

Oregon Department of Forestry Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Spring 2022 Overview



Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conservation Plan

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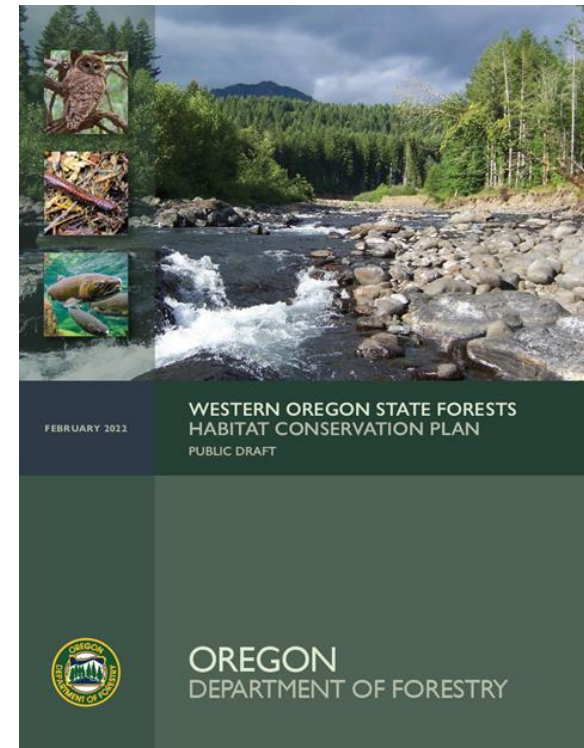
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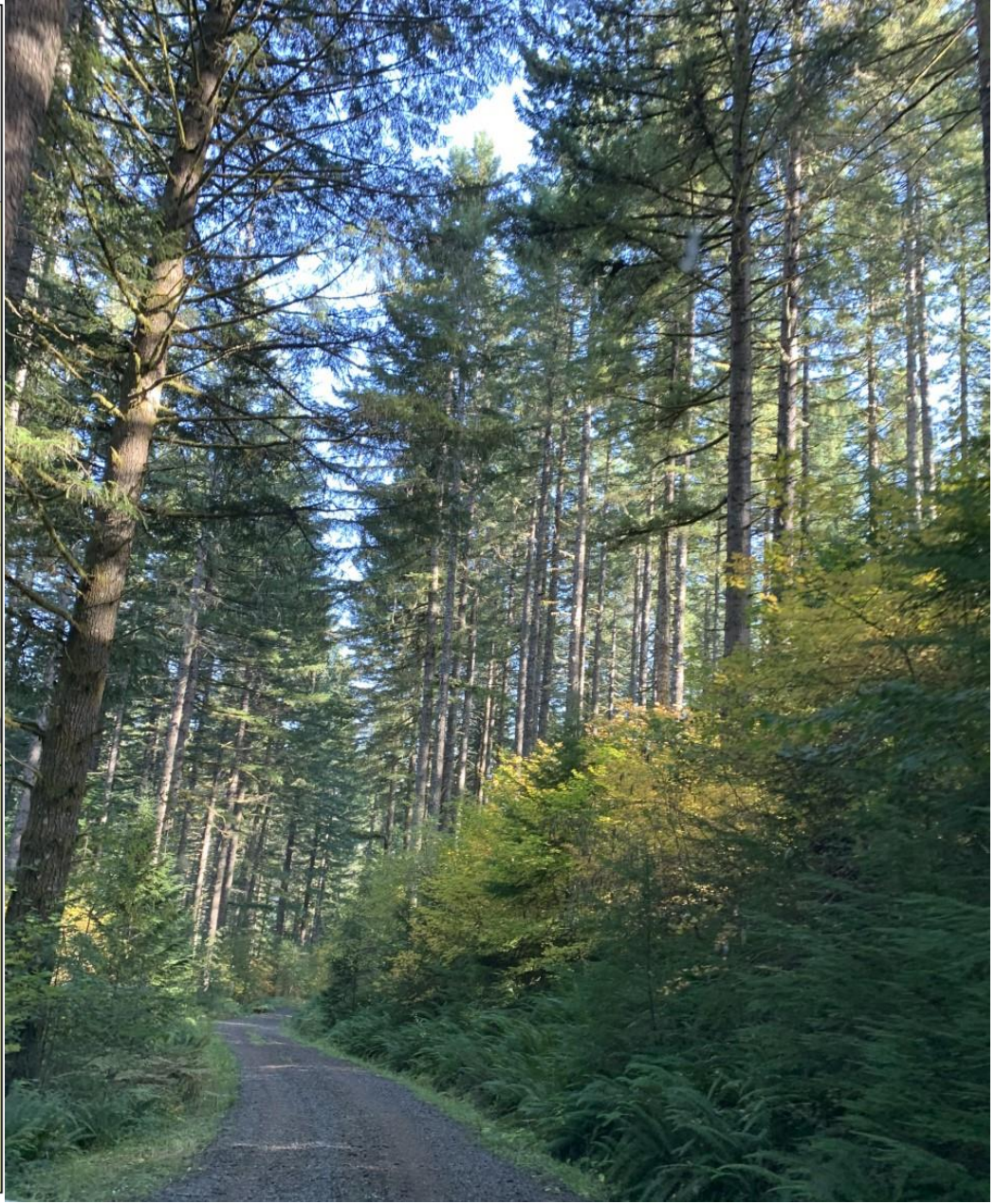
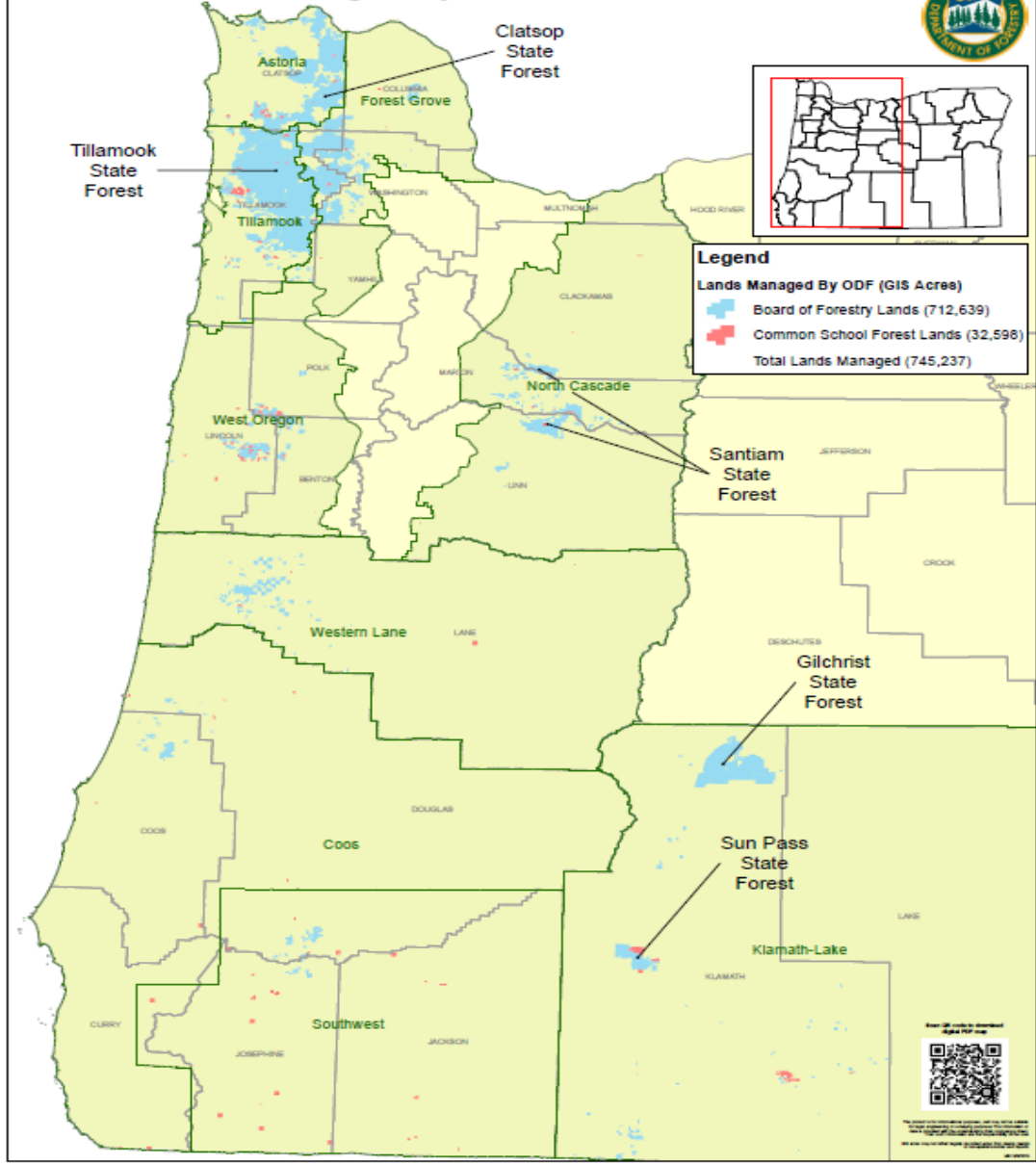


State Forest Background

- The State of Oregon has a contractual relationship with 15 counties to manage 745,000 acres of state forestlands.
- Managed by ODF on behalf of the forest trust land counties.
- State obligated to support the environmental, economic, and social values of these forests –Greatest Permanent Value (GPV)



Lands Managed by the State Forests Division



Tillamook County Beneficiaries

- Statutory Revenue Formula:
 - 36.25% to ODF - 63.75% to counties.
- Tillamook County
 - County administration: 28%
 - County School Fund: 23%
 - Local Taxing Districts: 49%

*Tillamook County District
County Library
Nestucca Valley SD 101
Northwest Regional ESD
Tillamook Bay Community College
4-H Extension
Emergency-911
Tillamook Transportation
Tillamook Soil and Water
Conservation
Port Tillamook Bay
Nestucca RFD
SD 9
Port Garibaldi
Tillamook FD
SD 56
Port of Nehalem
North County Recreation District
Nehalem Bay Health District
Nehalem Bay Fire and Rescue
City of Garibaldi
SD 63
Willamette ESD*

Additional Beneficiaries

OREGON STATE FOREST INDIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACTS

The social and economic impacts of Oregon State Forest timber harvests extend far beyond stumpage payments. In addition to stumpage revenue, ODF harvests in FY21 (260 mmbf) generated more than **\$142.4 MILLION** for logging, hauling, road building, and lumber businesses **IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES**.



Actual Economic Impact
ODF Timber Harvest (FY21)

\$260.4M

DIRECT AND INDIRECT

- Stumpage (ODF & Counties)
- Logging & Hauling
- Road Construction/Maintenance/Access
- Mill Wages/Benefits
- Lumber Sales & Logistics
- Harvest Tax
- Lumber Trucking

ODF
\$42.8M

HARVEST TAX
\$1.1M

COUNTIES
\$74.1M

LOCAL RESIDENTS
\$142.4M

INDIRECT BENEFITS OF ODF TIMBER PROGRAM: HAMPTON CASE STUDY



HAMPTON LUMBER

ODF TIMBER PURCHASED (FY21):
71,749 MBF

STUMPAGE VALUE: **\$29.3M**

LOGGING & HAULING: \$16.5M
ROAD BUILDING & MAINTENANCE: \$3.5M
PAYMENTS LANDOWNERS: \$110k
MILL WAGES & BENEFITS (HAMPTON ONLY): \$8.8M
LUMBER TRUCKING: \$2M
LUMBER SALES & LOGISTICS: \$8.4M

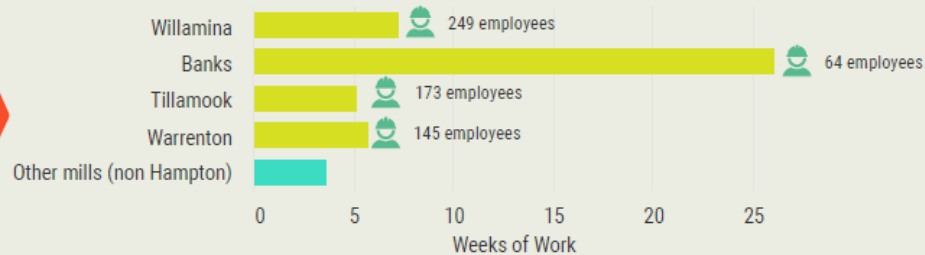
LOCAL BENEFITS: **+\$39.3M***

TOTAL BENEFITS: **\$68.6M**



48 WEEKS OF
SAWMILL
OPERATIONS

Hampton Sawmills: ODF-related Operating Time



FINISHED PRODUCTS

293,627 METRIC TONS OF CO2
STORED IN LUMBER

7,466 HOMES FRAMED



*DOES NOT INCLUDE HARDWOOD SAWMILL OR SECONDARY MANUFACTURING IMPACTS

It takes
a village.
Over 75 small,
family-owned
businesses
worked ODF
sales for
Hampton in
2021

What is an Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP)?

- ✓ Voluntary agreement to protect wildlife species and ecosystems
- ✓ Provides landowners operational flexibility and assurances
- ✓ Incidental take permit (ITP)



Oregon's HCP Process

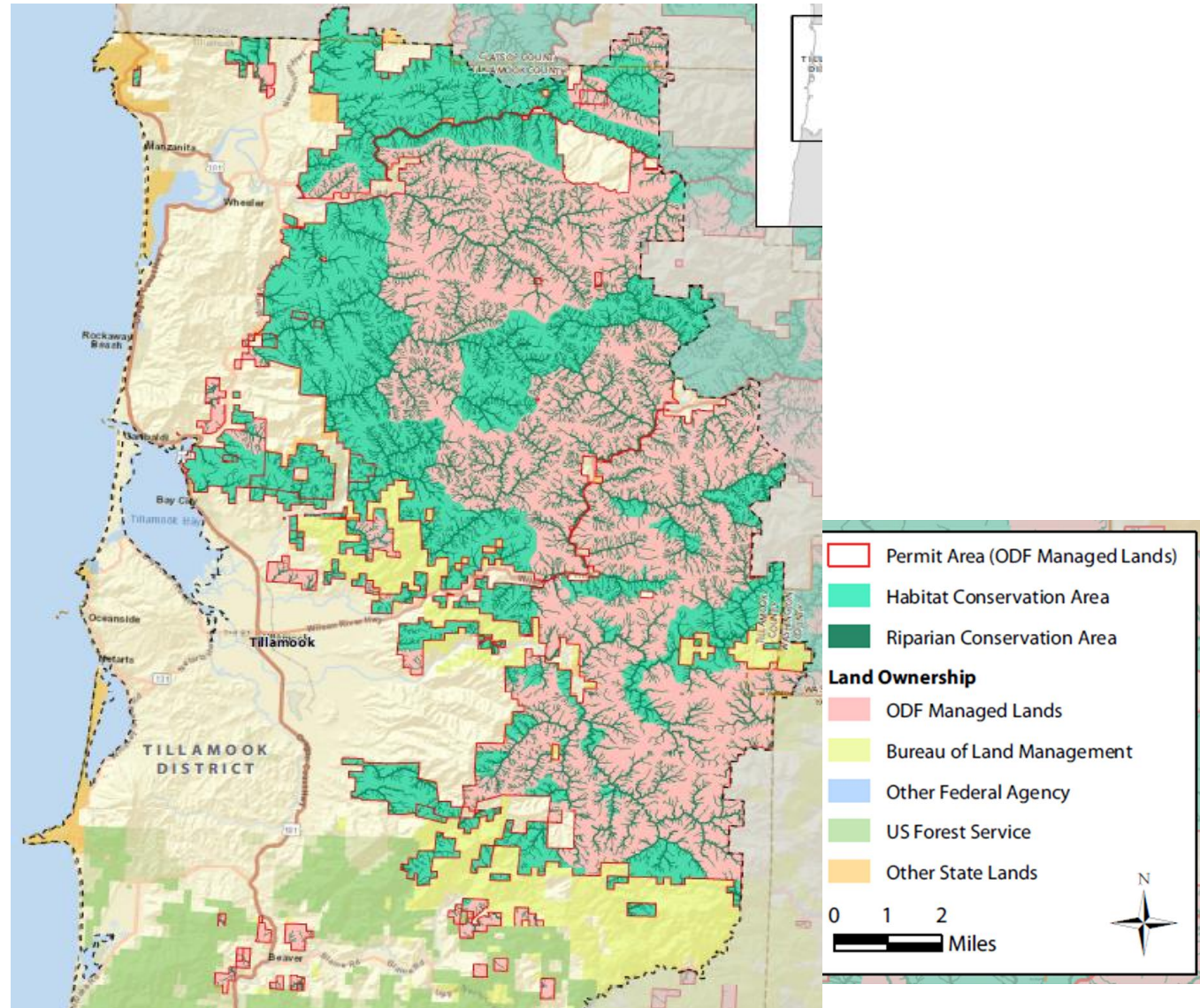
- 2018 – ODF prepares draft HCP
 - Negotiated without stakeholder input or consultation with counties
- October 2020 – Board of Forestry moves HCP through National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process – starting with Scoping Period and EIS development
- USFWS and NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service review, analyze and approve or deny the State's HCP and ITP



Stakeholder Concerns

- HCP creates new habitat - 50% of forestland will be restricted from harvest, resulting in:
 - 25-30% reduction in harvest (50MMBF) from current levels for all districts
 - \$13M/year reduction in total county revenue
 - 50% budget deficit for ODF
- HCP developed without socio-economic analysis
- Trust land counties submit alternative to Feds to address concerns

ODF Tillamook District HCAs



5 EIS “alternatives” under consideration

- Alt 1 – **No Action** (current FMP/take avoidance)
- Alt 2 – **Proposed Action** (ODF’s HCP)
- Alt 3 – **Increased Conservation**
 - Increased buffers (no harvest areas) for small perennial and seasonal non-fish-bearing streams
 - Road decommission goals
- Alt 4 – **Reduced Permit Term**
 - Reduces HCP from 70 years to 50 years
- Alt 5 – **Increased Timber Harvest – *preferred from these options***
 - Adds 15,500 acres for harvest (2.08% of all state forestland)
 - Slightly expanded ability to harvest stands with Swiss needle cast stands in HCAs

Initial Concerns with EIS

- Alternatives are too narrow – only differentiate slightly from each other
- “No Action” alternative is misleading – assumes harvest levels lower than current average
- Feds eliminated “county alternative” that would have released more acres for harvest while protecting species
- Socioeconomic is incomplete and not thorough enough – all direct and indirect economic activities needs to be considered

Need more time and analysis to get this right!

Harvest Comparisons

- The No Action alternative assumes harvest levels **nearly 40 MMBF lower than FY2023** proposed harvest levels and **over 100 million board feet lower than the 2017-2021 average** .
- The other four alternatives are extremely narrow in scope, only **differentiating in harvest levels by no more than 10 MMBF** average per year for the entire permit area.

Table 1: Timber Volume Harvested from BOFL by County

Total Volume MBF (thousand board feet)					
County	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Benton	7,139	3,590	4,699	4,058	1,310
Clackamas	3,019	3,225	805	2,124	218
Clatsop	103,963	113,528	62,896	89,826	72,193
Columbia	4,615	2,887	7,968	619	0
Coos	0	0	0	0	0
Douglas	2,846	3,196	727	1,913	211
Josephine	266	982	663	68	1,315
Klamath	9,560	15,130	11,233	4,721	10,450
Lane	14,757	11,919	15,727	17,229	8,394
Lincoln	4,544	13,662	6,842	5,708	9,025
Linn	14,285	14,948	16,733	3,811	16,451
Marion	7,829	5,096	16,547	1,728	21,760
Polk	0	0	0	2,578	1,291
Tillamook	80,237	86,216	100,292	84,635	81,136
Washington	11,362	40,846	52,073	19,328	36,297
TOTAL	264,421	315,224	297,202	238,345	260,051

AREA	District	Draft FY23 AOP Annual Harvest Objectives and Plan Acres			
		Implementation Plan Average Volume (MMBF)	Planned Total Harvest Volume (MMBF)	Planned Harvest Acres	
				Regeneration	Partial Cut
NWOA	Astoria	73	73.3	1,162	1,147
	Forest Grove	61	62.8	1,529	190
	Tillamook	47	48.8	2,146	0
	North Cascade	8-15	8.2	230	156
	West Oregon	12	12.8	236	565
SOA	Western Lane (Veneta)	12	9.7	228	0
	Western Lane (SWO)	1.4-2.2	2.6	87	0
	Western Lane (Coos)	0	0	0	0
Subtotal NWOA / SOA		214.4 to 222.2	218.2	5,618	2,058

Timber Harvest Projections for Alternatives

Table 3.1-1. Modeled Average Annual Harvest Volume (MMBF/year) by Alternative^a

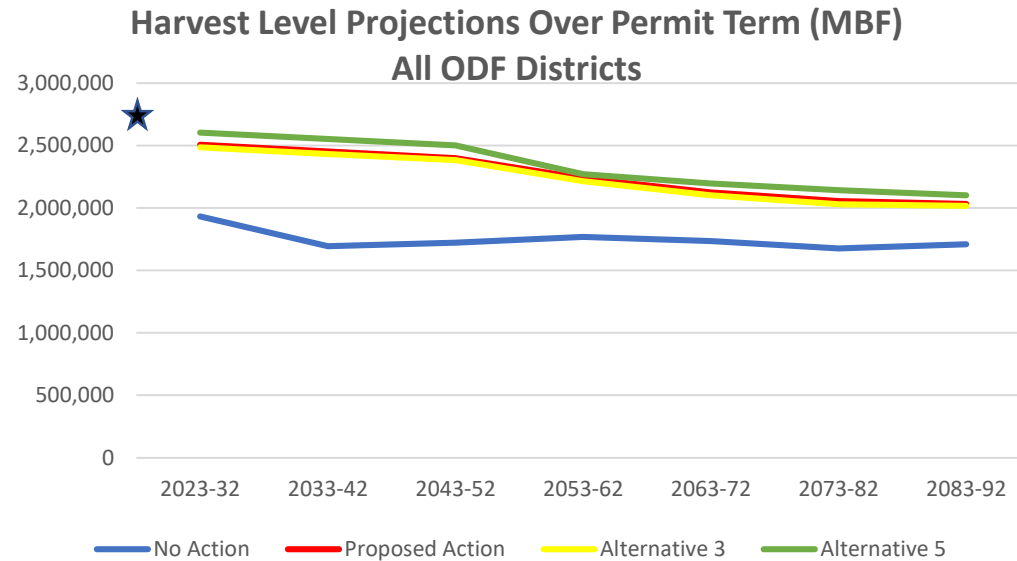
Year	No Action	Proposed Action	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5
1-25	179.3	247.0	246.1	247.0	258.0
26-50	174.8	221.7	220.8	221.7	227.0
51-70	169.3	204.3	203.3	-- ^b	212.2

Source: Forest model

^a Includes clearcut harvest and thinning.

^b Alternative 4 would have a 50-year permit term.

MMBF = million board feet



★ = previous 5 year average

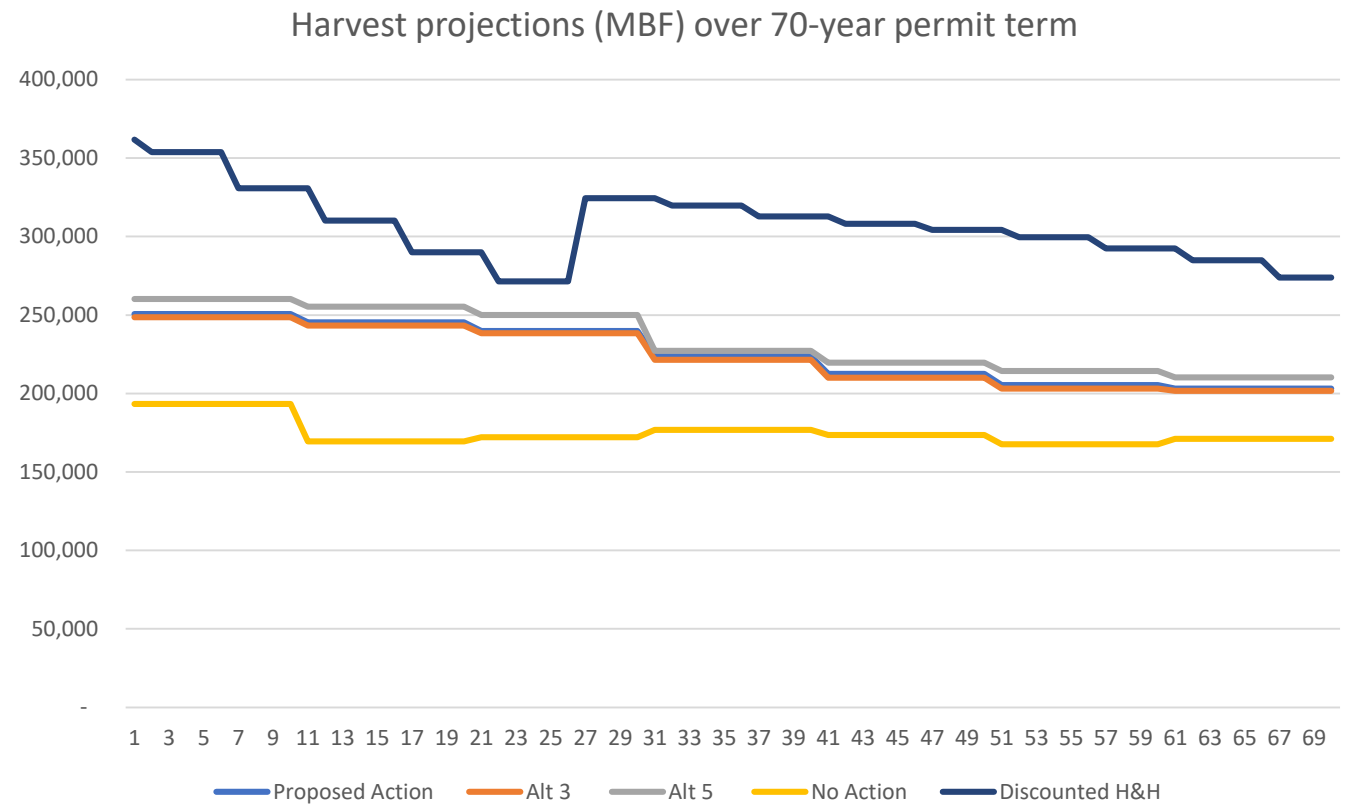
Tillamook County Socioeconomic Results

- Tillamook County will receive \$16,542,343 annually under the HCP – a decrease from the previous five-year average of \$19,727,600.
- This year, NKN School District received approximately \$4.1M in state timber. Under the HCP, NKN will receive 1.3-\$2.2M.

NKN SD 56	2023-32	2033-42	2043-52	2053-62	2063-72	2073-82	2083-92
No Action	\$13,563,795	\$12,409,101	\$14,082,364	\$16,868,707	\$15,423,807	\$14,499,568	\$14,788,761
Proposed Action	\$21,701,770	\$24,175,697	\$26,586,779	\$25,003,597	\$17,421,881	\$19,622,742	\$22,594,744
Alternative 3	\$21,853,071	\$23,643,281	\$26,785,032	\$24,431,313	\$16,646,671	\$19,200,763	\$22,595,350
Alternative 5	\$22,113,467	\$25,368,214	\$26,551,464	\$25,636,019	\$18,465,233	\$19,542,795	\$23,585,235

More Accurate Harvest Comparison

- The dark blue line is ODF's Wood Emphasis model from the 2006 Habitat and Harvest data discounted by five percent
- The Proposed Action and alternatives are well below what ODF could be harvesting.



NEPA/EIS Process

- ✓ National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis & environmental impact statement (EIS)
- ✓ Alternatives analysis
- ✓ Socioeconomic report of financial impacts to counties and taxing districts
- ✓ Public comment period closed June 1

- ❑ Board of Forestry HCP update/direction – *September 7th*
- ❑ Final EIS and approval from Feds – *early 2023*
- ❑ Final approval of HCP by the Board of Forestry – *Spring 2023*

How you can help

- Testify at July 20th and Sept 7th BOF meetings
- Comments directly to the Board of Forestry, the State Forester, and the Governor's Office:
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