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Measure Description:

Appropriates moneys to State Forestry Department for purpose of facilitating projects pursued under Good Neighbor Authority Agreement that reduce wildfire risks.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Forestry (ODF)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
General Fund	\$5,000,000	
Total Funds	\$5,000,000	\$0
Positions	11	
FTE	11.00	

Analysis: This measure appropriates \$5.0 million General Fund to the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) to support projects under the Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) and for projects that reduce wildfire risk.

The Good Neighbor Authority allows the United States Forest Service (USFS) to enter into cooperative agreements with states so that states can perform forest management and watershed restoration services on National Forest System lands.

ODF will need the following positions to expand the work currently done:

- Two Forest Manager 1 (2.00 FTE) to provide oversight, supervision, and coordination of the are GNA staff;
- One Natural Resource Specialist 3 (1.00 FTE) to coordinate with federal agencies;
- Four Natural Resource Specialist 2 (4.00 FTE) to conduct groundwork and contract administration;
- Three Natural Resource Specialist 1 (3.00 FTE) to provide groundwork for sale layouts and ensure compliance with forest rules and regulations; and
- One Administrative Specialist 1 (1.00 FTE) to provide financial tracking and administrative support to the field; and
- Eight vehicles for field staff.