



# A Regional Biodiversity Monitoring Framework

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## Establishment of the Biodiversity Monitoring Workgroup:

- Roughly 16 people from federal agencies, OR and WA state agencies, non-gov't conservation groups, and private land interests
- There are major ongoing efforts by both OR and WA to develop comprehensive wildlife and habitat conservation
- Group identified the need for an overall regional framework increase efficiency, promote collaboration, leverage resources towards common goals
- We can accomplish more by working together than any group can do on its own



## Vision Statement

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"To meet the continually evolving challenges facing the natural diversity of plants, animals, and ecosystems, we support the establishment of a long-term regional monitoring collaboration that will provide the means to collect, share, and analyze information."





# Framework Outline

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## WHAT: Framework content

- Assess the overall changes in distribution, configuration, and condition of:
  - Ecosystems
  - Habitats of selected species
  - Species
- Identify what people are doing to address limiting factors affecting ecosystems, habitats and species
  - Assess effectiveness of these activities



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## HOW: Framework information structure

- Make information and data accessible to everyone
- Organize the information and data to accommodate user's needs
- Create a central portal for information that includes user-friendly tools for adding new data
- Define how to manage governance of the data
- Analyze and report data and information



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## WHO: Framework partnerships

- Define who to include
  - Landowners and land managers (public agencies), policy makers, citizens, regulatory agencies, universities, scientific institutions, educators
- Define expectations
  - Carefully analyze and clarify the contributions each partner makes to biodiversity conservation and monitoring activities to achieve buy in and trust



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## WHERE: Framework Scope

- Geographic scope includes OR and WA
- Ecological scope includes all terrestrial, inland aquatic, coastal and marine ecosystems
- Political scope includes any and all landowners

## WHEN: Timeframe

- Partnership workshop planned for May 18
- Develop partnership and framework through 2006
- Implement biodiversity regional monitoring framework spring 2007