Framework for Developing Oregon's 20-year Landscape Resiliency Strategy

Stakeholder Meeting #1
September 13, 2022

Introductions

- Name and Organization
- 1 sentence that explains who you are.
- Where do you see yourself in 20-years?

Please try and be precise – keep to 1 min

Overview

"20-year strategic plan that prioritizes restoration actions and geographies for wildfire risk reduction that can be used to direct federal, state, and private investments in a tangible way"

Topics We'll Cover Today

- Overview and Group Operations
- Developing the 20-year Landscape Resiliency Strategy
 - Governance Structure
 - Framework
 - Workstreams
- Next steps

Overview

Foundational Documents

- Shared Stewardship MOU
- Senate Bill 762
- Governors Council on Wildfire Response

Webpage: Oregon Department of Forestry: Oregon's 20-Year Landscape

Resiliency Strategy: Fire: State of Oregon

Framework for Developing the 20-Year Strategy

Operating Principles

- Open, transparent, inclusive, and accountable
- Frequent Communications
- Support and build on Oregon's collaborative approach
- Use adaptive management approaches
- Maintain our all-lands, all-hands approach
- Focus on outcomes with metrics, in addition to outputs

Requests and Commitment

Requests

- Represent a diverse group of stakeholders
- Advise on the development of the strategy
- Come prepared, be present
- Open and honest but most of all respectful

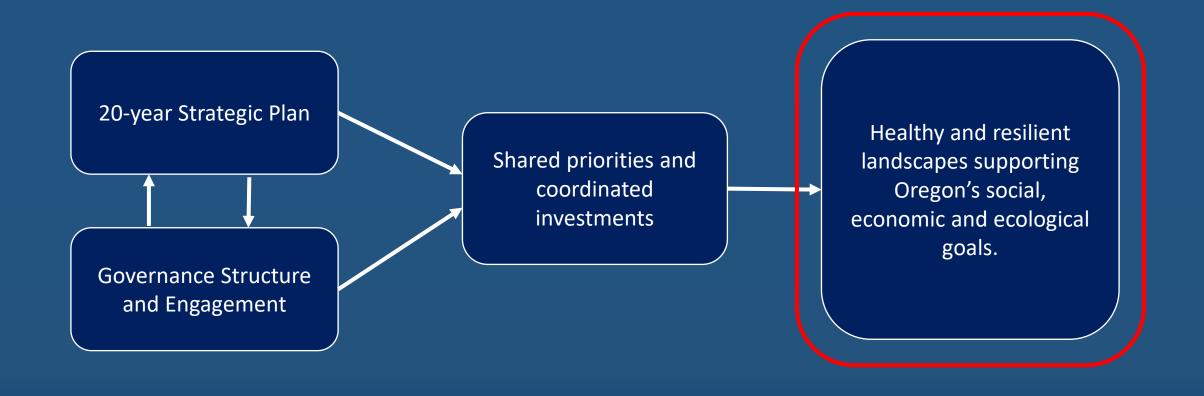
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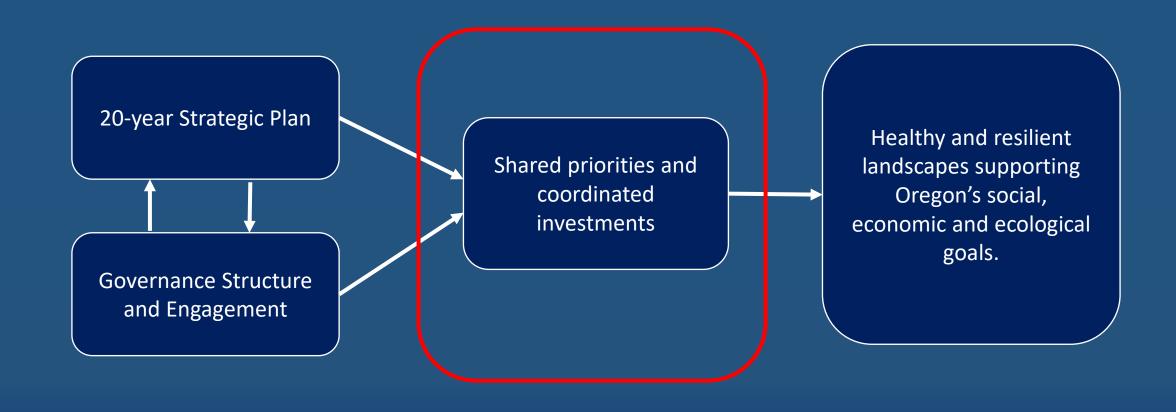
- Monthly 90-minute meetings
- Review materials
- Potential workgroups
- Wrap up by summer 2023

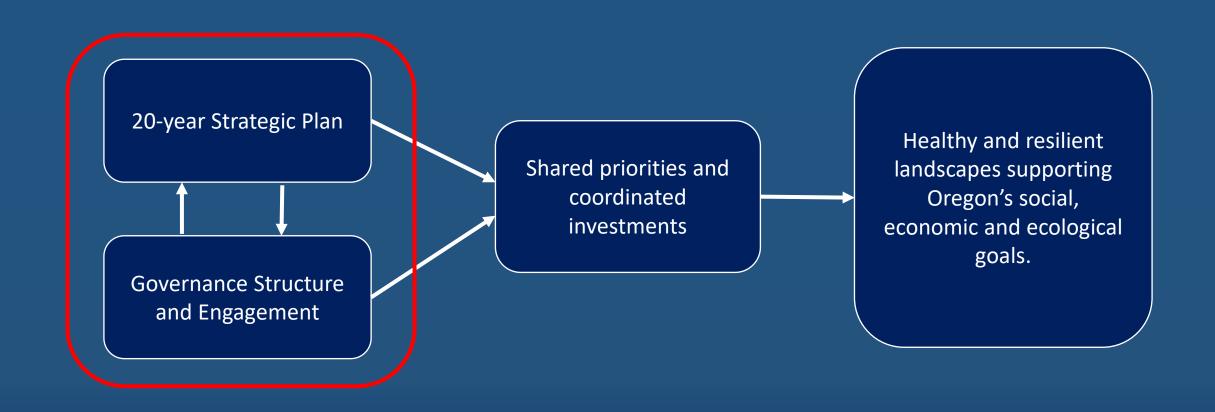
Jumping In

How we will run meetings

- Nathan Beckman (ODF) Coordinate the development of the strategy
- Megan Frizzell (ODF) Project support
- Dan Siemann (American Forests) Support process design and development







Our Task

MOU and SB 762

• Develop a 20-year strategic plan that prioritizes restoration actions and geographies for wildfire risk reduction that can be used to direct federal, state, and private investments in a tangible way.

MOU

• Help set priority treatment areas using values at risk and scenario planning to focus investments on areas that will yield the greatest return.

Vision and Strategic Elements

Vision

• Healthy and resilient landscapes supporting Oregon's social, economic and ecological goals

Strategic Elements

- Reduce wildfire risk to communities
- Enhance resilience in landscapes in the face of climate change
- 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

Path to Oregon's 20-Year Strategic Plan

Phase 1: → July 2022

Phase 2: July - Dec 2022

Phase 3: Jan - Jun 2023

Phase 4: July 2023 →

Build the Foundation

- Shared vision
- Governance structure
- Engagement with Sovereign Nations
- Stakeholder engagement
- Framework for plan development

Compile Information

- ID and gather reports, maps, data, etc.
- Priorities from existing plans
- Produce supporting materials (priority maps, capacity & readiness assessment, etc.)
- Develop goals and targets
- ID steps to achieve goals
- Develop metrics and accountability mechanisms

Draft the Plan

- Draft
- Review
- Finalize and endorse
- Publish

Implement the Plan

- Plan roll-out
- S2 conference?
- Governance meetings
- Accountability reviews
- Adaptive management

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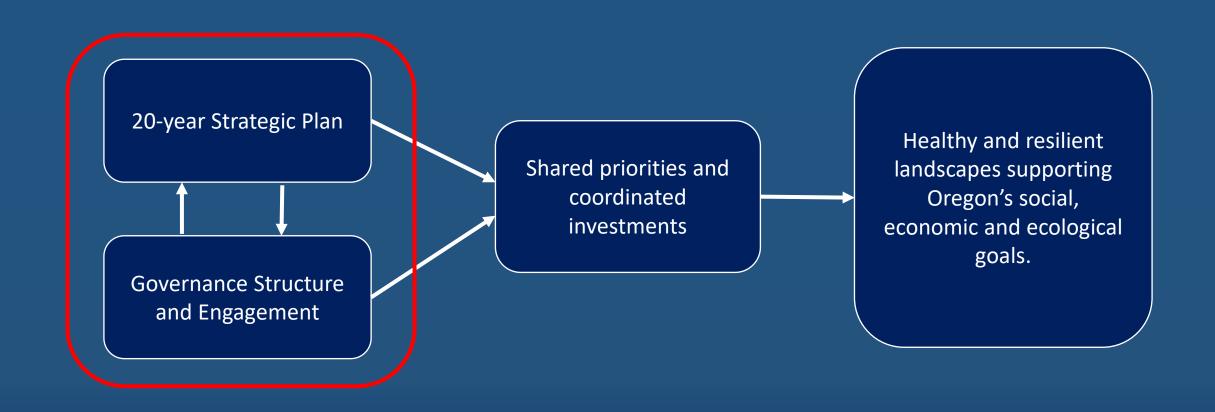
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Oregon's Shared Stewardship Framework







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Strategic Leadership Group

Oregon Department of Forestry: State Forester

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife: Director
Oregon Water Enhancement Board: Director
U.S. Forest Service: Regional Forester
Natural Resource Conservation Service: State Conservationist
Bureau of Land Management: State Director
Bureau of Indian Affairs: Regional Director

Agency Coordination & Implementation Group

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

Communications

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

Scientific & Resource Assessment

- Provide scientifically based information to make resource decisions
- Established iterative process

State Stakeholder Engagement

- Advise on the development of the 20-Year strategy
- Identify state needs, barriers, solutions, and priorities
- State education and outreach efforts
- Provide advice, experience, and lessons learned

Regional Stakeholder Engagement

- Advise on the development of the 20-Year strategy
- Identify regional needs, barriers, solutions, and priorities
- · Regional education and outreach efforts
- Provide advice, experience, and lessons learned

Tribal Engagement

- Advise on the development of the 20-Year strategy
- Identify tribal needs, barriers, solutions, and priorities
- Education and outreach efforts
- Provide advice, experience, and lessons learned

Proposed Stakeholder Roles

- Advise on the development of the 20-Year strategy
- Help identify needs, barriers, solutions, and priorities
- Support education and outreach efforts
- Provide advice, experience, and lessons learned

20-year Strategic Plan: Draft Outline

I. Intro/context/purpose

- S2 MOU & SB 762; why it is needed;
- Statewide challenges (fire, forest health, climate)
- Opportunities (funding, coordinated investments, etc.)
- II. Vision and strategic elements
- III. Governance and engagement
- IV. Shared Priorities
 - Geographic; types of activities
- V. Goals and targets
 - Actions to achieve goals
- **VI.** Investment Strategy
 - Existing and additional funding, programs and authorities
 - Financial Implementation Plan
- VII. Accountability mechanisms and metrics
- VIII. Near term actions

Appendices

- Existing plans and processes
- How the plan was developed: Participants
 & Process
- References

Products Needed to Produce the 20 year Plan July-December 2022

- 1. Relevant reports, plans, maps, data, decision-support tools, etc.
- 2. Compilation of priorities from existing plans
- 3. Prioritization Mechanism and resulting priorities
- 4. Capacity & readiness assessment
- 5. Process for setting goals targets and actions, and results
- 6. Investment Strategy
- 7. Metrics and accountability mechanisms

Workstreams and Pre-Requisites

Workstreams	Pre-requisites
1. Identify relevant reports, plans, maps, data, decision support tools, and other information	
2. Compile priorities and goals from existing plans	1. Identify relevant reports, plans, maps, data, decision support tools, and other information
3. Capacity & readiness assessment	 Identify relevant reports, plans, maps, data, decision support tools, and other information Compilation of priorities and goals from existing plans.
4. Prioritization mechanism and resulting priorities (Needs Assessment/Gap Analysis)	 Identify relevant reports, plans, maps, data, decision support tools, and other information Compilation of priorities and goals from existing plans.
5. SMART Goals and Targets, and steps to achieve goals	2. Compilation of priorities and goals from existing plans.3. Capacity & readiness assessment4. Prioritization mechanism and resulting priorities.
6. Financial Implementation Plan	 Compilation of priorities and goals from existing plans. Capacity & readiness assessment. Prioritization mechanism and resulting priorities. Goals and Targets, and steps to achieve goals
7. Metrics and accountability mechanisms	 Identify relevant reports, plans, maps, data, decision support tools, and other information Compilation of priorities and goals from existing plans. Capacity & readiness assessment. Prioritization mechanism and resulting priorities. Goals and Targets, and steps to achieve goals Existing funding sources, programs and authorities and additional financing opportunities.

1. Relevant reports, plans, maps, data, decision support tools, and other information

Strategic Element	Relevant reports, plans, maps, data, decision support tools, etc.
	(Examples)
Reduce wildfire risk to communities	Governors Wildfire Council Report – Gov Office
	Mitigation Report
	10 Year Wildfire Crisis Strategy - USFS
	Forest Action Plan – ODF
	County Long Range Plans – NRCS
	Restoration Needs Assessment –TNC and USFS
	Bioregional Assessment of Northwest Forests - USFS
Enhance resilience in landscapes in the face of climate change	Climate Change and Carbon Plan - ODF
	Oregon Climate Assessment
	Forest Action Plan – ODF
Create functional aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems	State Wildlife Action Plan - ODFW
	Oregon Conservation Strategy (OCS) - ODFW
Support vibrant local economies	Forest Action Plan – ODF
	Restoration Needs Assessment –TNC and USFS
Protect healthy watersheds and water resources	OR's Integrated Water Resources Strategy (IWRS)
	Forest Action Plan – ODF
	Restoration Needs Assessment –TNC and USFS
Provide quality outdoor opportunities for all Oregonians	Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) – Gov Office
	Restoration Needs Assessment –TNC and USFS
Promote equity through the stewardship of landscapes	•

3. Capacity & Readiness Assessment

Purpose

- Identify where conditions are in place for near-term implementation
- Identify where conditions are not in place and what the gaps are
- Identify what needs to be done to create the necessary conditions for implementation

Considerations (examples)

- Human
- Legal
- Planning and Implementation
- Infrastructure
- Community/social

4. Prioritization

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4. Prioritization: Guidance from the Framework Document

Key questions to resolve include:

- What types of priorities are included (e.g., locations; actions; investments; local capacity; monitoring; research; data collection)?
- How are priorities presented?
- What criteria is used and how is it weighted?
- What data and decision-support tools are used?
- What process is used to establish priorities?
- How can priorities be altered over time?
- How can interested parties provide input at each stage of the process?

4. Prioritization: Guidance from the Framework Document

Proposed Process

- 1. ACIG will develop an initial proposal for a prioritization mechanism that includes types of priorities, criteria, data inputs, decision support tools and a process for prioritization
- 2. This initial proposal will be vetted with Tribes and stakeholders and ultimately vetted and endorsed by the SLG.
- 3. The endorsed prioritization process will be implemented, resulting in draft priorities.
- 4. Tribes and stakeholders will vet the resulting draft priorities and consider refinements; priorities will be vetted and ultimately endorsed by the SLG.

5. SMART Goals and Targets, and Steps to Achieve Goals

MOU and SB 762

• Develop a 20-year strategic plan that prioritizes restoration actions and geographies for wildfire risk reduction that can be used to direct federal, state, and private investments in a <u>tangible</u> way.

Framework Document

• Develop goals and targets, and steps to achieve goals

SMART Goals

Specific

Measurable

Attainable

Relevant

Time-bound

SMART Goals...

Specify who does what, and how much, by when.

Proposed Approach to Goal Setting

Develop SMART goals based on

- a. Goals and priorities from existing plans
- b. Needs identified by Prioritization and Capacity and Readiness Assessment
- c. Strategic Elements

6. Financial Implementation Plan

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MOU:

 <u>Develop a financial implementation plan</u> that incorporates public-private partnership, including conservation finance to increase scale, by investing in appropriately-scaled infrastructure in rural communities."

Governor's Council On Wildfire Response

- The state should build a long-term sustainable funding model....
 - These funds should be obtained from multiple sources, including federal and state investments, and timber and other revenues.
 - The strategic financial plan should incorporate state parameters for investment, to ensure optimal return-on-investment

6. Financial Implementation Plan

Proposed Tasks

- 1. Identify **existing** funding sources, programs, and authorities that can be directed to priority actions and geographies.
- Identify opportunities for new (or expanding existing) funding programs, sources or authorities.
- 3. Link existing and new funding to priorities, readiness/capacity, and goals.
- 4. Engage with federal and state partners to integrate shared priorities and goals into funding programs and activities.

6. Financial Implementation Plan

Questions

- Include non-government funding sources?
- If so, how to gain this information?

7. Metrics and Accountability Mechanisms

MOU

• Develop a <u>set of metrics that measure progress</u> on creating the outcomes of healthy, resilient forests; vibrant local communities; healthy watersheds with functional aquatic habitat; and quality outdoor opportunities.

SB 762:

 Develop <u>consistent performance measurements and condition-based</u> metrics for monitoring and communicating the effectiveness of state investments and project actions in reducing wildfire risk on public or private forestlands and rangelands and in communities.

Thank you!