



We conserve habitat

Forests are home to many different kinds of wildlife. That's why protecting animals and fish is important when working in Oregon's forests.

State law requires Oregon forest landowners to conserve wildlife habitat.

Landowners often go beyond these requirements. They hire wildlife biologists to make sure timber harvests don't harm fish, birds and other animals. In addition, many have volunteered to improve streams for fish.

Now, that's a good reason to be Forest Proud.



Protecting forest habitat

Creating clearings

Forest clearings left by fires or windstorms are important habitat for songbirds, deer and other animals. Landowners leave some trees and logs behind when harvesting timber. This mimics natural clearings and provides similar habitat.

Protecting fish

Landowners leave buffers of trees on each side of streams when harvesting timber. The trees provide shade to keep the water cool for fish. As the trees age, they'll eventually fall into the stream. This creates pools and shelter for fish. Plants left along streams also attract bugs that fish eat.

Voluntary projects

Many Oregon forest landowners have improved fish habitat with voluntary projects. This includes fixing or removing old culverts that block fish from traveling upstream.

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Oregon's private forestland provides habitat for deer, elk, fish, butterflies, birds and other animals.



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