

Trout Creek Ranch and Pueblo Mountains Conservation Project

Formed in 2017, the Oregon Desert Land Trust has already conserved more than 20,000 acres of private lands critical to ecological, economic and community health in Oregon's high desert.

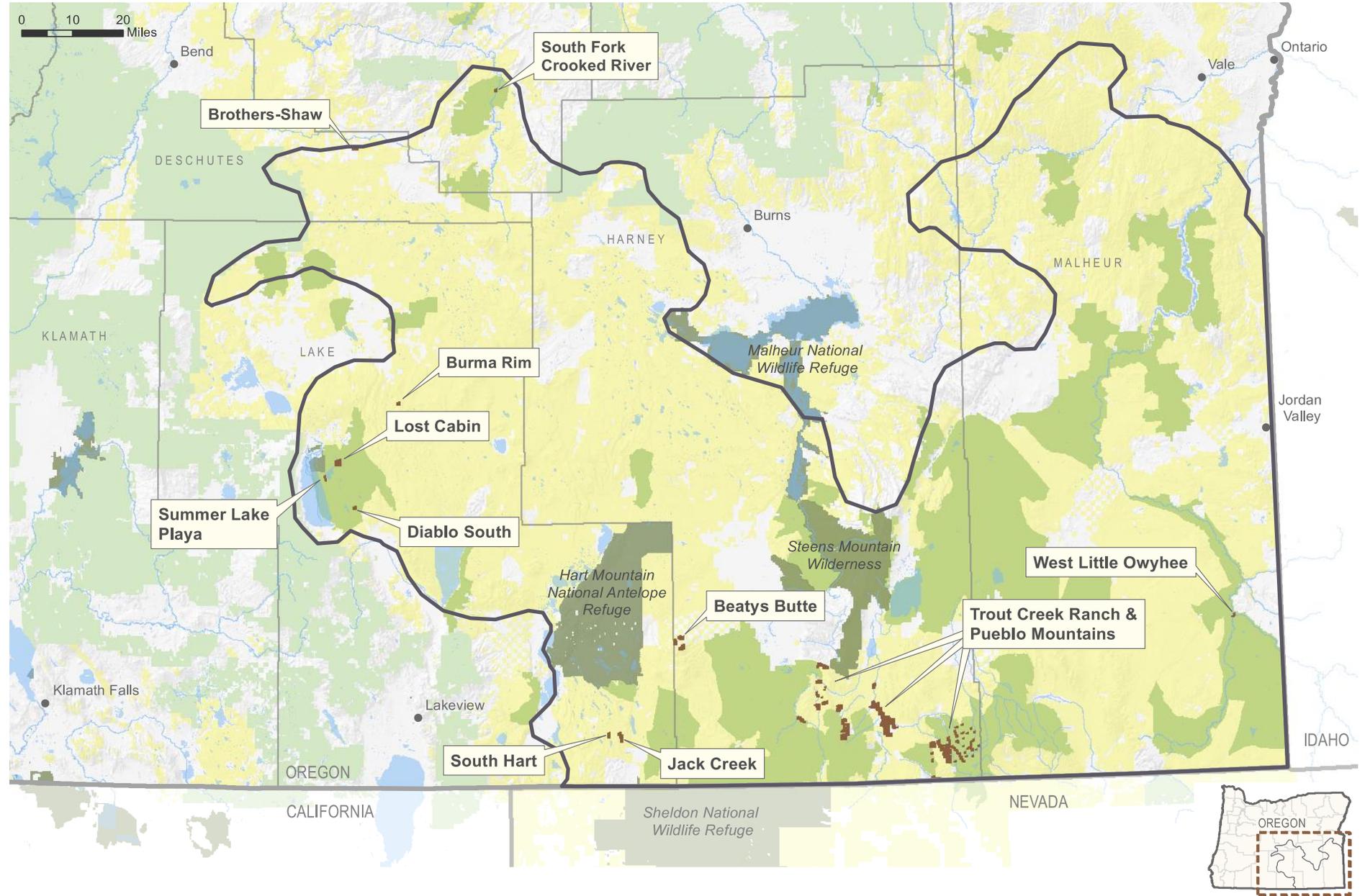


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FOR WILD & WORKING LANDS



We connect wild & working lands to benefit wildlife and people

ODLT Service Area
12M+ acres of high desert in Oregon

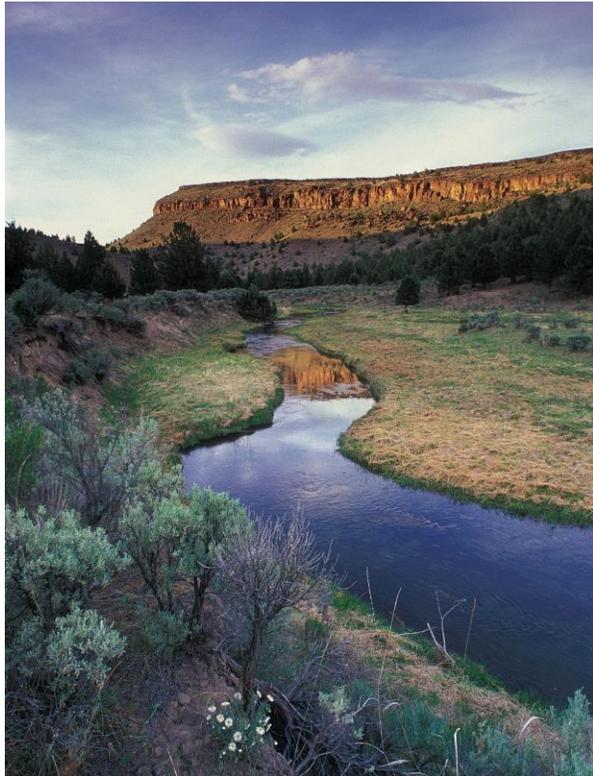


Conservation Priorities



20,000+ acres of private land conserved across Oregon's high desert

*South Fork Crooked
River*



Owyhee Canyonlands



*Hart Mountain &
Sheldon Wildlife Refuge*



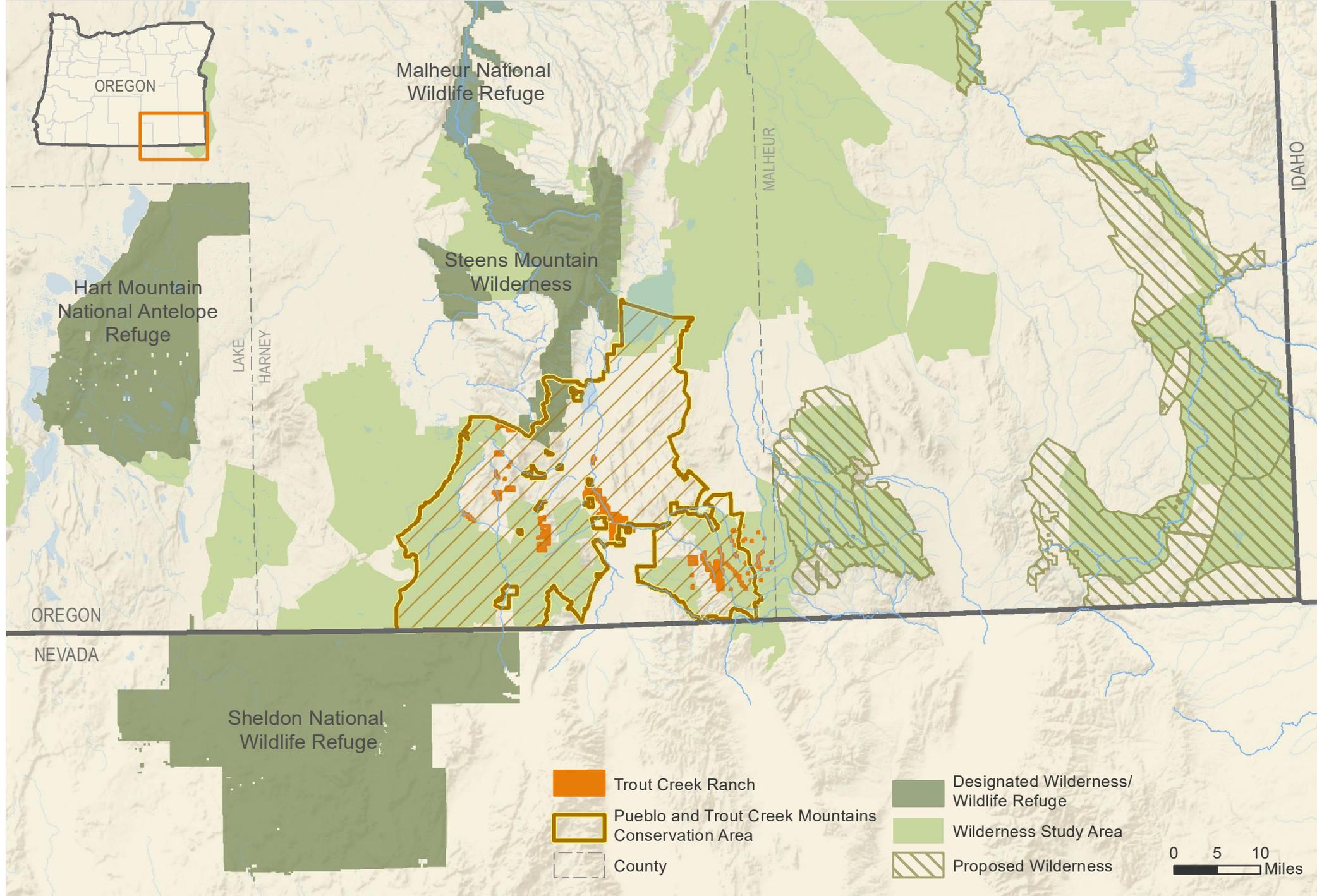
*Summer Lake Refuge &
Diablo Mountain*



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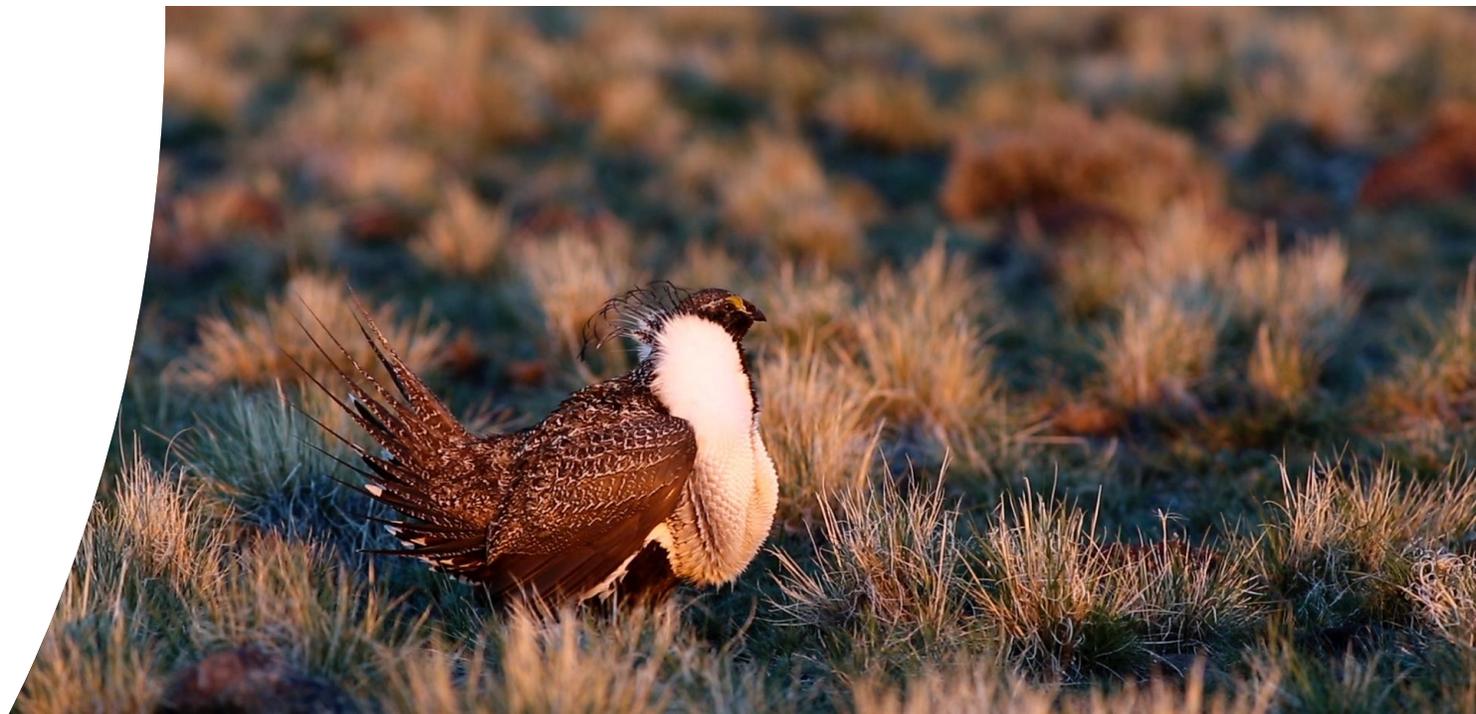


Conserved in 2021



Facts and Figures

- **Over 334,000 acres of Wilderness Study Areas**
- **~14% of Oregon's Greater sage-grouse population**
- **4600' of elevation change**
- **Four Conservation Opportunity Areas**
- **Over 10 miles of Lahontan cutthroat trout habitat**



GOAL: Be a good neighbor & expand partnerships with Tribes, landowners & communities where we work.



Tribal Gatherings



Community Picnics





EAST CASCADES
BIRD ALLIANCE



INTERMOUNTAIN WEST
JOINT VENTURE



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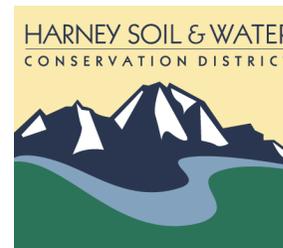
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PARTNERSHIP



Agricultural Research Service
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GOAL: Provide excellent stewardship of the lands we own and manage



Wetland Bird Surveys at Trout Creek Ranch



Timing:

- 3 rounds, >10 days apart
- Mid-May thru early-July

Surveys

- Record sights & sounds
 - Start 15 min before sunrise
 - End by 10:00
 - 5-min long
 - 7 points
 - 2 sites
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- eBird counts also taken of all individuals



2024: 3 surveys

Meadows

- 44 species
- 983 birds

Spring Creek

- 47 species
- 184 birds

2025: 1 survey

• Meadows

- 35 species
- 356 birds

• Spring Creek

- 16 species
- 49 birds







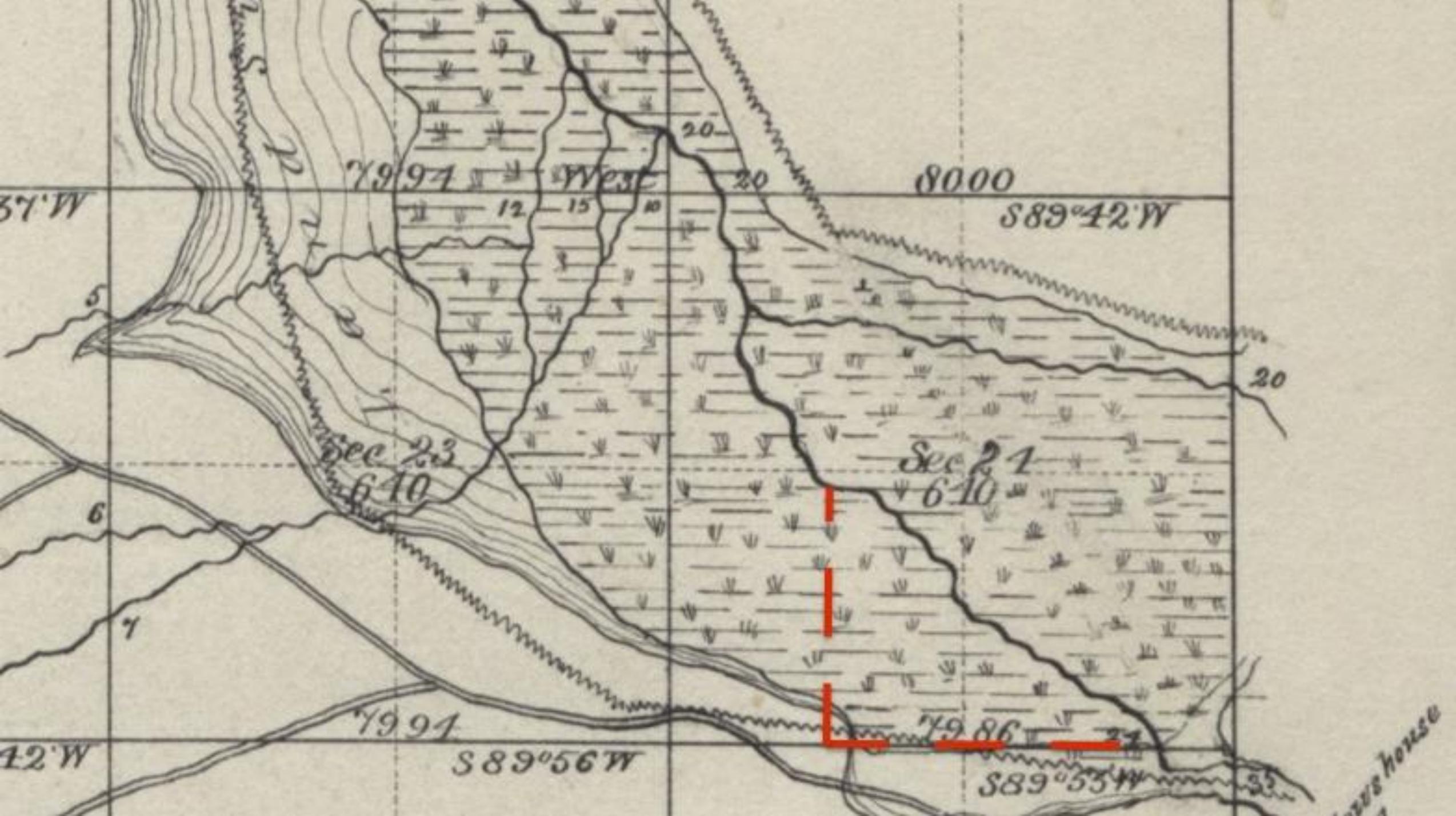
Wet Meadows Restoration

Trout Creek Ranch Headquarters

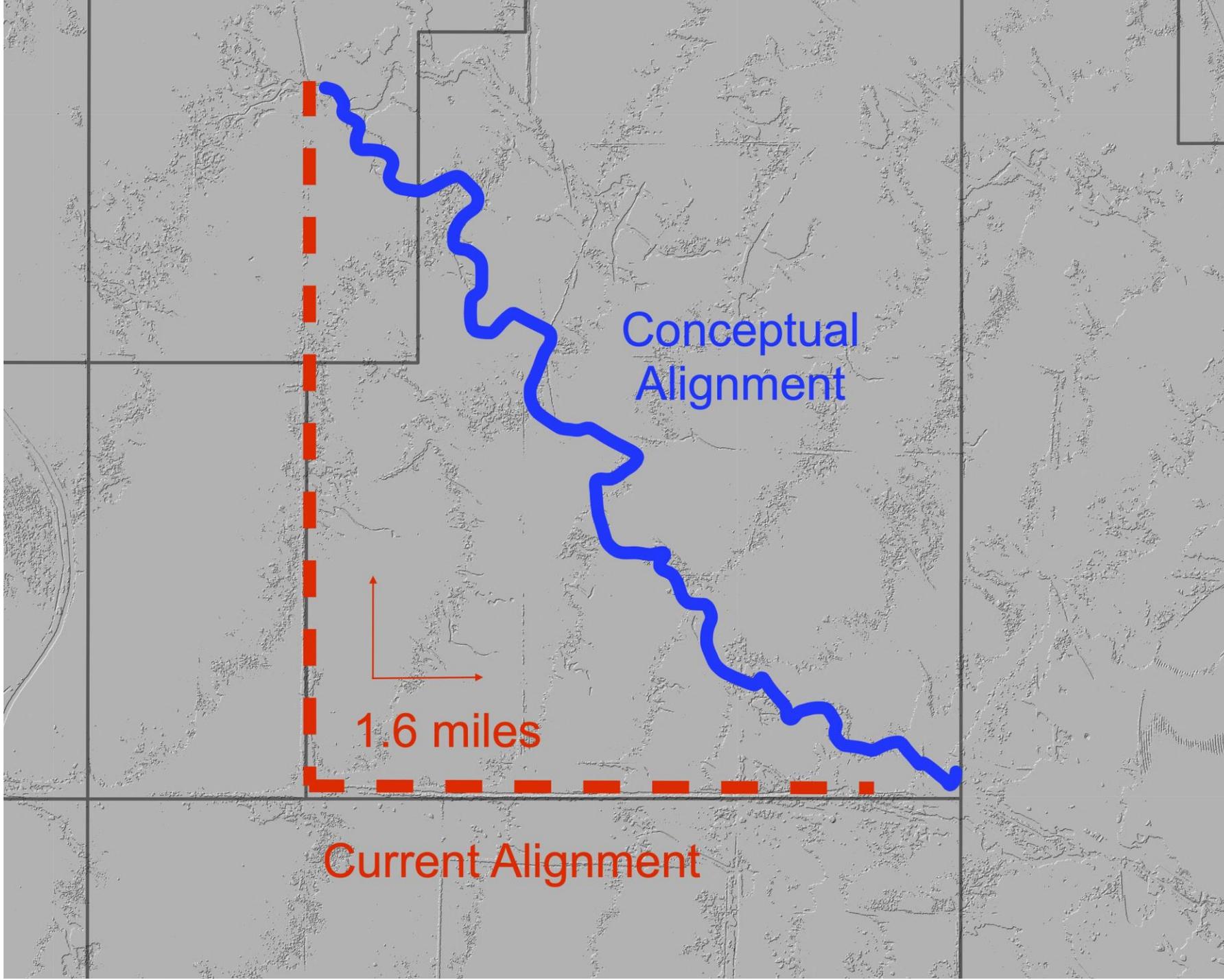


- Critical migration & breeding area of Pacific Flyway
- Nearly 6,000 acres identified as SONEC priority areas for birds
- 40 miles south of Malheur National Wildlife Refuge









Conceptual
Alignment

1.6 miles

Current Alignment



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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Trout Creek Meadows Conceptual Restoration Design

Proposals Due: July 11, 2025

Cottonwood Creek Restoration

Trout Creek Mountains



- Partnership with The Nature Conservancy and others to restore floodplain & riparian areas for fish & wildlife along 2.2 mile project area

- From site visit to implementation, project was completed within one year (typically 3-5 years)

- Designed & started monitoring birds via photos & acoustics



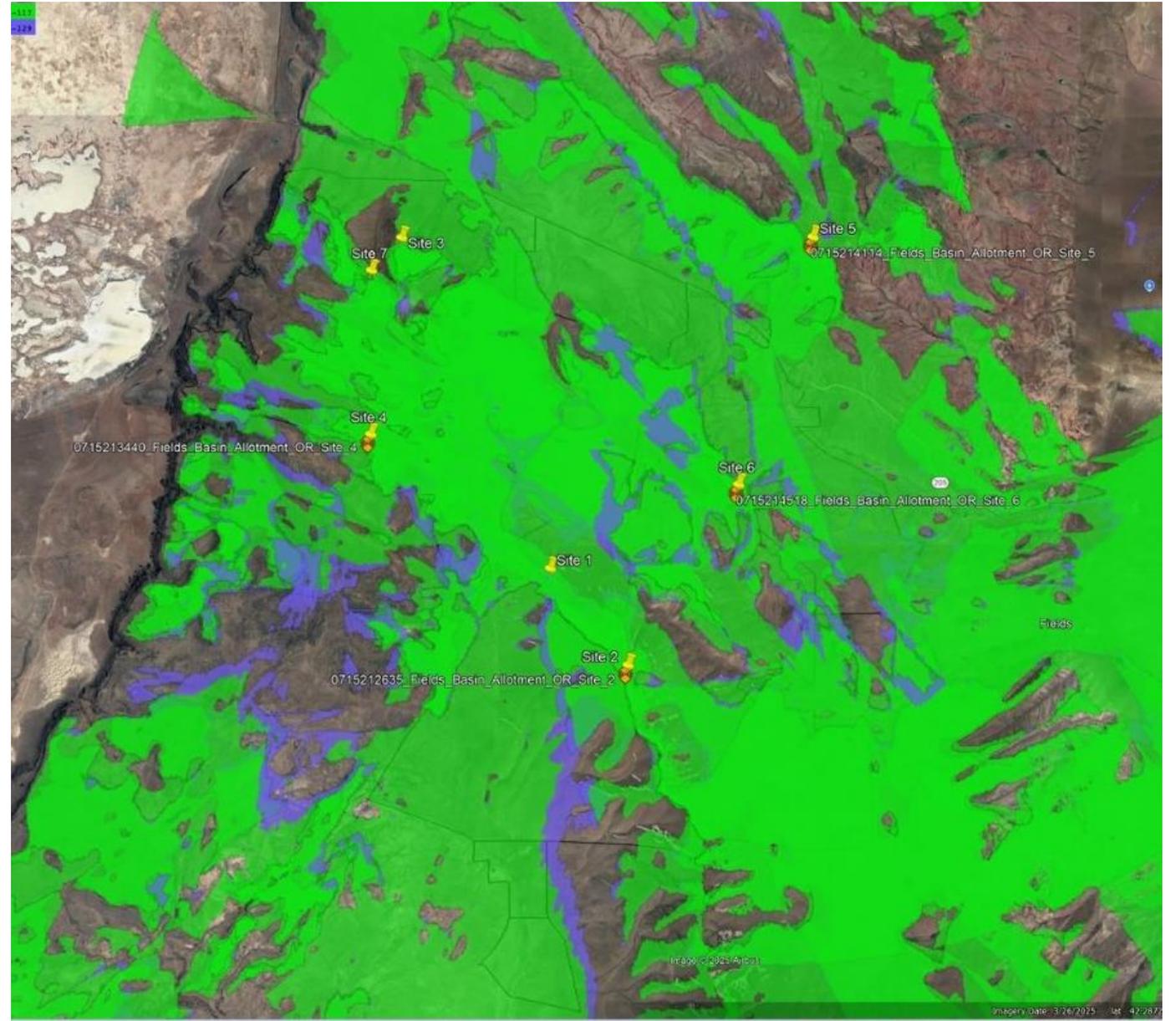


VIRTUAL FENCES MOOOVE COWS ONLINE

Virtual fence is a new technology that can help land managers maintain wildlife connectivity in permitted grazing areas.

Tower Locations

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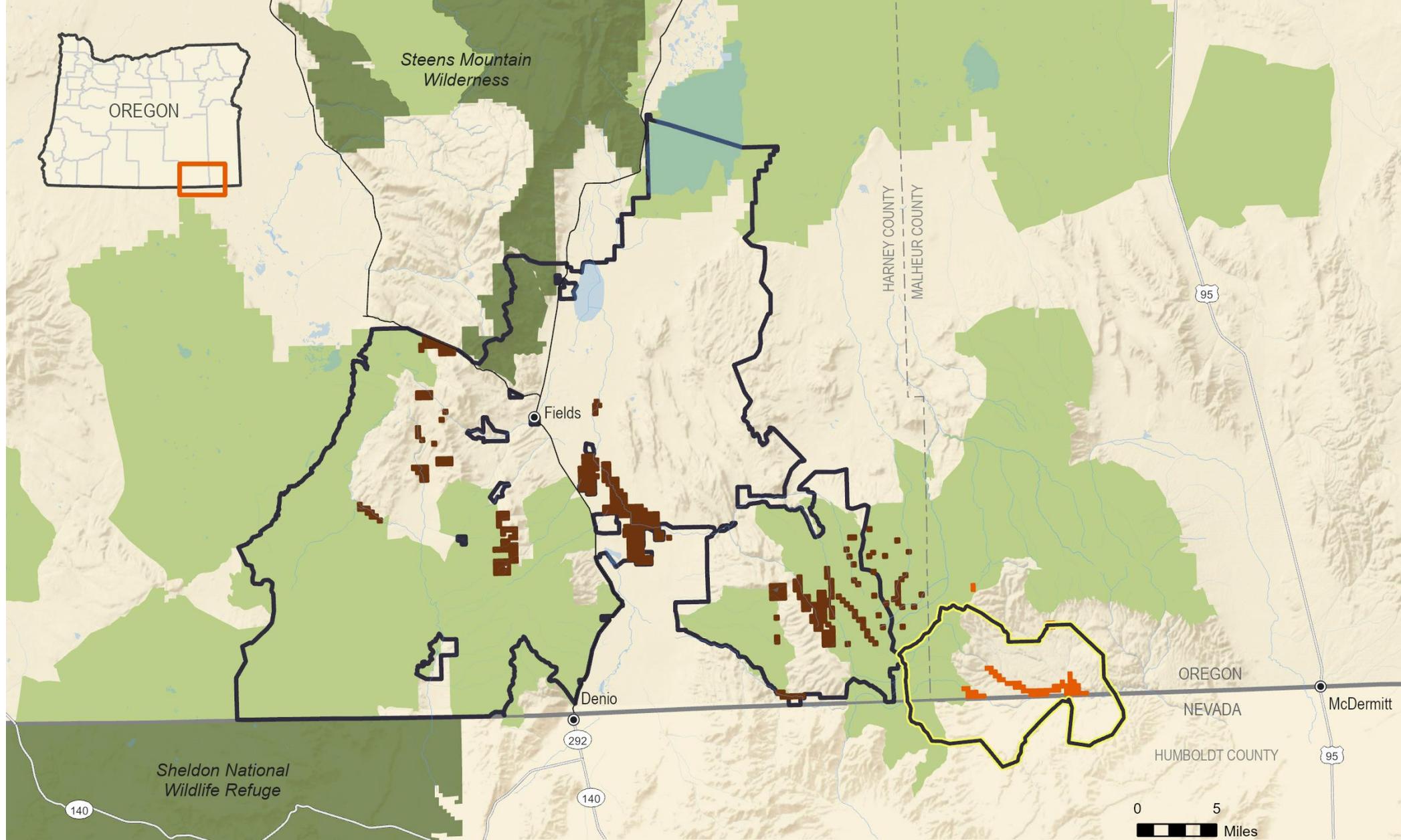
GOAL: Position the organization for additional strategic acquisitions



Disaster Peak Ranch

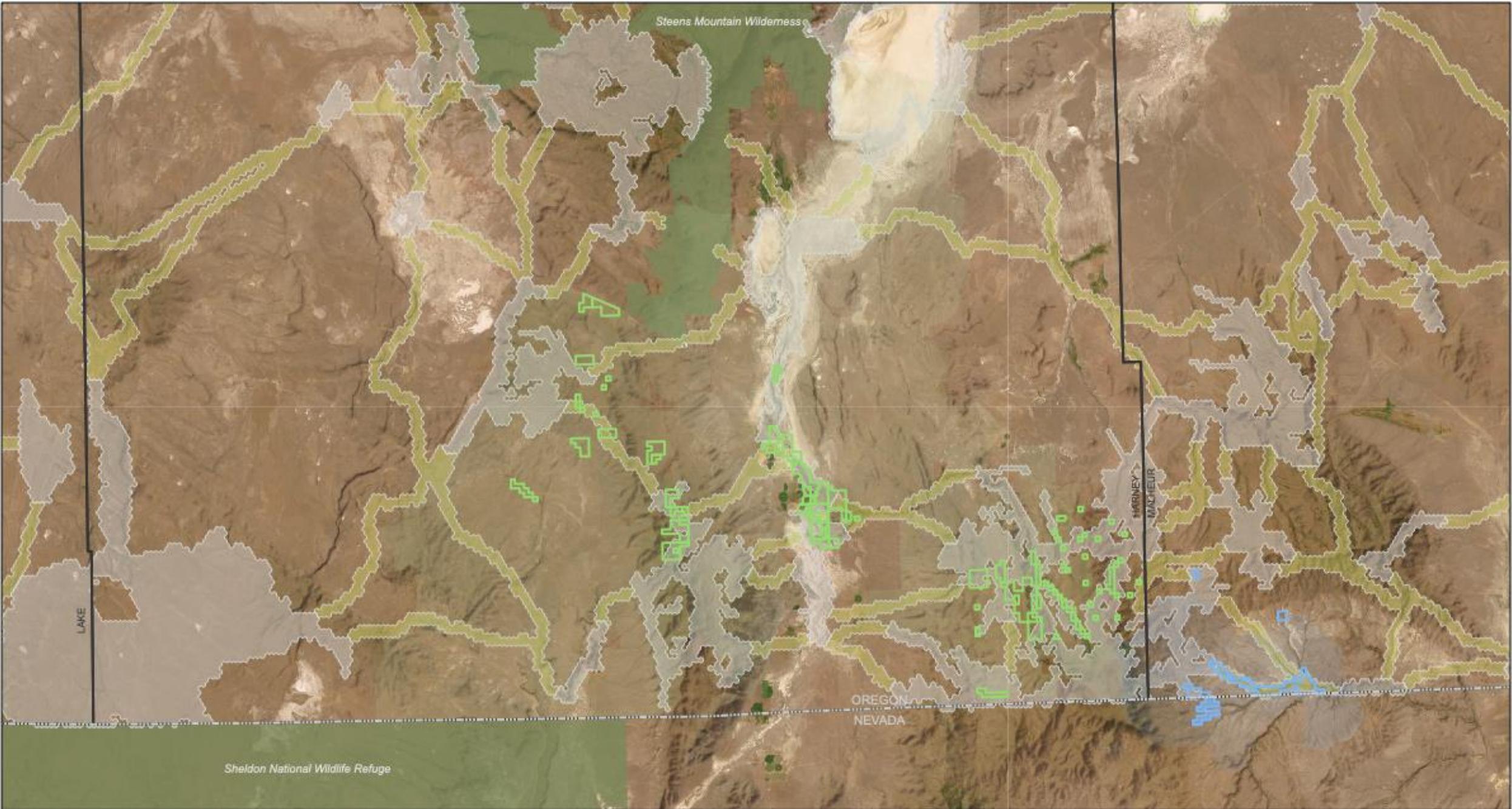


- Scheduled for completion in 2025 -



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|  | Trout Creek Ranch |  | Disaster Peak Ranch |  | Designated Wilderness/
Wildlife Refuge |
|  | Pueblo and Trout Creek Ranch
Conservation Project |  | Disaster Peak Ranch
Conservation Project |  | Wilderness Study Area |





Steens Mountain Wilderness

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Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge

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