



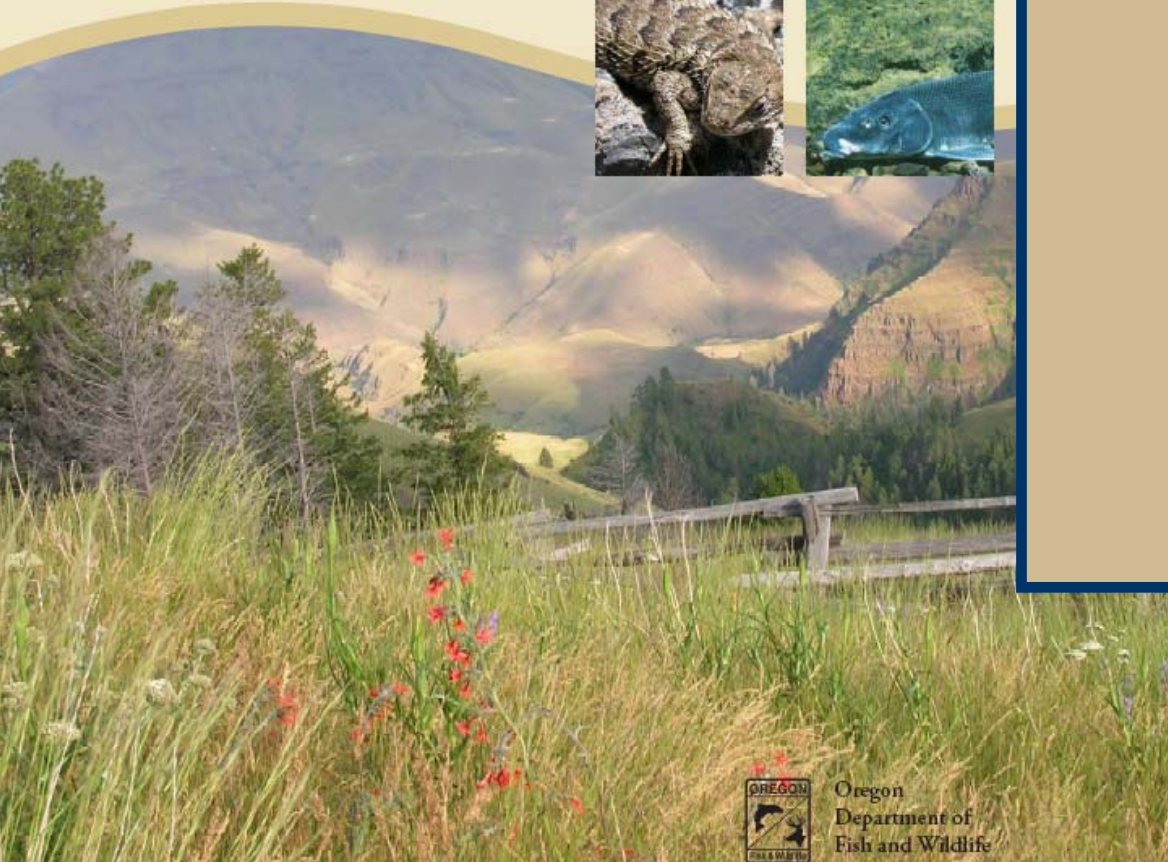
the OREGON CONSERVATION STRATEGY



Regional Biodiversity Monitoring

Partnership Workshop

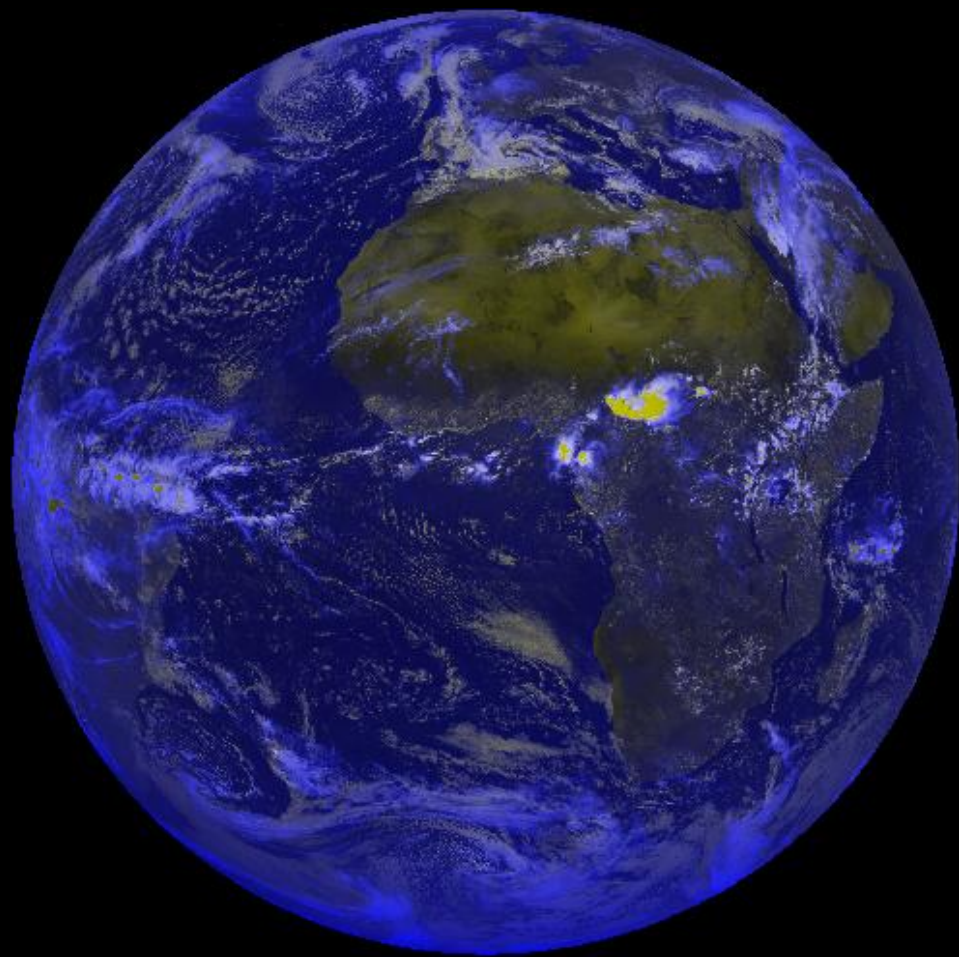
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- Mission: To protect and enhance Oregon's fish and wildlife and their habitats for use and enjoyment by present and future generations
 - Role in the statewide biodiversity mosaic
 - Customer service emphasis



Why State Wildlife Grants and State Strategies?

- Reduce the risk of additional federal threatened and endangered species listings
- Engage citizens in conservation
- Make the best use of limited conservation dollars



What do the State Conservation Strategies do?



- Work at the state level
 - States lead
 - Collaborative
 - Regional, national roll-up
- Improve voluntary conservation tools
- Increase:
 - Coordination
 - Communication
 - Cooperation
- Identify and prioritize actions; habitats; species; landscapes

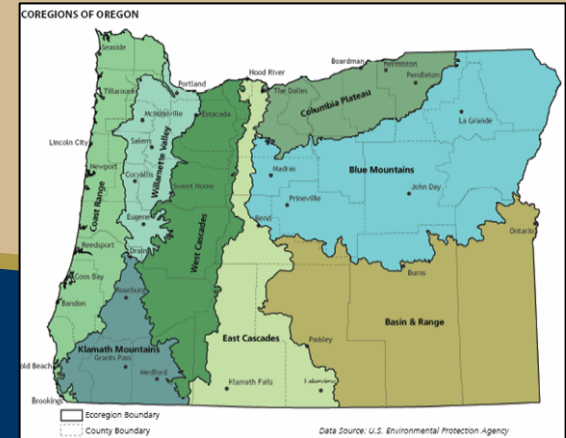
Monitoring in the State Strategies

- Monitoring is a critical component for each state's Strategy
- We can't monitor everything
- Prioritize and Partner
 - Example: Natural Resource Monitoring Partnership
 - National Park Service
 - U.S. Geological Survey
 - Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies



Oregon Conservation Strategy

- Encompasses wildlife:
 - Fish
 - Terrestrial vertebrates
 - Invertebrates
 - Vascular plants
- Developed with many partners:
 - Technical advisory committee
 - ODFW led; Federal, state partners
 - Stakeholder advisory committee
 - Local leaders; tribes
 - Public review
 - Fish and Wildlife Commission





Oregon Conservation Strategy

- Identifies priorities:
 - Species
 - Habitats
 - Landscapes
 - Conservation actions
- Monitoring approach:
 - Leverage resources
 - Build on existing efforts
 - ODFW-led Fish and Wildlife Monitoring Team
 - Registry of conservation actions
 - Citizen opportunities



Monitoring in Oregon

... Some example ongoing efforts



**Pacific Northwest
Aquatic Monitoring
Partnership**



The Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds



- Monitoring:
 - High-level indicators
 - Inter-agency collaborative monitoring team
 - Assess:
 - Watershed condition
 - Fish populations
 - Coastal Coho Assessment
 - Effectiveness of conservation and restoration efforts



Needs assessment



- Ongoing conversation about biodiversity with:
 - Policymakers
 - Federal agencies
 - State agencies
 - Private landowners, land managers
- What decisions are you facing?
- How can we ask monitoring questions that will help you make decisions?



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