

Wildlife Habitat Conservation and Management Program

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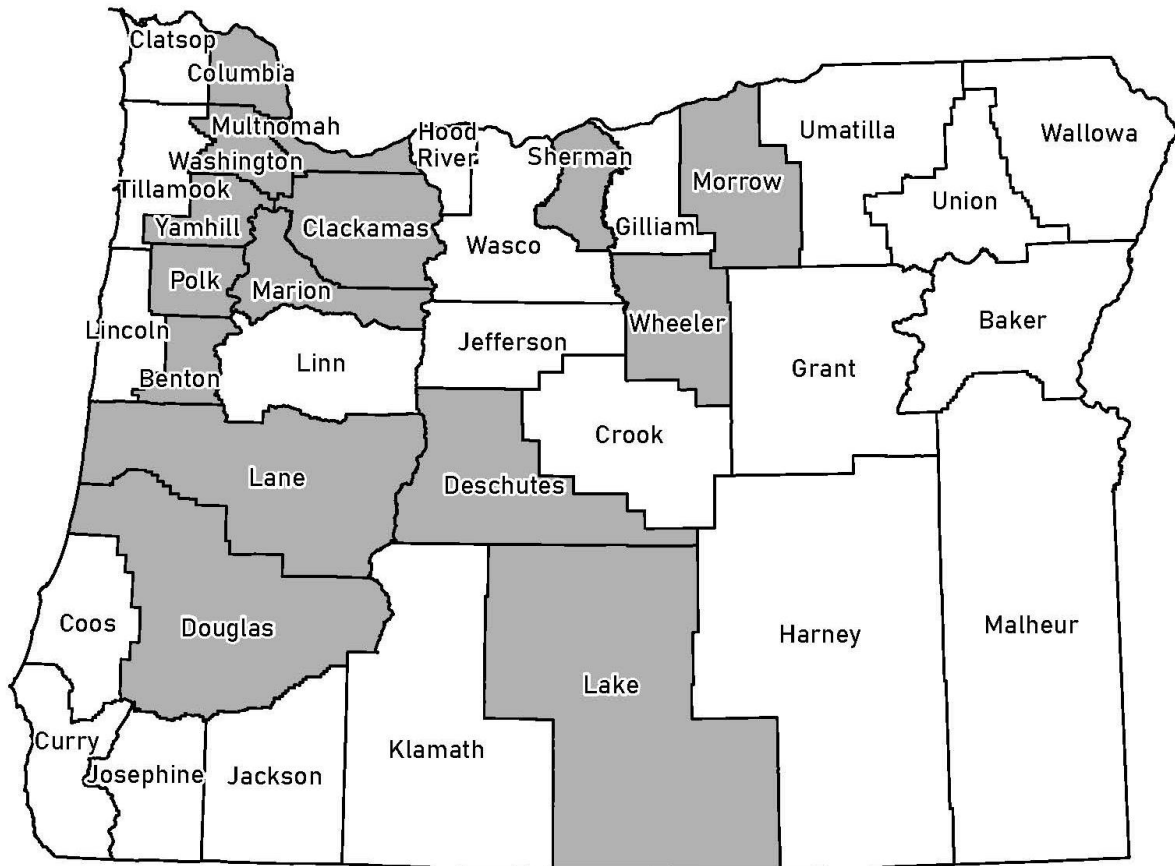
Joint presentation to the House Environment and Natural Resources Interim Committee with Casey Kulla (Yamhill County), Susan Watkins (Landowner), and Jason Faucera (Clackamas Soil and Water Conservation District)



Wildlife Habitat Conservation and Management Program (WHCMP)

- Created in 1993, amended in 2003
- Offers a property tax incentive to private landowners who want to voluntarily conserve wildlife habitat
- Addresses Oregon Conservation Strategy goals





Non-participating Counties:

Baker, Clatsop, Coos, Crook, Curry, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Hood River, Jackson, Jefferson, Josephine, Klamath, Lincoln, Linn, Malheur, Tillamook, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco

Participating Counties

Benton, Clackamas, Columbia, Deschutes, Douglas, Lake, Lane, Marion, Morrow, Multnomah, Polk, Sherman, Washington, Wheeler, Yamhill



WHCMP Legislative Concept

- Concept developed with SWCDs and other stakeholders
- Changes to make the WHCMP a more sustainable and effective conservation tool
- Less prescriptive monitoring and compliance burden on agency
- Greater flexibility to focus enrollment on conservation priorities



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