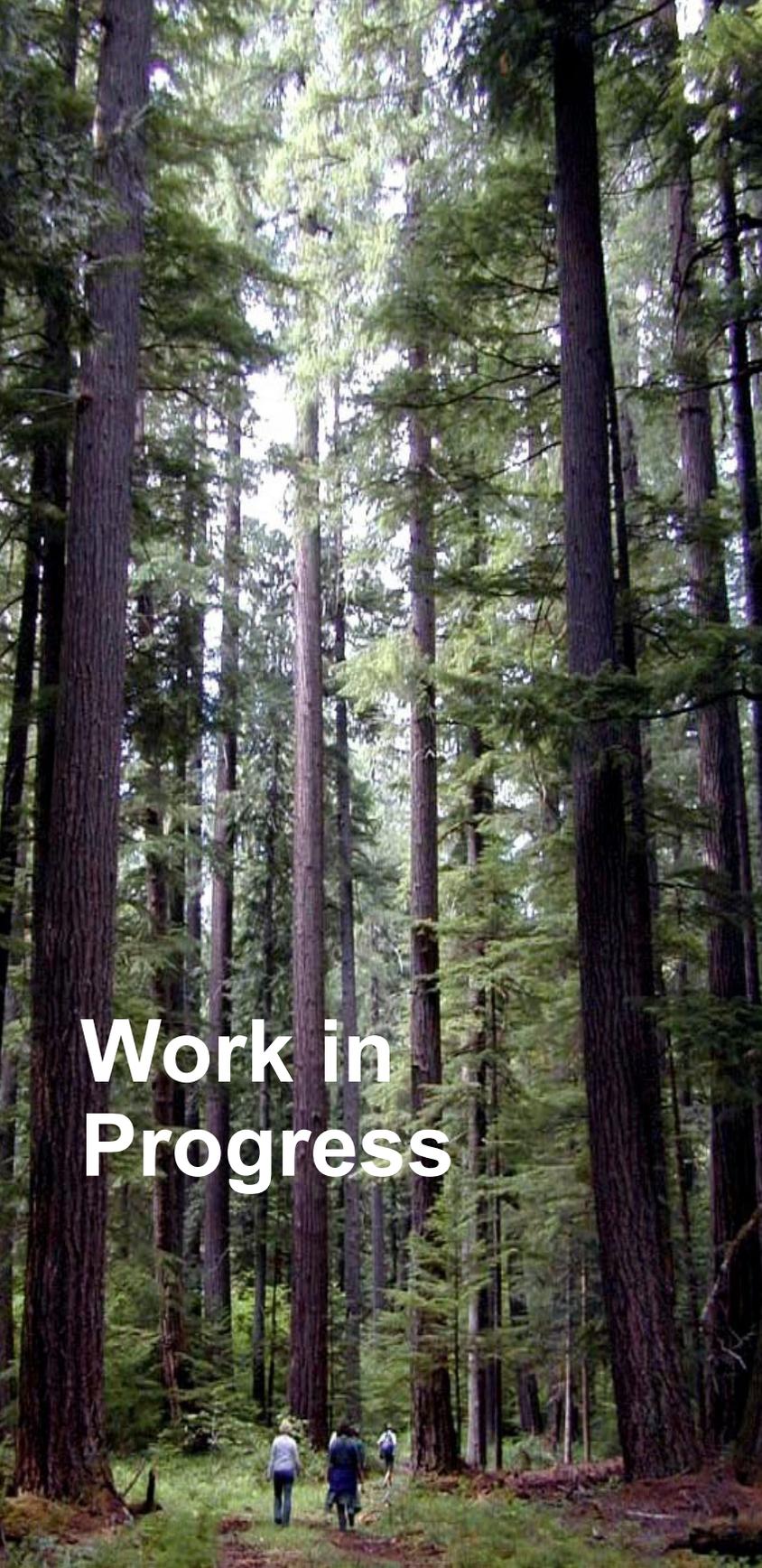




**Work in
Progress**

Conservation Strategy

- Determining conservation gaps/needs for species
- Creating biological goals and objectives for each species
- Determining what conservation actions will be most effective on state forest lands



**Work in
Progress**

Effects Analysis

- Quantifying covered activities
- Determining the potential for covered activities to effect covered species and to result in “take”
- Evaluate the impact of take on the covered species
- Demonstration of avoidance, minimization, and mitigation



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Q&A and Discussion

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Mission, Vision, Goals



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Definitions

The Mission Statement concentrates on the present; it defines the customer(s), critical processes and it informs you about the desired level of performance.

The Vision Statement focuses on the future; it is a source of inspiration and motivation. Often it describes not just the future of the organization but the future of the industry or society in which the organization hopes to effect change.

Goals describe what the Mission and Vision Statements will accomplish, and the results that will be achieved.



Mission, Vision, Goals

HCP Mission

To provide protection and conservation for selected listed species and species likely to become listed under the federal or state Endangered Species Acts during the permit term, while providing for long-term, multi-benefit management of the State's public forestlands subject to the Western Oregon State Forest Management Plan. The HCP will support the range of economic, social, and environmental benefits that ODF is statutorily required to provide under the Greatest Permanent Value rule and will help to meet fiduciary responsibilities for Common School Forest lands. It will also meet specific criteria that must be satisfied before National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) can issue incidental take permits.



Mission, Vision, Goals

HCP Vision

The Western Oregon HCP ensures species protection and conservation as well as increased certainty that working state forestlands will continue to benefit all Oregonians. Multi-objective forest stewardship activities provide revenue to counties, rural communities, the Common School Fund and ODF, create jobs, support resilient forest ecosystems, clean air and high water quality, provide high quality habitats for native fish and wildlife, provide, and promote educational, recreational, and other partnership opportunities to enhance enjoyment of public forest benefits.



Mission, Vision, Goals

HCP Program Goals

- 1) Meet the regulatory requirements of the federal and state Endangered Species Acts through an approved HCP, using a multi-species approach to managing forest ecosystems across the landscape.
- 2) Ensure active and sustainable management of state forest lands under a Western Oregon HCP and an associated Forest Management Plan designed to meet the social, economic, and environmental goals articulated in the Greatest Permanent Value Rule.
- 3) Increase operational certainty, cost savings, and predictability of revenue generation (including related timber harvest, jobs and other economic values) using the HCP as a programmatic approach to comply with the federal and state ESA over the permit term.
- 4) Increase certainty for long-term persistence of covered wildlife species by protecting and maintaining high-quality habitats, conducting habitat enhancement activities in areas of lower quality habitat, and mitigating the impacts of covered activities on covered species.
- 5) Advance partnerships and engagement related to management approaches and outcomes associated with, but not limited to, revenue generation and economic outcomes, conservation, forest conditions and health, tribal interests and traditional cultural uses, research, monitoring, education, recreation and the equitable enjoyment of benefits that state public forests provide.
- 6) Use science-based forestry to promote conditions that create sustainable, productive forests that are resilient to large fires, climate change impacts, and other disturbance events. Use an adaptive management approach to address uncertainty and change over time.



Western Oregon State Forests HCP Mission, Vision, Goals Discussion

- Is there anything missing in the Mission, Vision and Goals?
- Do the Mission, Vision and Goals accurately reflect what we are seeking to accomplish through the HCP?
- Do you see the range of objectives and interests reflected in the goals?

**Steering Committee members have approved the Mission, Vision, Goals and are interested in hearing stakeholder reflections at a high level.*

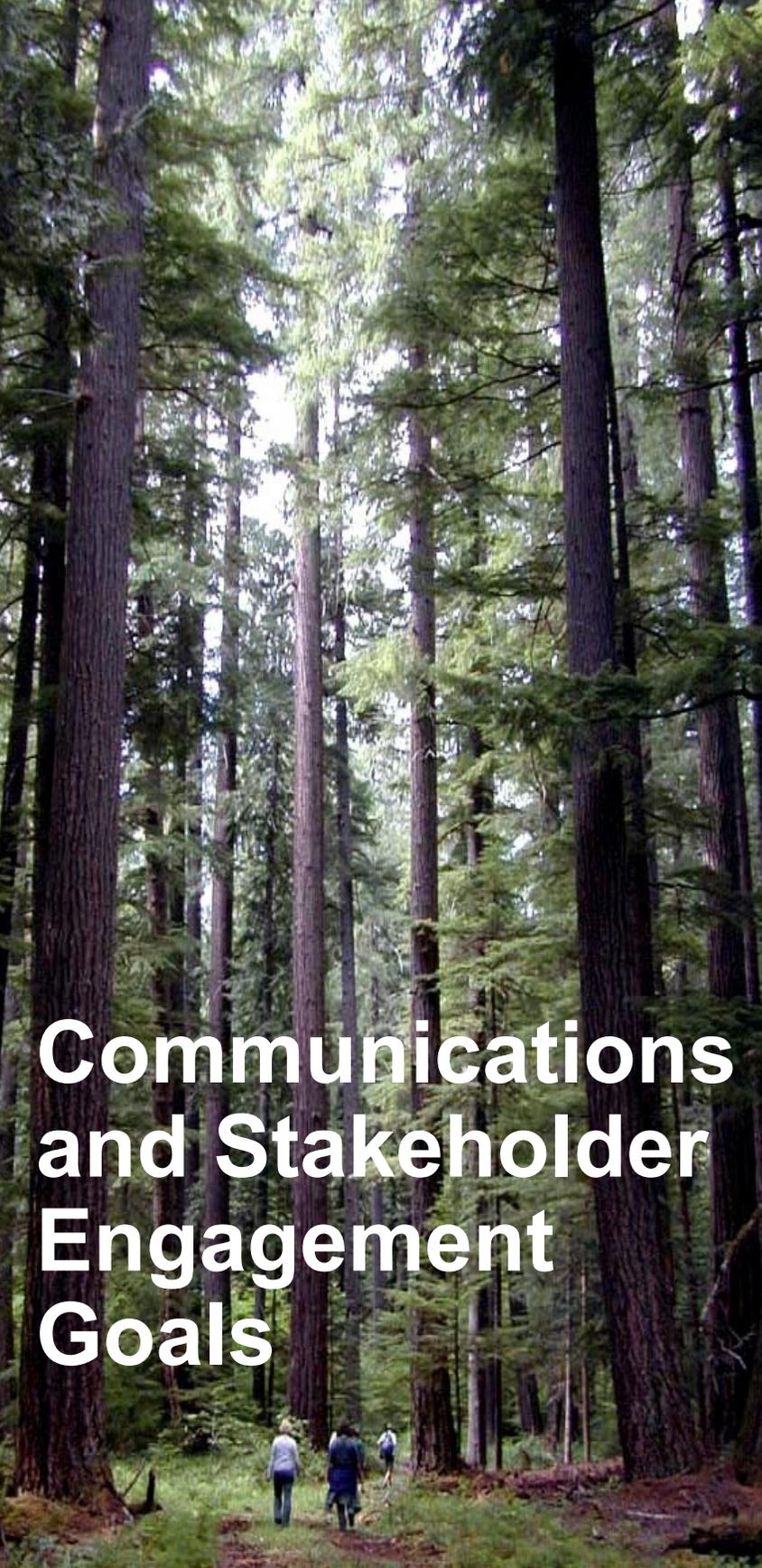
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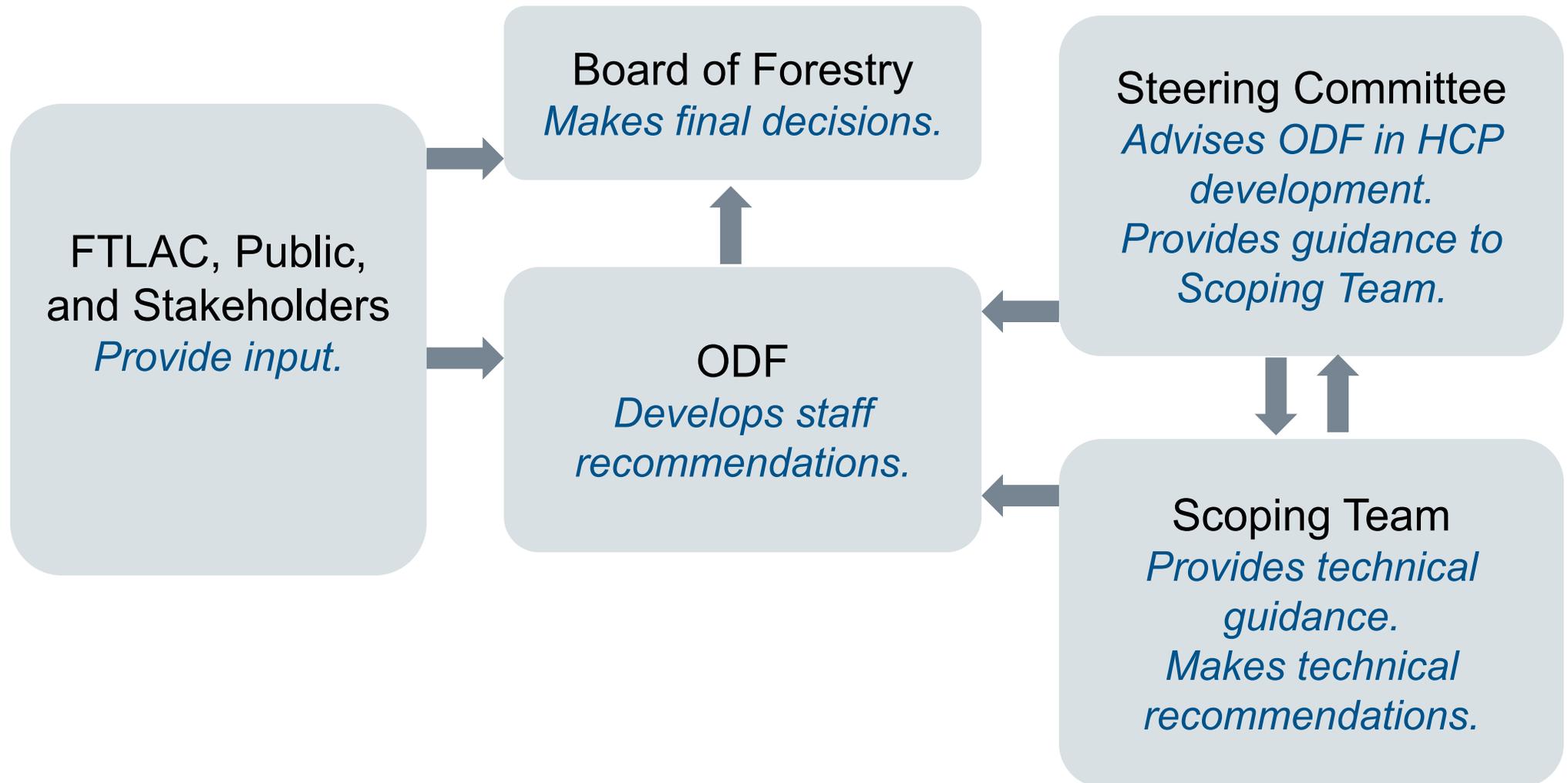
Stakeholder Engagement and Communications Plan

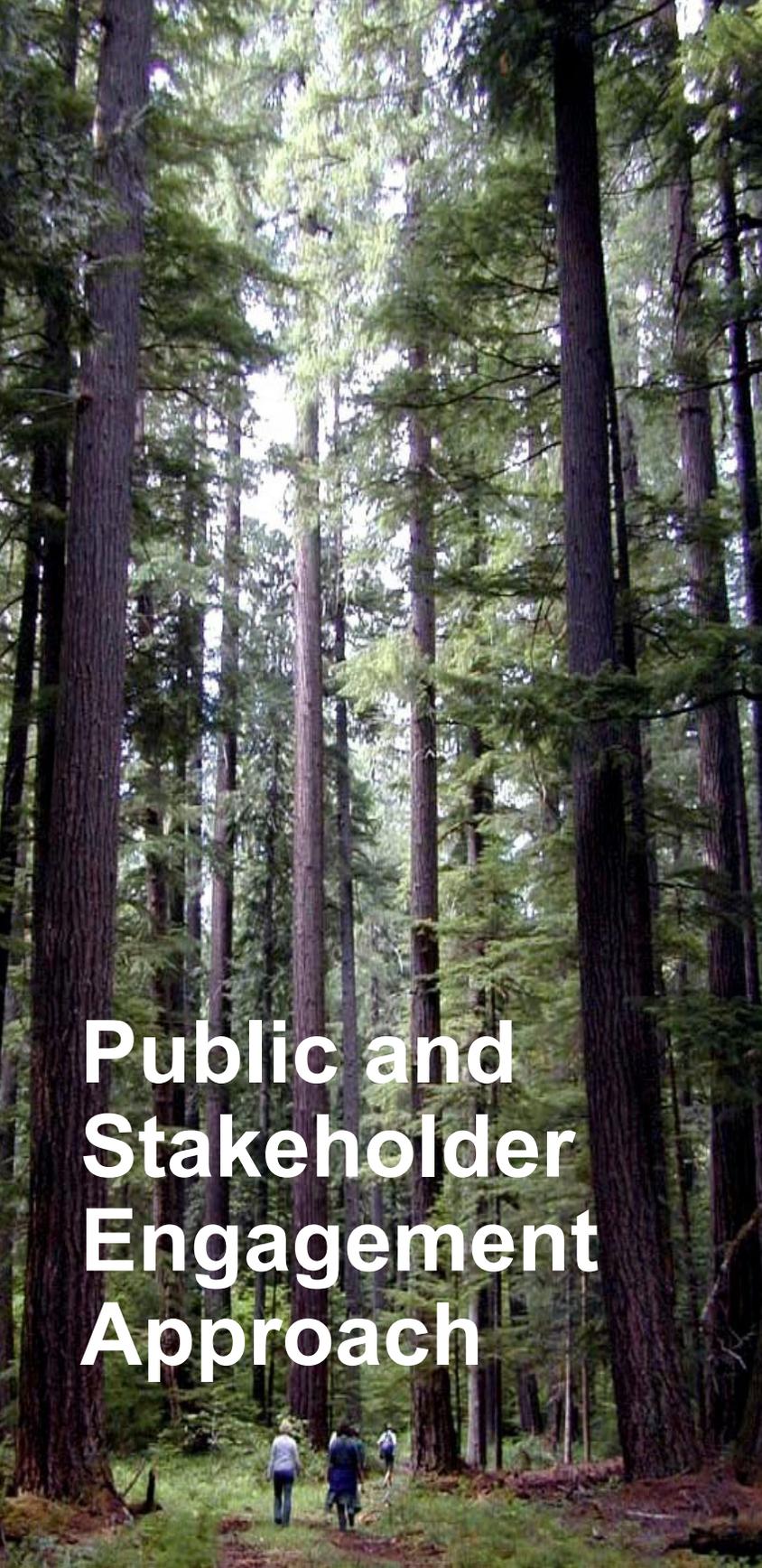


Communications and Stakeholder Engagement Goals

- Provide **opportunity to provide feedback** at key points
- Engage **counties** as part of FTLAC and through other venues
- Keep interested parties **informed**
- Allow diverse interests to **hear and learn from one another's** perspectives
- Provide **clear expectations** for how stakeholder and public input will be considered
- Build a **common understanding** on HCP development and implementation
- **Align engagement** with related processes (i.e., FMP)
- Keep stakeholders informed to promote relevant comments during **NEPA**

HCP Process





Public and Stakeholder Engagement Approach

Process includes:

1. **Meetings Open to the Public** : updates on progress and opportunity for broad discussion (approx. quarterly)
2. **Targeted Stakeholder Engagement Meetings and Activities**: deeper-level follow-up discussions
3. **Meetings of Existing Venues**: BOF, FTLAC, Stakeholder Roundtable, SFAC, etc.
4. **Communications and Public Information**: email and website updates



Date	Type of Meeting	Meeting Topics
March 2019	Meeting open to Public	Public Kick-Off Meeting Introduce and describe the HCP Process.
April 2019	Board Check-in	Board of Forestry Meeting (preceded by FTLAC and Stakeholder Roundtable meetings)
June and Summer 2019	Meeting open to Public Stakeholder Engagement	Meeting for Public and Follow-up Stakeholder Engagement Updates on permit area, permit term, plan area, covered species list, existing conditions, data used, covered activities, and HCP mission, vision and goals. Follow-up with stakeholders for further discussion on existing conditions/data and covered activities and begin to discuss funding and revenue generation.
Fall 2019	Board Check-in	Board of Forestry Meeting (preceded by FTLAC and Stakeholder Roundtable meetings)
Fall 2019	Meeting open to Public Stakeholder Engagement	Conservation Strategy Meeting for Public (Part 1) and Follow-up Stakeholder Engagement Updates on biological goals and objectives, conservation strategy, and effects analysis. Follow-up discussions with stakeholders to inform the development of conservation strategy, as well as discussion of implementation, assurances, and alternatives.
Winter (Dec 2019 – Feb 2020)	Meeting open to Public Stakeholder Engagement	Conservation Strategy Meeting for Public (Part 2) and Follow-up Stakeholder Engagement Public meeting to present summary of effects analysis and updates to the conservation strategy. Follow-up discussions with stakeholders to discuss monitoring and adaptive management.
Spring 2020	Meeting open to Public Stakeholder Engagement	Meeting for Public and Follow-Up Stakeholder Engagement Public meeting to present and discuss estimated cost of the HCP and funding strategy. Follow-up discussions with stakeholders on estimated cost of the HCP and funding strategy.
April 2020	Board Check-in	Board of Forestry Meeting (preceded by FTLAC and Stakeholder Roundtable meetings)
Spring/Summer 2020	Meeting open to Public	Meeting for Public: Present Draft HCP Present 1st Administrative Draft HCP prior to NEPA.
July 2020	Board Check-in	Board of Forestry Meeting (preceded by FTLAC and Stakeholder Roundtable meetings)

Public and Stakeholder Meetings Framework



Western Oregon State Forests HCP Stakeholder Engagement and Communications Plan

Discussion

- Perspectives and thoughts on the stakeholder engagement plan
- Were there topics from today's meeting that you would be interested in discussing further?
- Any topics you want more information on?

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More Information

[https://www.oregon.gov/ODF/AboutODF/
Pages/HCP-initiative.aspx](https://www.oregon.gov/ODF/AboutODF/Pages/HCP-initiative.aspx)

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Thank You!