



On State Forest Management Options

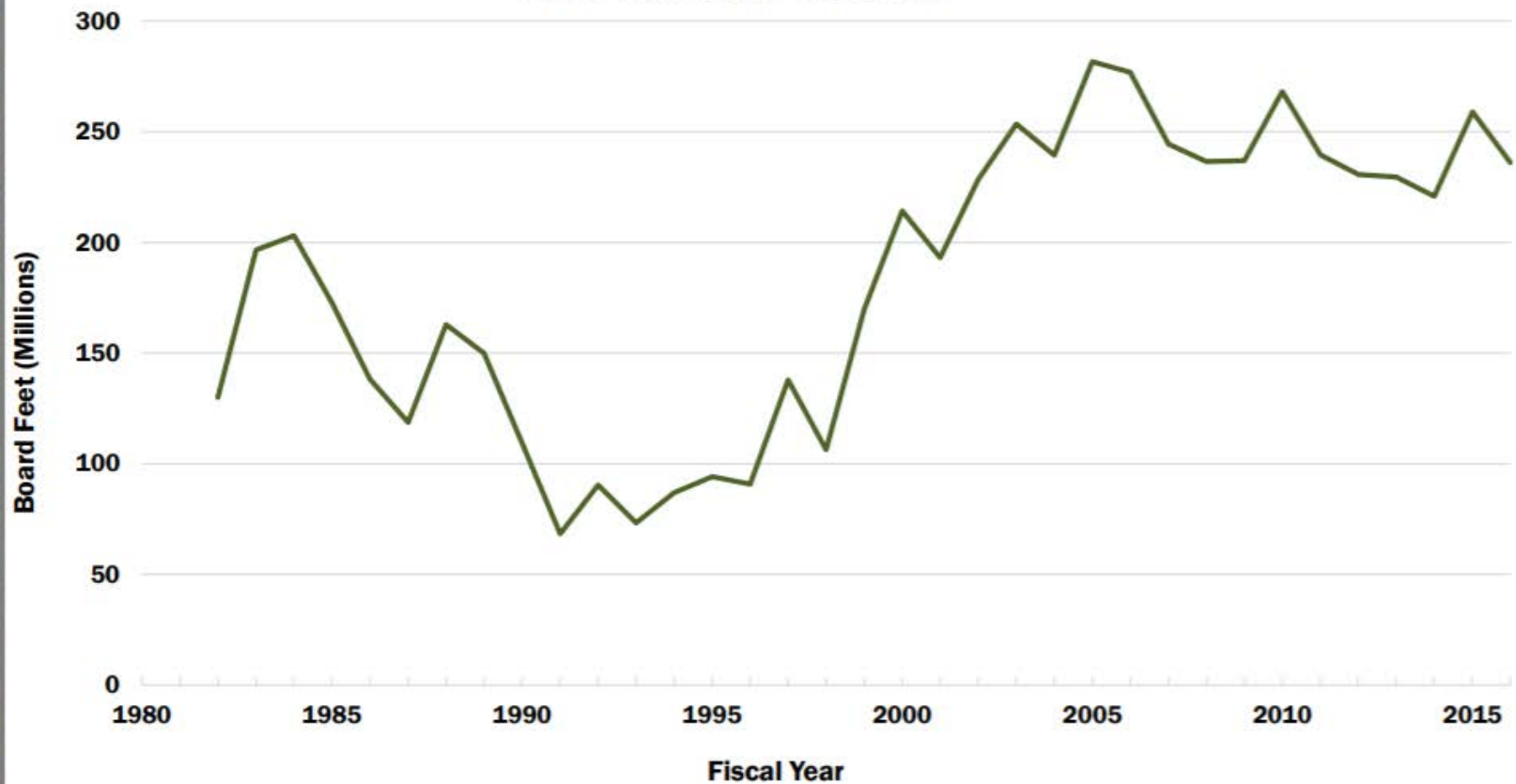
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Sustainable timber harvest for local economies



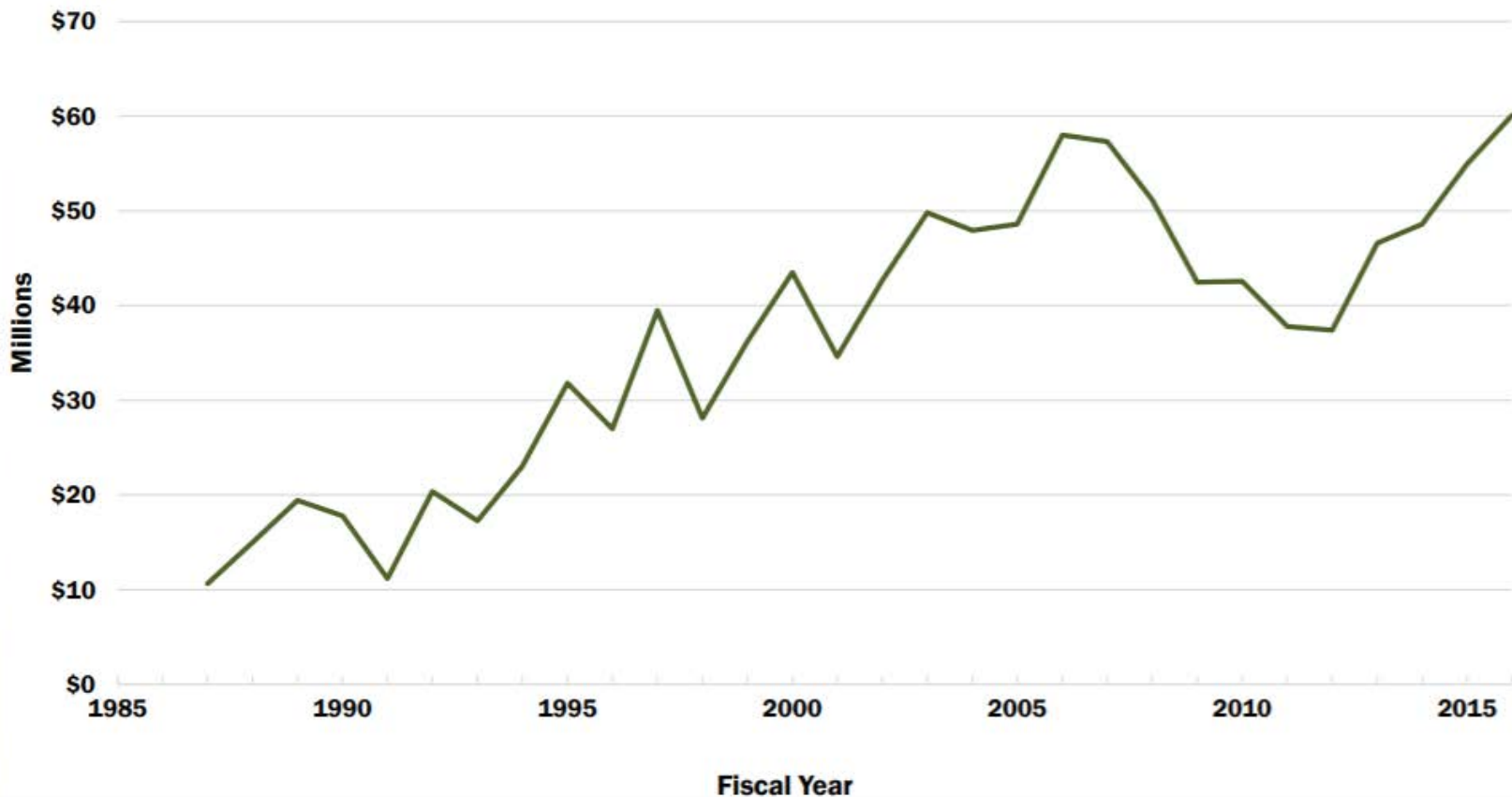
BOF Harvest Volume



County share of revenue to counties, local taxing districts

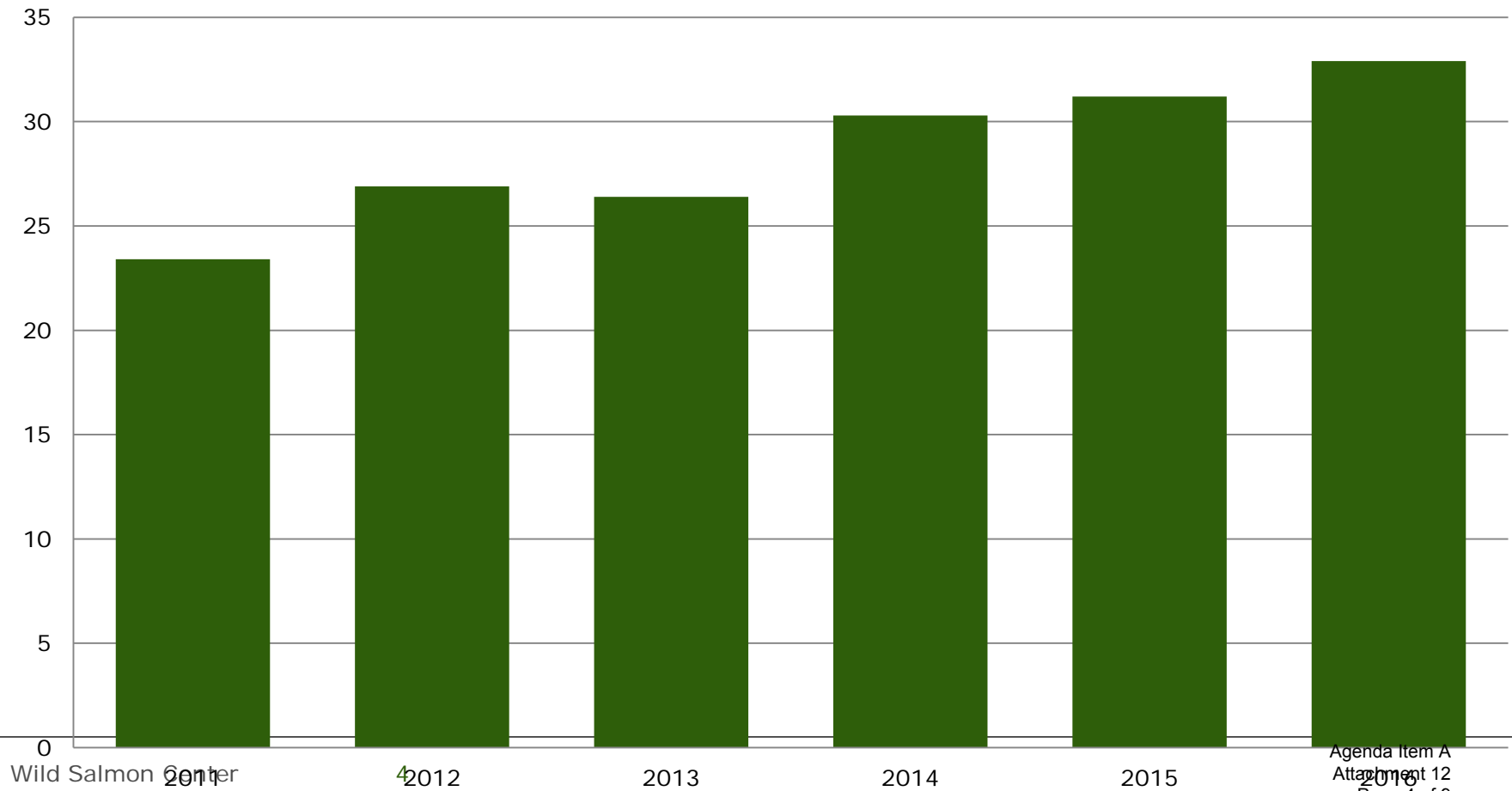


Funds Distributed to Counties



41% increase in six years (inflation 8%)

STATE FOREST COSTS 2011-2016 (millions of dollars)



Despite Record Revenues and Expenditures

- Declining reserve funds
- Declining Staff (252 FTE in 2011 v 233 in 2016)
- Reduced Young Stand Management, gutted monitoring
- Focus on High Value Sales – clearcutting the easy stuff
- Recreation program on hold for years
- No progress on HCP
- Linn County Lawsuit -- \$1,000,000 cost!
- Calls to proactively destroy rare habitat

What next?

- Forest Plan is not the problem – HCP needed
- Problem is costs, distribution of revenues, dependence on timber harvest.
- The solution on costs:
 - Control Costs – private sector, subsidy of other programs
 - Revisit revenue distribution
 - Make the case for public investment
 - Cuts budget – reduce ODF to fit revenue projections
 - Seek specific assessments for specific purposes
 - Trust Land Transfer



**Public investment is
important to maintaining
our forests**



The bottom line

Public investment is critical:

- To protect forests from fire
- To keep forests healthy and working
- To manage our state-owned forests for many benefits
- To help restore federal forests

- Questions?
- Thank you.