



Forest Collaborative Grant Webinar

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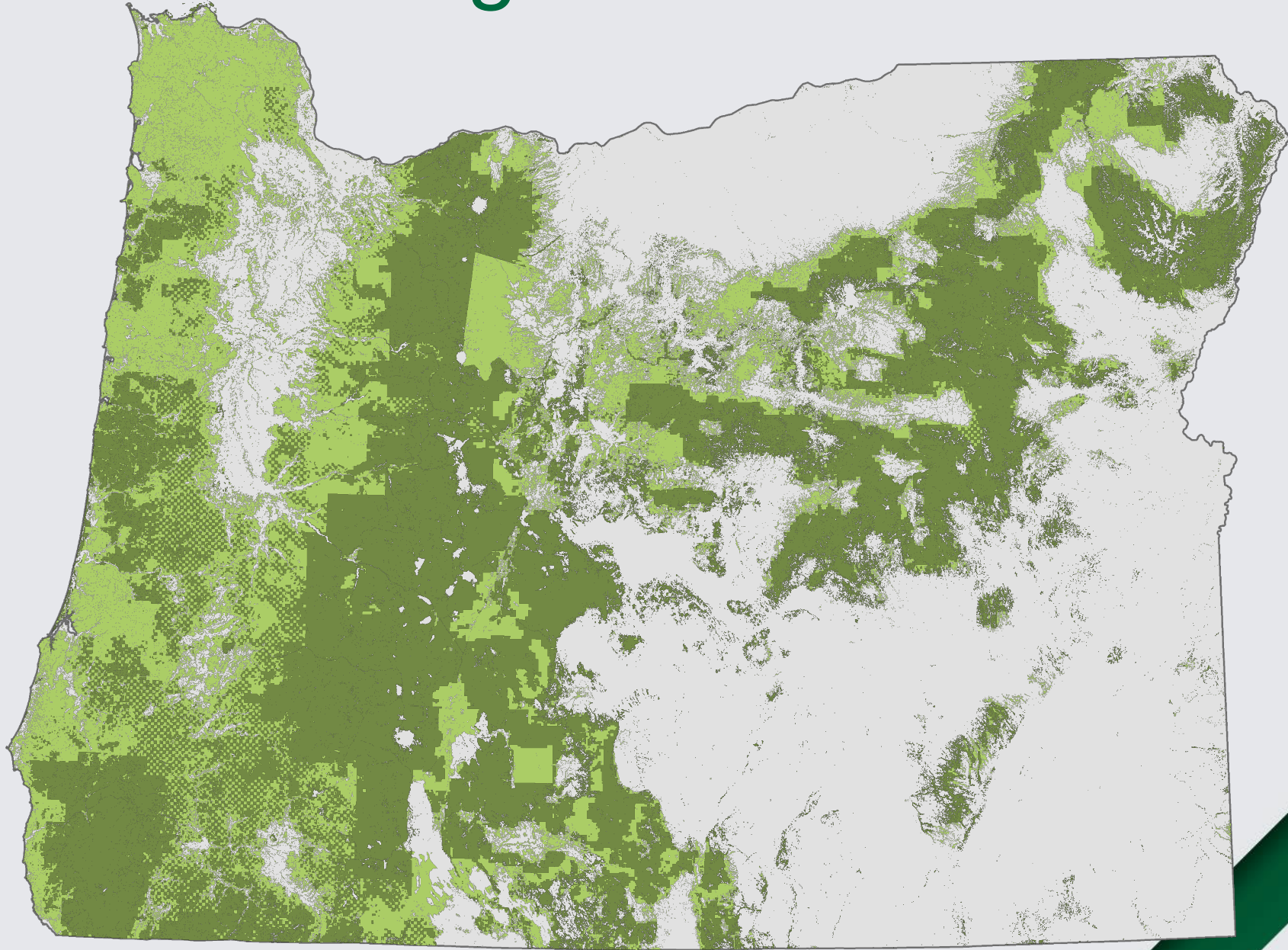
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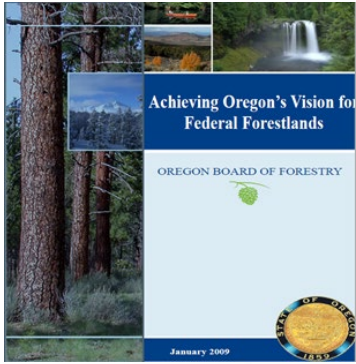
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Oregon's forests





Board of Forestry committee issues report

2009



Federal Forest Restoration Program begins



Congress passes Good Neighbor Authority

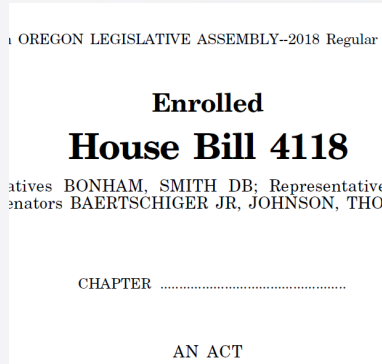
2013

2014



Oregon signs master GNA agreement

2016



HB 4118 passes

2018



Governor convenes Council on Wildfire Response

2019



Oregon Legislature passes SB 762

2021



20-year landscape resilience strategy

2023



Mission and Legislation

Core Mission – Accelerate the **pace, scale and quality** of forest restoration to increase the resilience of Oregon's federal forests.

Guiding State Legislation ORS 526.275– "...a policy of the state to pursue projects under the [GNA] **that**

- **increase timber harvest volume,**
- **contribute to job creation,**
- **reduce wildfire risks to all lands,**
- **improve wildlife habitat and watershed health and**
- **stimulate local economies."**



Program components

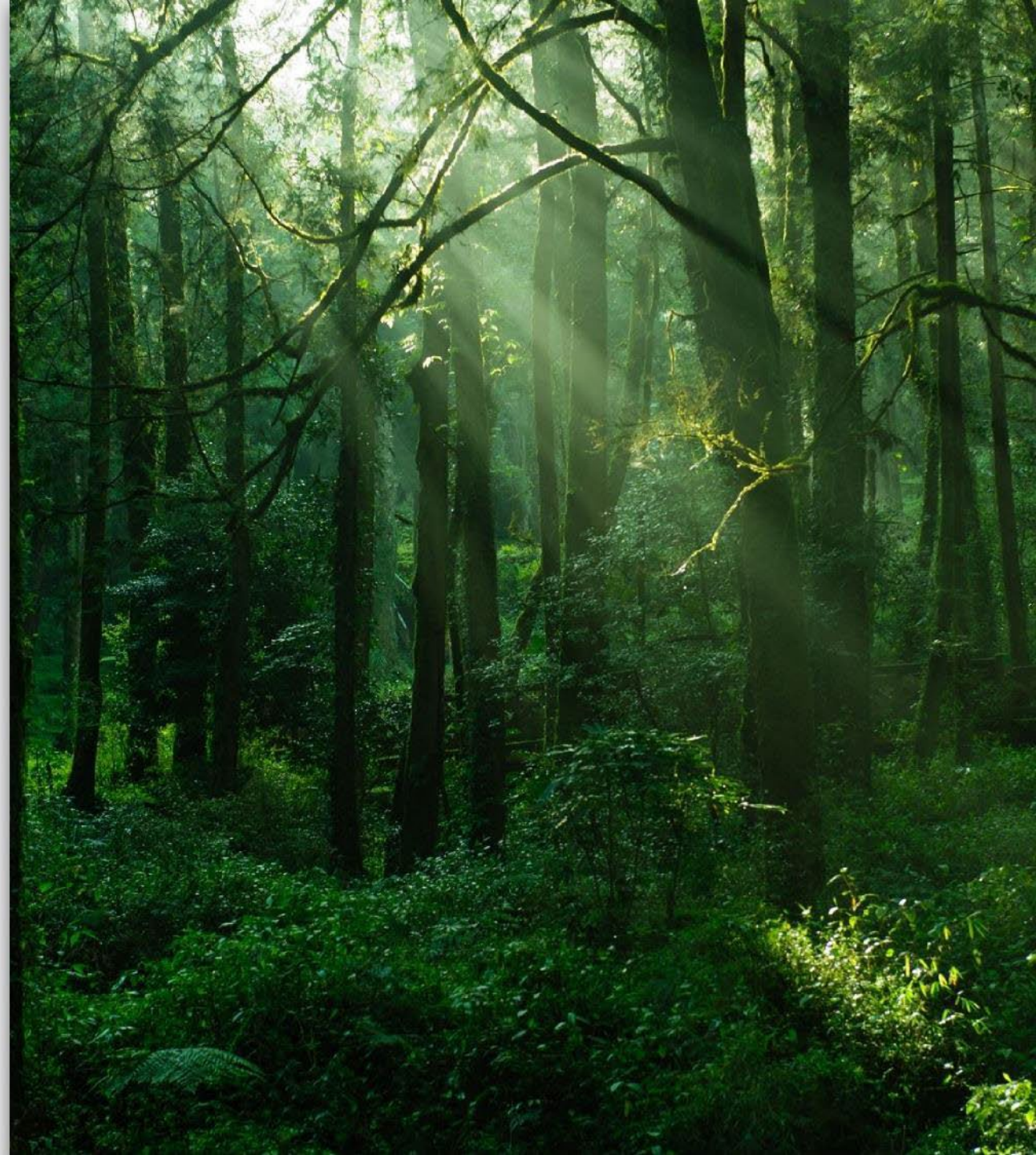
- Collaborative support
- Planning and project preparation
- Implementation
- Monitoring





Forest Collaborative Grants

- Goal: increase the number, acreage and complexity of collaboratively planned projects in Oregon.
 - ZOA and governance
- Administered in partnership with OWEB



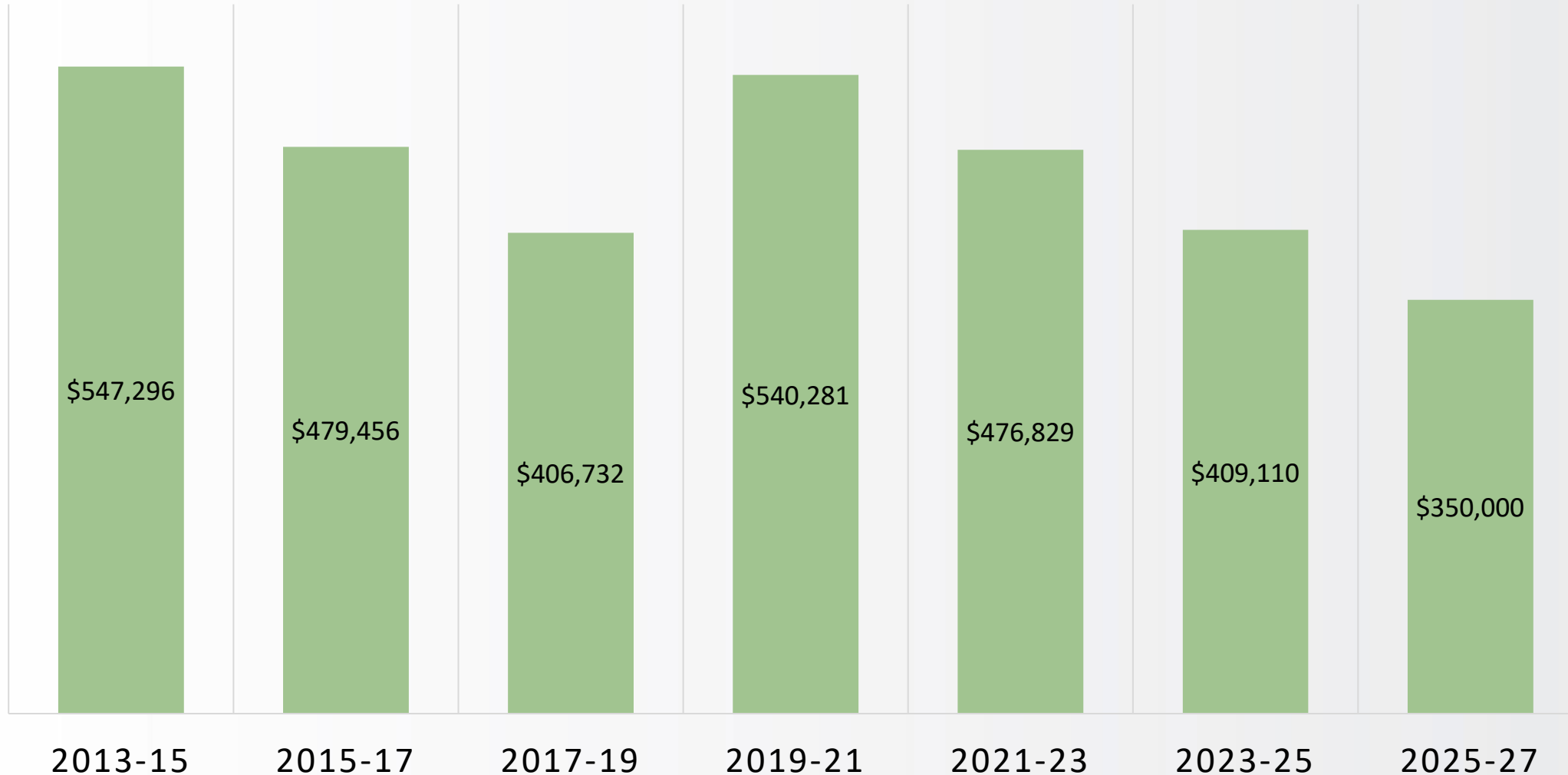


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FOREST COLLABORATIVE GRANT INVESTMENTS



- \$5,872,467 invested in supporting forest collaboratives
- \$39,226,017 invested in FFRP overall



Changes for 2025-27 offering

- 5% match, up from \$1
- An additional question related to similar investments in the forest collaborative or applicant geography
- Added climate related questions
- For ZOA applications, requesting discussion of existing or potential areas of disagreement and strategies to resolve them
- Certain documents are required to be uploaded as part of the application



Required Uploads

- At least one color map
- Formal Organizational Structure Documentation
- Proof of Engagement with USFS and BLM
- Meeting Minutes
- USFS and/or BLM Letter of Support



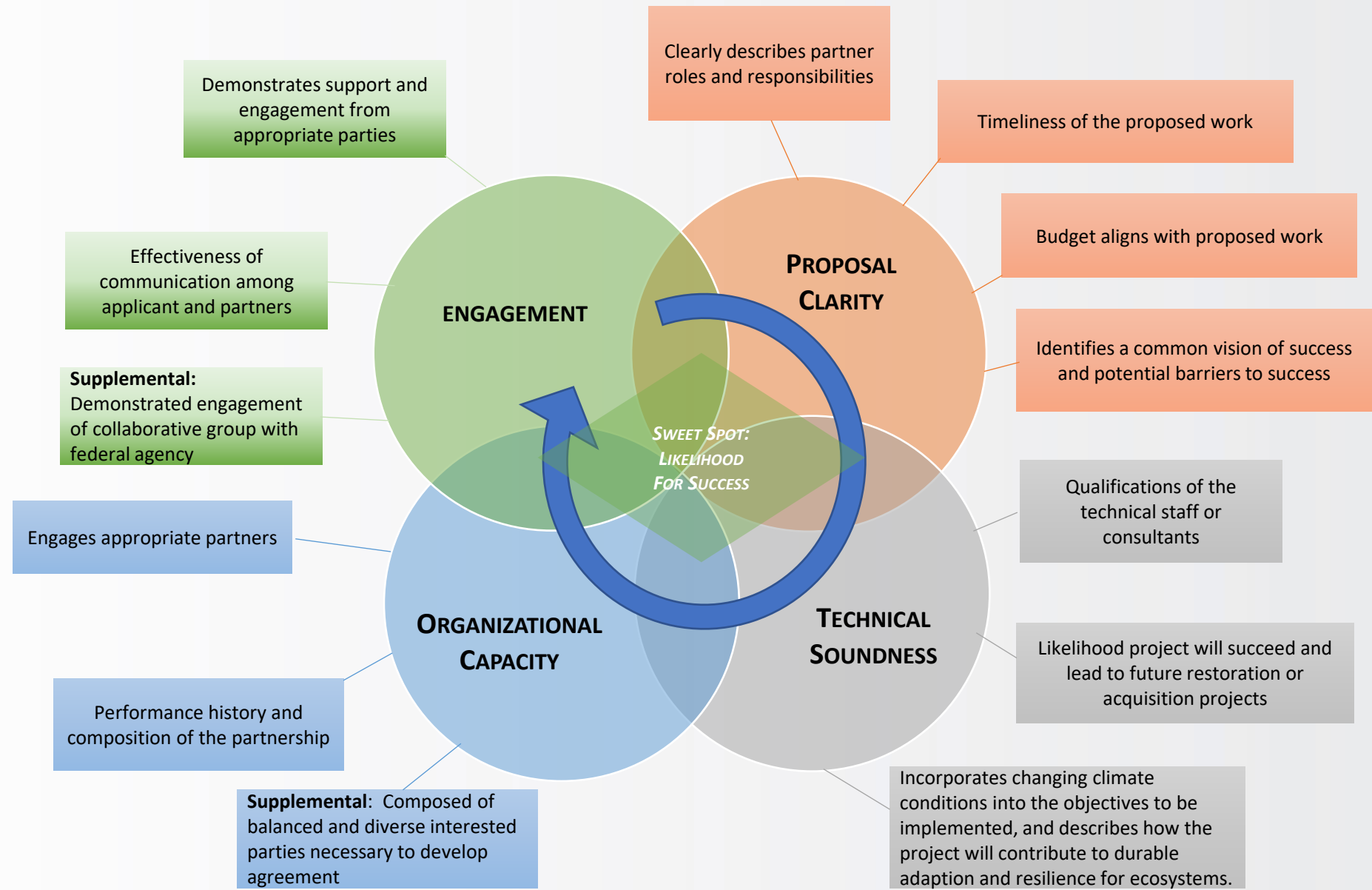


Optional Uploads

- Federally Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate (FNICR) agreement
- Other
 - Uploads that further the explanation of the problem statement and proposed solution
- Secured Match Forms

Evaluation Criteria

Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 695-005-0045 and 695-030-0045(3)a-j





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Questions?

