

2014 FARM BILL IMPLEMENTATION



“ Throughout the life of the 2014 Farm Bill, NRCS Oregon continued to implement a Strategic Approach to Conservation to help farmers, ranchers and forest owners address priority natural resource concerns on private lands. This report provides a snapshot of what Oregon’s conservation community has achieved together through the 2014 Farm Bill. Of course, we could never make this happen without the support and commitment of hundreds of family farms who choose to work with NRCS. We extend a heartfelt thanks to Oregon farmers for being outstanding stewards of the land, and for producing the food and fiber that nourishes and sustains communities across the state, the region, and the nation. ”

— *Ron Alvarado*
 NRCS Oregon State Conservationist

HELPING PEOPLE



HELP THE LAND



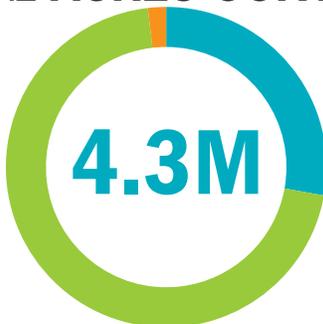
- EQIP - Environmental Quality Incentives Program
- RCPP-Regional Conservation Partnership Program
- CSP - Conservation Stewardship Program

TOTAL CONTRACTS



■ EQIP	■ CSP	■ RCPP-EQIP
2,452	987	263

TOTAL ACRES CONTRACTED



■ EQIP	■ CSP	■ RCPP-EQIP
1.2M	3M	79,823

PROGRAM INVESTMENTS



■ EQIP	■ CSP	■ RCPP-EQIP
\$49.6M	\$51.5M	\$4M



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LOCALLY-LED CONSERVATION IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

The majority of financial assistance provided by NRCS Oregon comes through a Strategic Approach to Conservation. **Conservation Implementation Strategies (CIS)** are developed at the county or multi-county level to address a specific natural resource concern in the community, with input from local landowners and partners. Each CIS typically spans three to five years and utilizes EQIP as the primary funding program.

1,390 Contracts
741,651 Acres
\$49.8M Obligated
\$25.5M Payments



SGI SAGE GROUSE INITIATIVE



166 Contracts
179,322 Acres
\$18.1M Obligated
\$10.5M Payments

AIR QUALITY INITIATIVE



43 Contracts
2,243 Acres
\$2.5M Obligated
\$1.8M Payments

ORGANIC INITIATIVE



55 Contracts
8,870 Acres
\$1.1M Obligated
\$542,700 Payments

WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE



27 Contracts
1,918 Acres
\$1.6M Obligated
\$1.3M Payments

SEASONAL HIGH TUNNEL INITIATIVE



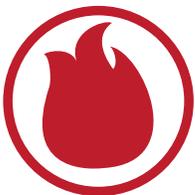
158 Contracts
442 Acres
\$1M Obligated
\$714,225 Payments

DROUGHT RECOVERY



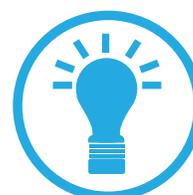
218 Contracts
222,413 Acres
\$5.5M Obligated
\$2.7M Payments

WILDFIRE RECOVERY



58 Contracts
451,671 Acres
\$7M Obligated
\$2.3M Payments

ON FARM ENERGY INITIATIVE



48 Contracts
27,758 Acres
\$598,448 Obligated
\$291,575 Payments



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JOINT CHIEFS INITIATIVE

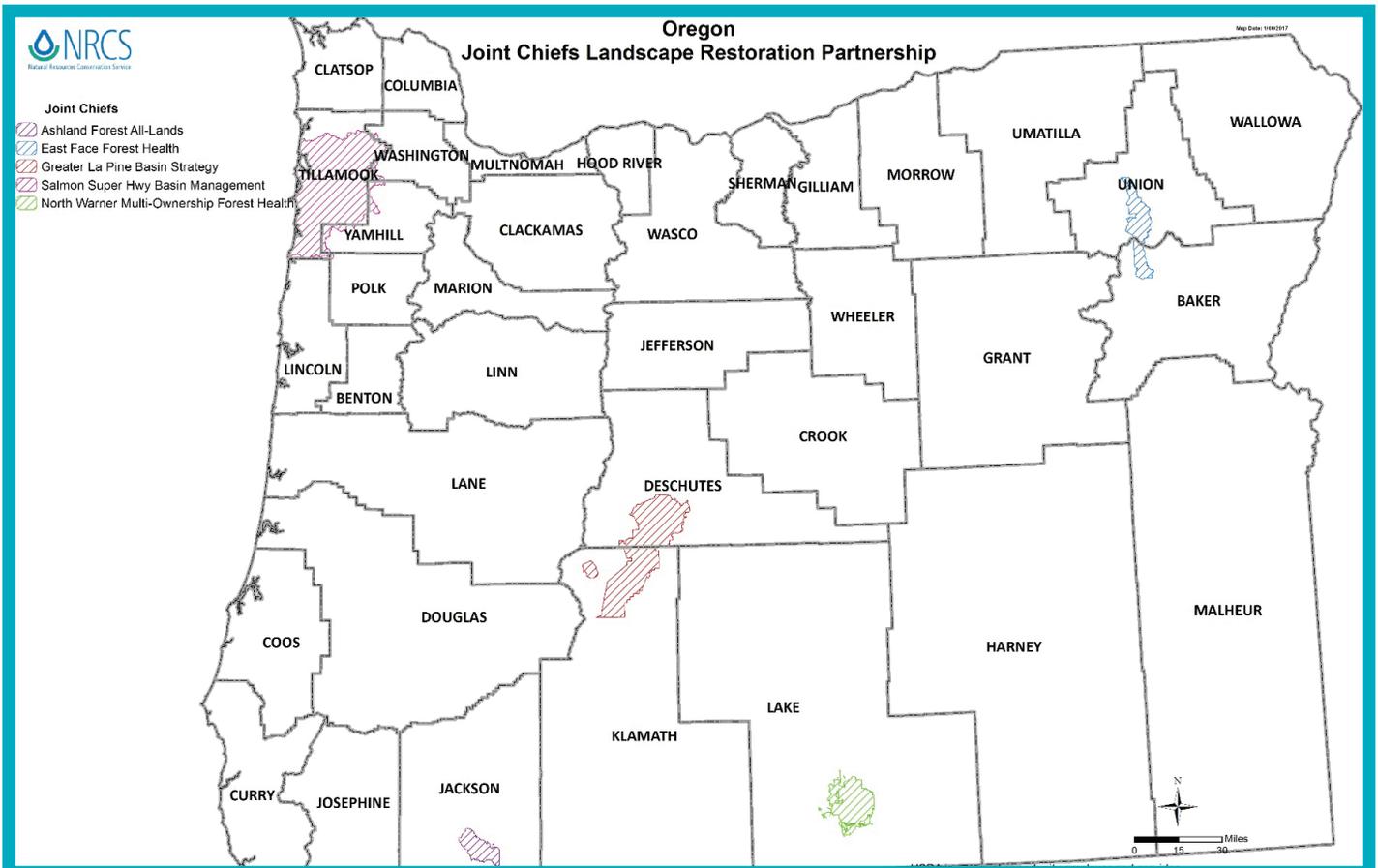
This initiative is a partnership with U.S. Forest Service to perform fuels reduction treatments on private lands adjacent to public lands, creating a cross-boundary defensible space to reduce catastrophic wildfire risk. Joint Chiefs Projects throughout the 2014 Farm Bill in Oregon are:

- East Face of the Elkhorn Mountains Project, in partnership with the Willowa Whitman National Forest
- Ashland Forest All Lands Restoration Project, in partnership with the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest
- Greater La Pine Basin Cohesive Strategy, in partnership with the Deschutes National Forest
- Salmon Superhighway Project, in partnership with the Siuslaw National Forest
- North Warner Multi-Ownership Forest Health Project, in partnership with the Fremont-Winema National Forest

113 Contracts
7,975 Acres
\$5.3M Obligated
\$2.5M Payments



JOINT CHIEFS PROJECT MAP





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REGIONAL CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

The 2014 Farm Bill introduced a new program that amplified the reach of conservation — the Regional Conservation Partnership Program. Oregon partners capitalized on this exciting new funding opportunity, submitting quality proposals every year - many of which were funded. Oregon is among the top states for RCPP participation.

38 Proposals

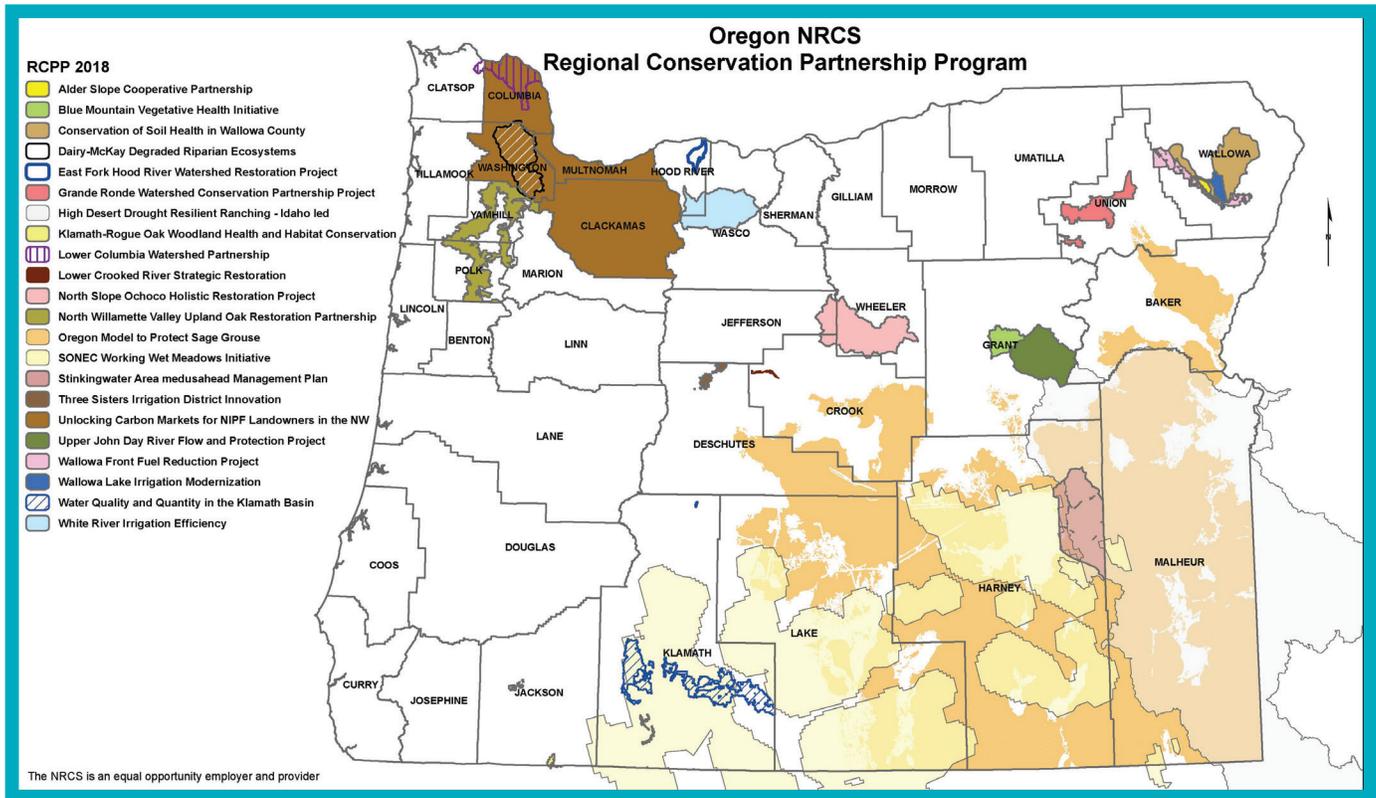
22 Projects Funded

\$88M USDA Invested

\$1.1B Partner Match



RCPP PROJECT MAP



CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

- ALE- Agricultural Land Easement
- ALE -Grasslands of Special Significance
- WRE - Wetlands Reserve Easements

YEAR	Agricultural Land Easements (ALE)			ALE - Grasslands of Special Significance			Wetland Reserve Easements		
	Count	Acres	Obligations	Count	Acres	Obligations	Count	Acres	Obligations
2014							1	18	\$43,617
2015				1	12,225	\$1,300,00			
2016	2	2,181.8	\$372,750						
2017				1	3,755	\$450,000	2	112	\$389,300
2018	2	7,265	\$1,547,500	3	24,113	\$4,535,100			
TOTAL	4	9,446.8	\$1,920,250	5	40,093	\$6,285,100	3	130	\$432,917