

The Future of Landscape Resiliency in Oregon



# **Shared Stewardship Partnerships**



Governor's Office



Oregon Department of Forestry



USDA Forest Service



Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife



Bureau of Indian Affairs



Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board



Bureau of Land Management



Natural Resource Conservation Service

# Oregon's Response to Wildfire Risk: A Journey Towards Resilience



### **Governor's Council on Wildfire Response**

### **Resilient Landscapes Recommendations**

- 1. Leadership & Governance
- 2. Near-Term Capital Infusion
- 3. Prioritization
- 4. Near-Term Restoration Treatments
- 5. Building Project Pipeline
- 6. Capacity Building
- 7. Program Expansion
- 8. Long-Term Barriers

### **Shared Stewardship MOU**

#### **Statement of Mutual Benefit and Interests**

- Shared Vision
- Goverance Process
- 20-Year Strategic Plan
- · Revised Forest Action Plan
- Monitoring and Accountability



Senate Bill 762

# Oregon's Shared Stewardship Governance Structure

### **Strategic Leadership Group**

Oregon Department of Forestry: State Forester
Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife: Director
Oregon Water Enhancement Board: Director
United States Forest Service: Regional Forester
Natural Resource Conservation Service: State Conservationist
Bureau of Land Management: State Director
Bureau of Indian Affairs: Regional Director

### **Sovereign Nations**

Government-to-Government engagement concerning Strategy implementation funding and potential collaborative project opportunities.

### **Scientific & Resource Assessment**

Provide scientifically based information to make resource decisions.

Established iterative process.

### **Communications**

Executes a multi-agency communication strategy. Provides clear, concise, and consistent messaging.

# **Agency Coordination & Implementation Group**

Oregon Department of Forestry
Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife
Oregon Water Enhancement Board
United States Forest Service
Natural Resource Conservation Service
Bureau of Land Management

### **Interagency Tribal Liaisons**

Elevate Tribal voices, sovereignty and culture into decision making.

Establish and maintain effective relations and communications and promote greater awareness and mutual understanding of activities and concerns.

### **Statewide Agency Group**

Advise on implementation approaches, provide expertise, contribute to policy improvements, and help ensure efficient and effective investments.

### **Regional Engagement**

Advance project planning and implementation.

Identify regional needs, barriers, solutions and priorities.

Support regional education and outreach efforts.

# **VISION**

Healthy and resilient landscapes supporting Oregon's social, economic, and ecological needs for future generations.

### **Strategic Elements**

- Reduce wildfire risk to communities
- Adapt ecological systems to persist in a changing climate
- Create functional aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems
- Support vibrant local economies
- Protect healthy watersheds and water resources
- Provide quality outdoor opportunities for all Oregonians
- Promote equity through the stewardship of landscapes

# **Shared Principles**

Principle 1: Fund and support the development of locally led and collaboratively developed landscape assessments and plans that identify priority geographies and actions for landscape resiliency and wildfire risk reduction.

Principle 2: Commit to long-term participation and membership in the shared stewardship governance structure.





# **Shared Principles**

Principle 3: Commit to supporting a science, information, and assessment network by providing information, expertise, and resources.

Principle 4: Commit to identifying and supporting capacity across Oregon by collectively working together to monitor and adapt to make this strategy successful.

# Goals

# **GOAL 1**

### **Landscape Condition**

Shift the incidence, frequency, and severity of wildfires toward a desired condition by maintaining and restoring landscapes in Oregon that are resilient to extreme fire, drought, insects, and diseases.

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# GOAL 2

### **Governance & Engagement**

Maintain a high functioning collaborative governance structure that allows for shared decision making; ensures fairness in distribution of benefits, costs, and risks; supports efficiencies and alignment across boundaries; engages Tribes, community and interest groups, scientists, and local partnerships and collaboratives; and is adaptable to changing conditions.



# GOAL 3

### **Communication & Awareness**

Increase public awareness of the inevitability of wildfire, the importance of understanding how to live safely with wildfire, and current progress towards landscape resilience and wildfire risk reduction.



# Goals

# **GOAL 4**

### **Capacity & Readiness**

Make collaborative planning and implementation capacity of agencies, Tribes, local partnerships, and workforce commensurate with the scale of wildfire risk reduction and landscape resiliency treatments needed across Oregon.



# **GOAL 5**

### **Funding**

Establish a diverse and stable funding portfolio of federal, state, and private sources commensurate with needs to achieve intended quality, pace and scale of resilience treatments and support the capacity and readiness of partner entities.

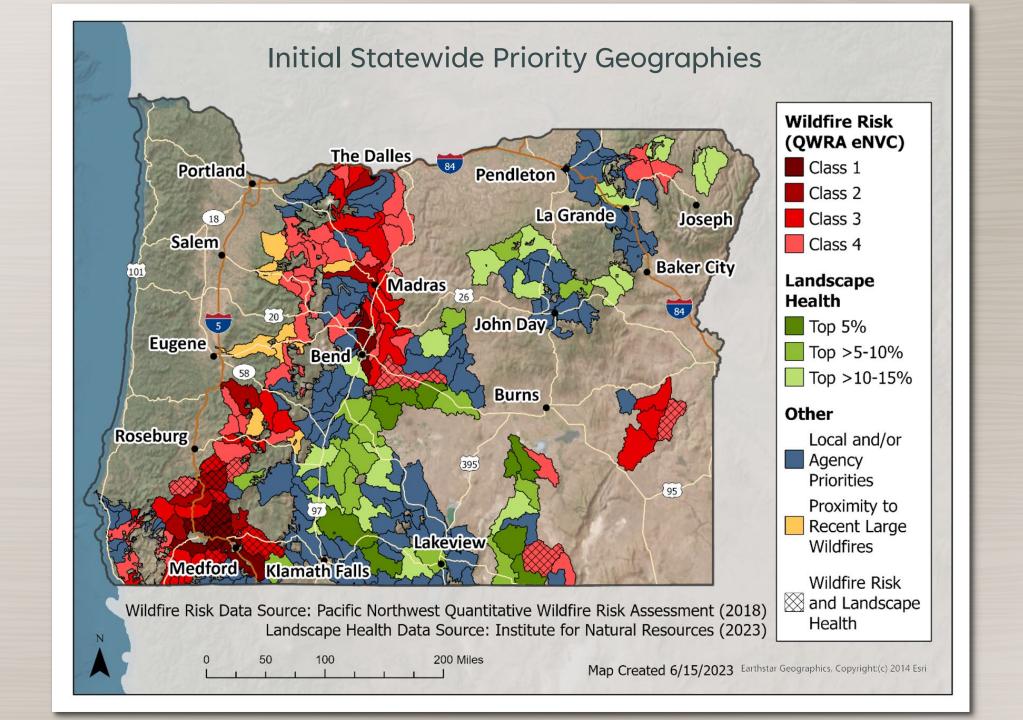


# GOAL 6

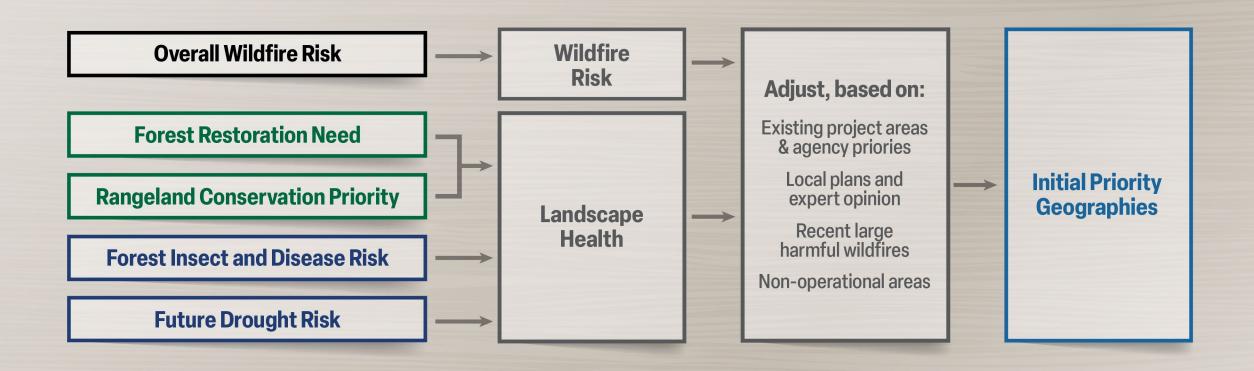
### **Tracking, Reporting & Updating**

Track progress and provide real time reporting that displays relevant information based on progress towards landscape resiliency goals and metrics, including investments, actions, and outcomes that can be displayed publicly. Update the strategy as new information becomes available and is deemed necessary.

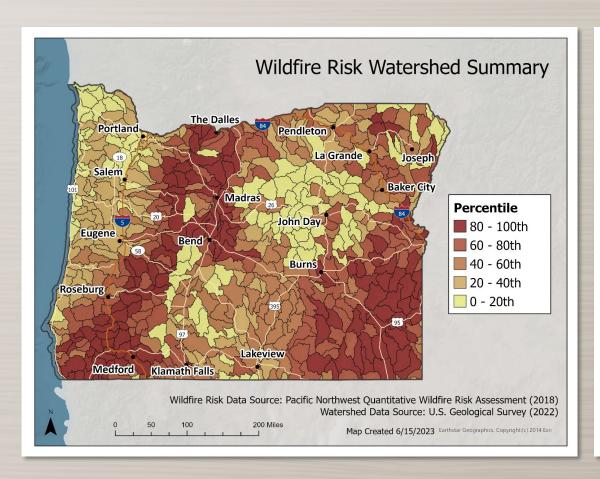


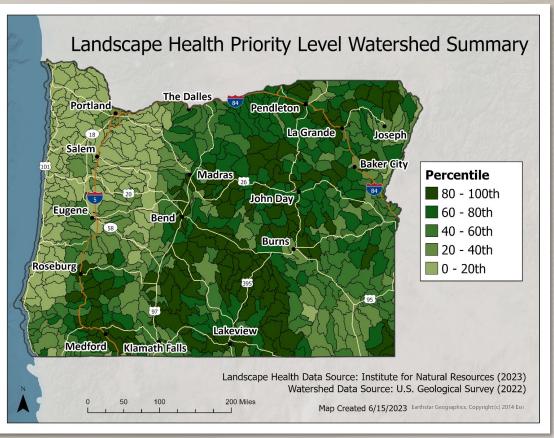


# Geographic Prioritization Process & Methodology

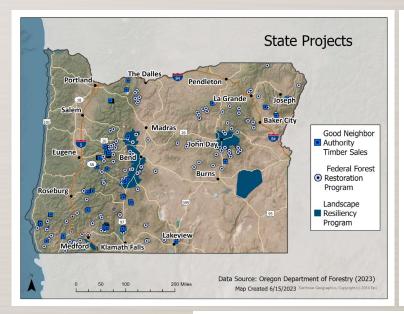


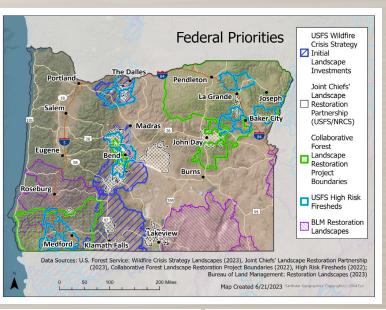
# Wildfire Risk & Landscape Health Watershed Summaries

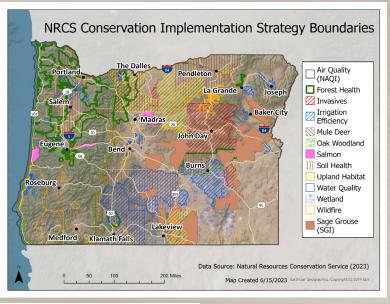


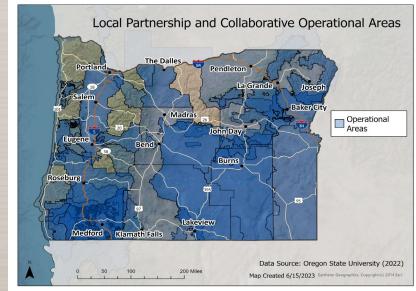


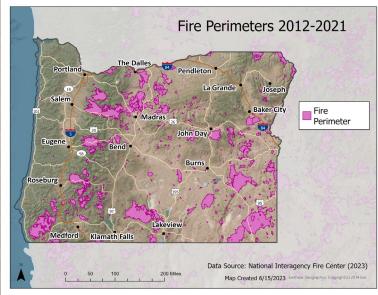
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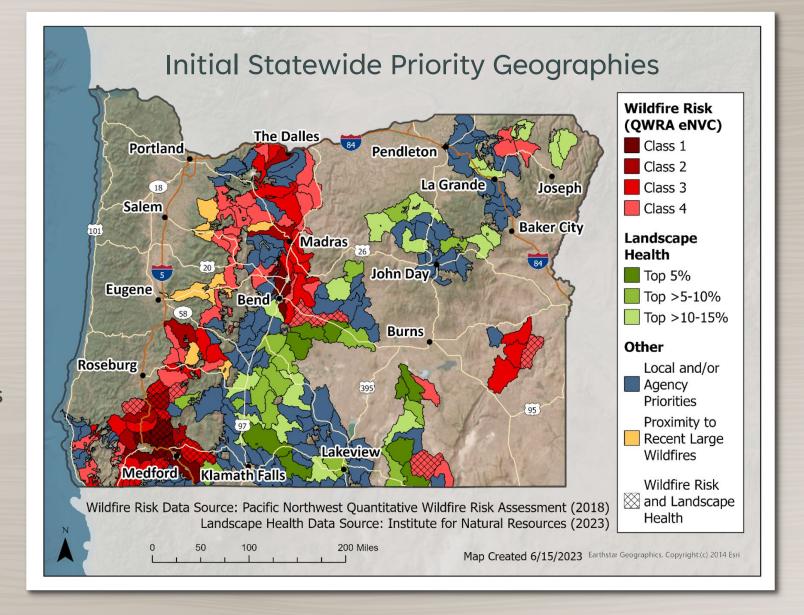




# Strategy for Coordinated Investments & Action

### **PRIORITY ACTIONS »**

- Capacity Building and Collaboration
- Communications and Awareness
- Planning, Implemention, and Workforce Development
- Treatment and Landscape Restoration
- Monitoring and Research
- Innovative Funding



# **Estimated Acres and Costs**

Ecosystem	Acres	Avg Treatment Cost per Acre	Estimated Treatment Cost
Forest	5.2 Million	\$1,000.00	\$5.2 Billion
Rangeland	7.9 Million	\$311	\$2.5 Billion
Total	13.1 Million		\$7.7 Billion



# Vision to Action: Developing an Implementation Plan

- Regional Engagement and Partnership
- Information and Technology
- Capacity Building
- Communications and Awareness

