



Natural & Working Lands Fund

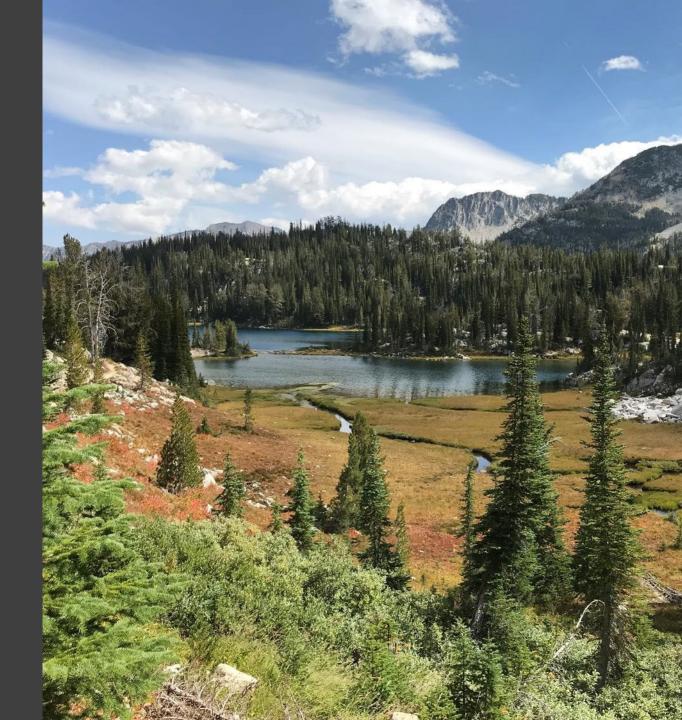
- Proposal preview today
- Full written proposal in advance of January GWC meeting
- Public comment and anticipated allocations in January by GWC
- Legislative budget adjustments in February

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Global Warming Commission

Goals

- Cohesive proposal across the four eligible agencies 13 areas of investment
- Consistent with statutory direction
- Clear connection to tribes and environmental justice communities, landowners and land managers
- ❖ Natural climate solutions with cobenefits
- Leverage federal and other funds



Collective Package

- Distributes funds across natural and working lands
- Funds a combination of technical assistance, incentives, on-the-ground projects
- Based on existing programs
 - Not business as usual
 - Encourage new practices
- ❖ Focus on immediate actions to sequester and store carbon while supporting forward-looking needs and solutions



OWEB Summary

- Restoration, technical assistance, conservation management planning and implementation
- ❖ Total request: \$2.5M
 - \$1.5M for restoration/technical assistance on natural lands
 - \$750k for conservation
 management planning and
 implementation and
 easements/covenants on farm and
 ranch lands
 - \$250k admin costs



OWEB Summary

- Will identify appropriate projects submitted to Open Solicitation and Oregon Ag Heritage Program
- Will apply existing rules for both programs and may customize some of the guidance
- Will select projects with clearly identified climate benefits
 - Carbon sequestration
 - Ecosystem resiliency
- Priority to EJ Communities and Tribes



ODFW Summary

- Focus: on-the- ground ecological restoration projects
 - Co-benefits for carbon sequestration, working lands, and fish and wildlife habitat
- Focus: leveraging federal funds
 - \$25M, low estimate
- ❖ Total Request: \$3,038,270
 - \$2,433,270 in projects
 - \$605,000 for 2 FTE assigned to federal fund acquisition and technical assistance



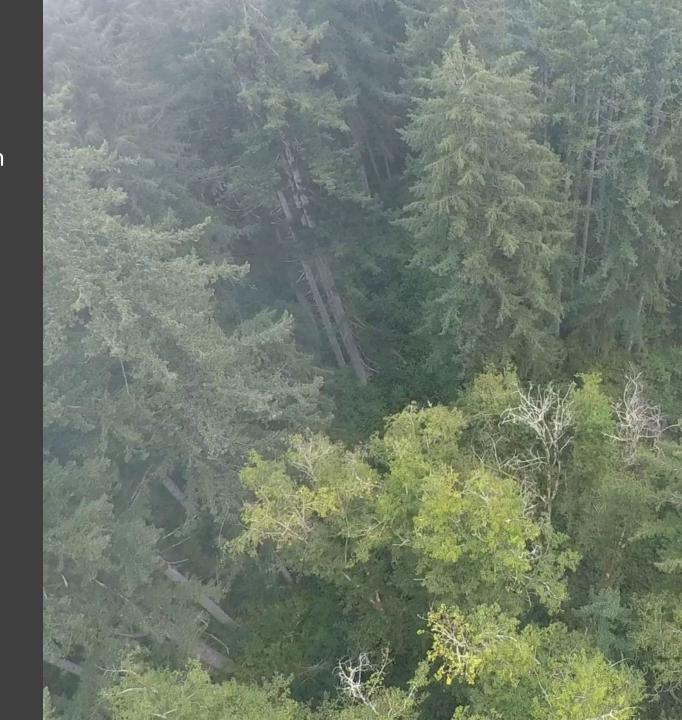
ODFW Summary

- Balanced geographic distribution:
 - Coastal estuary, blue carbon restoration in the Umpqua Basin
 - Floodplain and oak woodland restoration in Willamette Valley
 - Perennial bunchgrass restoration and invasive species removal in Eastern Oregon - Columbia Basin
- Direct links to INR Natural & Working Lands Report recommended practices
- Tribally-led projects on tribal land
- Projects on private and ODFW land



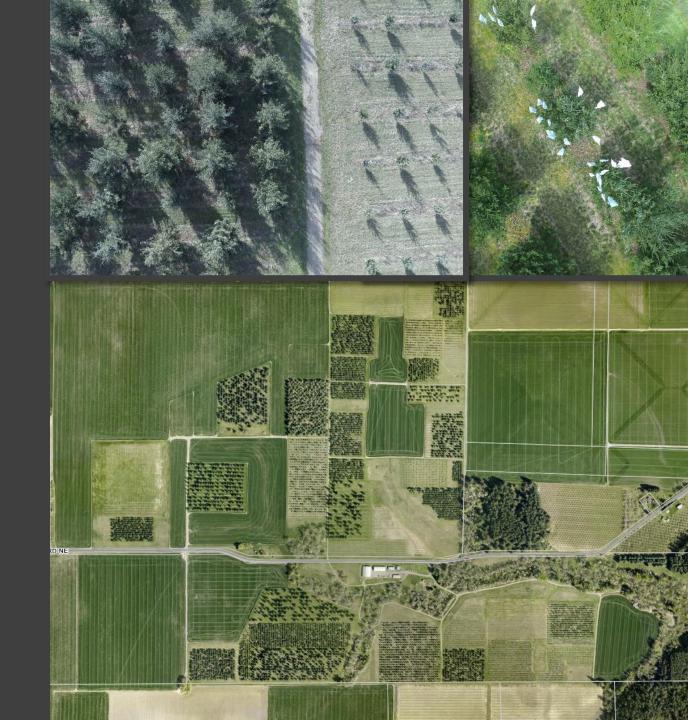
ODF Summary

- Implementation of Climate Change and Carbon Plan with focus on Climate-Smart Forestry
- Track A: Small landowners and forest managers \$1.5M
- Track B: Tribal forests and traditionally marginalized landowners \$1.0M
- Forestlands and areas of reforestation on other natural and working lands.
 - Will work with Tribes SWCDs, WC, and CBOs to work on the ground.
 - Potential for leveraging federal funds for various projects.
- Aim is to increase sequestration and adaptation while ensuring that forests remain a social and economic benefit for Oregonians.



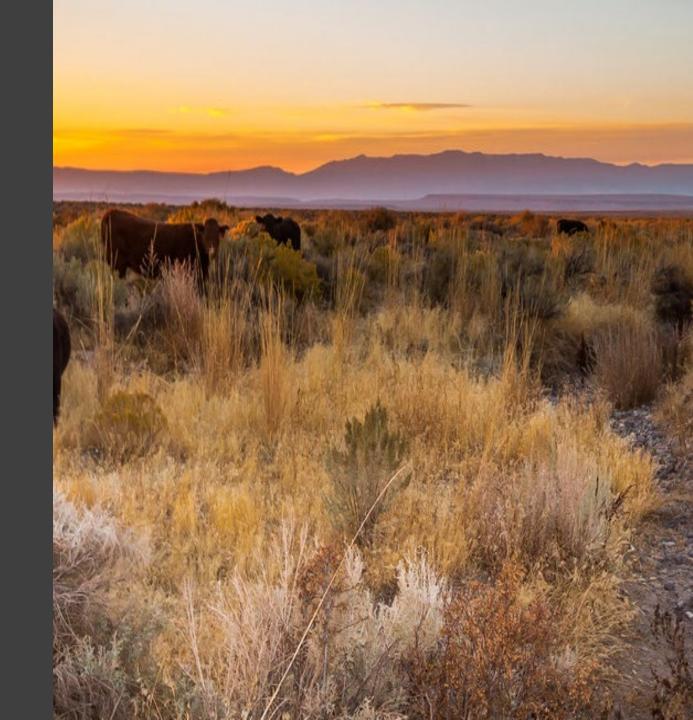
ODF Summary

- Build capacity for climate ready seed and seedlings
- **♦** \$750k
- Establish new orchards at existing ODF facility
 - Provide seed for adapted species
 - Diversify the variety of species that are available to Tribes and small forest landowners.
 - Built on existing, successful program.
- Increase adaptation of forests to ensure continual sequestration and maintain forests even with shifts in forest types.



ODA Summary

- Technical assistance and regional coordination for range, ag and forest resilience projects focused on invasive annual grasses
- ❖ \$360k, leverages minimum \$1.7M+ FF
- Public, private, tribal lands
- Healthy, functional rangelands are crucial to carbon sequestration and resilience to wildfires and climate change



ODA Summary

- Implementation of Oregon Native Seed Strategy; Ensures access to reliable supply of genetically appropriate native seed through collection, storage and production
- **❖** \$530k
- All natural and working land types
- Provides \$100k in Tribal assistance/incentives
- ❖ Native seedstock is critical to conservation and restoration of natural working lands and the ecosystem services they provide:
 - o carbon sinks
 - o resilience to climate change and wildfire
 - habitat



Proposed Spend Plan

Opportunity to adjust annually

Collective Proposal

FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	Total
Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	iotai
\$4,197,670	\$5,017,600	\$255,000	\$130,000	\$80,000	\$9,680,270



Estimated Spend Across Agencies

Collective Proposal

OWEB	\$2,500,000		
ODFW	\$3,038,270		
ODF	\$3,250,000		
ODA	\$892,000		
TOTAL	\$9,680,270		

13 investment areas:

11 linked to/anticipated Federal Funds (BPA, NRCS Farm Bill, NOAA, USFWS, BLM, USFS)

