



**Oregon Private Forest Accord Aquatics Habitat
Conservation Plan**

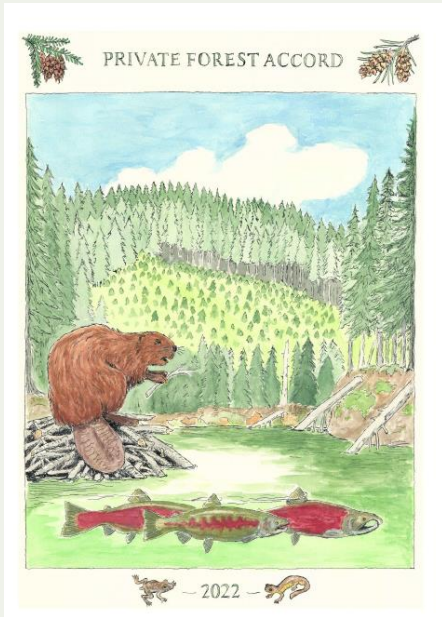
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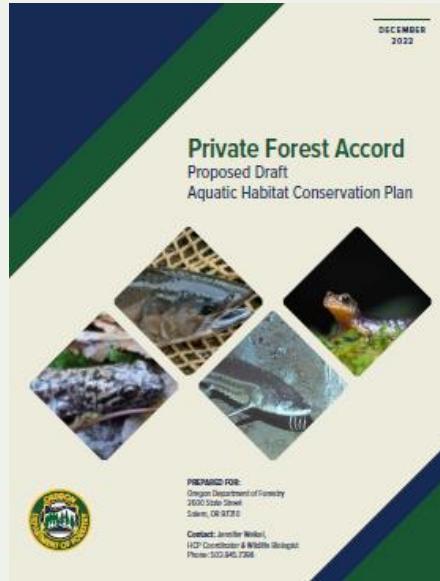
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HCP Development

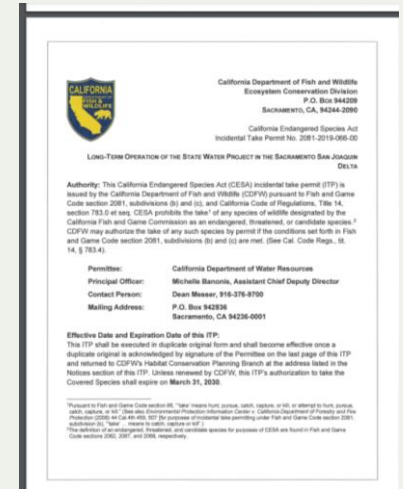
PFA Changes



HCP

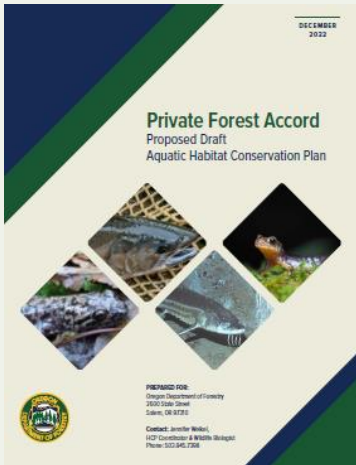


Incidental Take Permit



Basics of PFA HCP

- PFA statutes, rules, and report form basis for HCP conservation measures
- Effects Analysis: Describe and quantify benefits and impacts to the covered species
- Must meet regulatory requirements of the Services (National Marine Fisheries Service [NMFS] and US Fish and Wildlife Service [USFWS])



Programmatic HCP

- ODF holds incidental take permits
- HCP implemented through administration of the Forest Practices Act and related programs.
- Landowners receive Endangered Species Act (ESA) regulatory assurances through compliance with Forest Practices Act



Covered Landowners

- Private forest landowners
- Counties and municipalities that own forest lands



Covered Activities

- Activities related to forest management that are regulated under the FPA
 - Not application of pesticides and herbicides
- Activities related to PFA restoration and mitigation projects
- Activities related to monitoring or research conducted by ODF or through the Adaptive management program committee



Covered Species

Fish (all OR ESUs)

Coho Salmon

Chinook Salmon

Chum Salmon

Sockeye Salmon

Steelhead, Rainbow Trout, Redband Trout

Bull Trout

Cutthroat Trout (coastal, westslope, Lahontan)

Mountain Whitefish

Pacific Eulachon

Green Sturgeon



Covered Species

Amphibians

Coastal Giant Salamander

Coastal Tailed Frog

Cope's Giant Salamander

Southern Torrent Salamander

Columbia Torrent Salamander



Conservation Measures

- Actions to be implemented to avoid and minimize take of covered species
- All CMs in the HCP come from PFA report, legislation, and rules
- Biological Goals and Objectives (BGOs) developed by PFA Authors after publication of report



HCP Biological Goals*

Overarching Goal of HCP

- Forest Practices that support the survival and recovery of the covered species by providing clean, cool, connected and complex habitats



HCP Biological Goals*

- Goal 1: Clean water and substrate
- Goal 2: Shade and cool water
- Goal 3: Stream network connectivity
- Goal 4: Complex habitats in riparian management areas

*See December 2022 draft HCP submitted to Board of Forestry for full text for Biological Goals and Objectives



Conservation Measures

1. Riparian Management Areas
2. Timber harvest on Steep Slopes
3. Roads
4. Beaver Conservation
5. Mitigation and Restoration Funding



Mitigation Projects

- Intended to provide conservation benefit to covered species
- Intended to offset negative impacts to covered species not accounted for through the conservation measures -- if needed



Mitigation Program

- Mitigation projects must address needs of one or more of the HCP covered species
- Ideally projects will improve conditions for covered species as indicated by Biological Goals and Objectives of HCP



HCP Timeline

	2023				2024				2025			2026				2027			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Project Management and Advisory Meetings																			
Administration and Internal Meetings																			
Steering and Agency Meetings																			
Board and Advisory Meetings																			
Complete 1st Administrative Draft HCP																			
1st Admin Draft Complete																			
Complete Public Draft HCP																			
Revise all HCP Chapters																			
Submit ITPs and Public Draft HCP to Services																			
Complete Final HCP																			
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ITP Issued to ODF																			X
NEPA																			
Early NEPA Planning and Scoping																			
Administrative Draft EIS through Public Draft EIS and 60-day review period (with HCP)																			
Response to Public Comments, Final EIS, and ROD																			

Key review periods

- ICF, ODF, & Author co-authoring and integrated review
- Major milestone delivery
- X Date tied to legislative mandates



Questions?

