



Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund

Supporting projects that help implement the Oregon Conservation Strategy and create new opportunities for wildlife-associated conservation, education, and recreation.

The **Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund** (OCRF) has flourished within the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife since its creation by the Oregon Legislature in 2019. The OCRF is well-positioned to continue to serve statewide conservation and recreation needs by providing funding timely, effectively, and equitably. Moving forward, the OCRF will continue to invest in community-led projects that connect Oregonians to the natural world and increase equity for underserved communities of humans, plants, and animals.



**140
PROJECTS**

supported across
Oregon's
8 Ecoregions



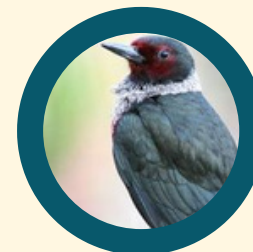
**\$5 million
AWARDED**

statewide with
an average of
**\$35,000 per
project**



**96
GROUPS**

received funding
and developed
over
**200 Project
Collaborations**



**\$1.3 million
DONATED**

has been used to
leverage the
**State General
Fund**



CONNECTING

youth, families, diverse and underserved communities with the outdoors



ENGAGING

Oregonians in the science and research needed to improve our understanding of Oregon's diverse species



GROWING

healthy ecosystems to benefit Oregon's fish and wildlife and improve the health of our environment for future generations



Learn more about the OCRF coalition of partner organizations and businesses that work to implement the Oregon Conservation Strategy and connect people with the outdoors.



Oregon's Future Belongs to All

Your support for conserving wildlife, habitat, and connecting people with nature shows that Oregonians care about preserving the wildlife and natural spaces that makes Oregon so special.



Northwestern Pond Turtle Life History and Habitat Study

Mosier- Oregon ODFW Lead Partnership to Survey Reptiles

“Funding from the OCRF has enabled us and local partners to continue and expand our northwestern pond turtle monitoring efforts. In the last year we have learned a great deal about movements and upland habitat use from our purchase of telemetry transmitters. This has been especially relevant because of the development pressures in the Mosier area and has helped us provide more informed comments to county planning.”

-Andrew Meyers, Field Biologist, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife



The Trumpeter Swan Society

Harney County-Oregon Trumpeter Swan Research and Education

“OCRF funding has allowed us to expand our ongoing study in partnership with Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife to research the origins and annual movements of Trumpeter Swans migrating through eastern Oregon. The funding allowed us to purchase a total of 13 collars for the study which will greatly expand knowledge of their ecology which will improve Flyway management of Trumpeter Swans and which we will share with the public.”

-Gary Ivey, Past President, resident of Bend, Oregon



Source One Serenity

Roseburg- Oregon Based Nonprofit for Veterans Focused on Trail Stewardship

“Our work in the Umpqua National Forest is an opportunity for veterans to connect with the community and break isolation. This work became even more urgent because we are working along the most popular long-distance trail which has sustained major damage due to wildfires. Our trail work on public lands addresses some of the major challenges the veteran population faces such as PTSD, depression, and suicide that are attributed to a lack of purpose. Our OCRF-funded project, in the Boulder Creek Wilderness area, has positively impacted the lives of the participants. This is what a post-9/11 veteran has opened up and shared: “...raising my son and being a part of this project are the only two things that have kept me from taking my life over the past 1 1/2 years. I’ve contemplated it numerous times but couldn’t ever admit it, until now.”

-Elena Lininger, Co-Founder

**Anyone
Can Be a
Conservationist**