



Klamath Basin Restoration

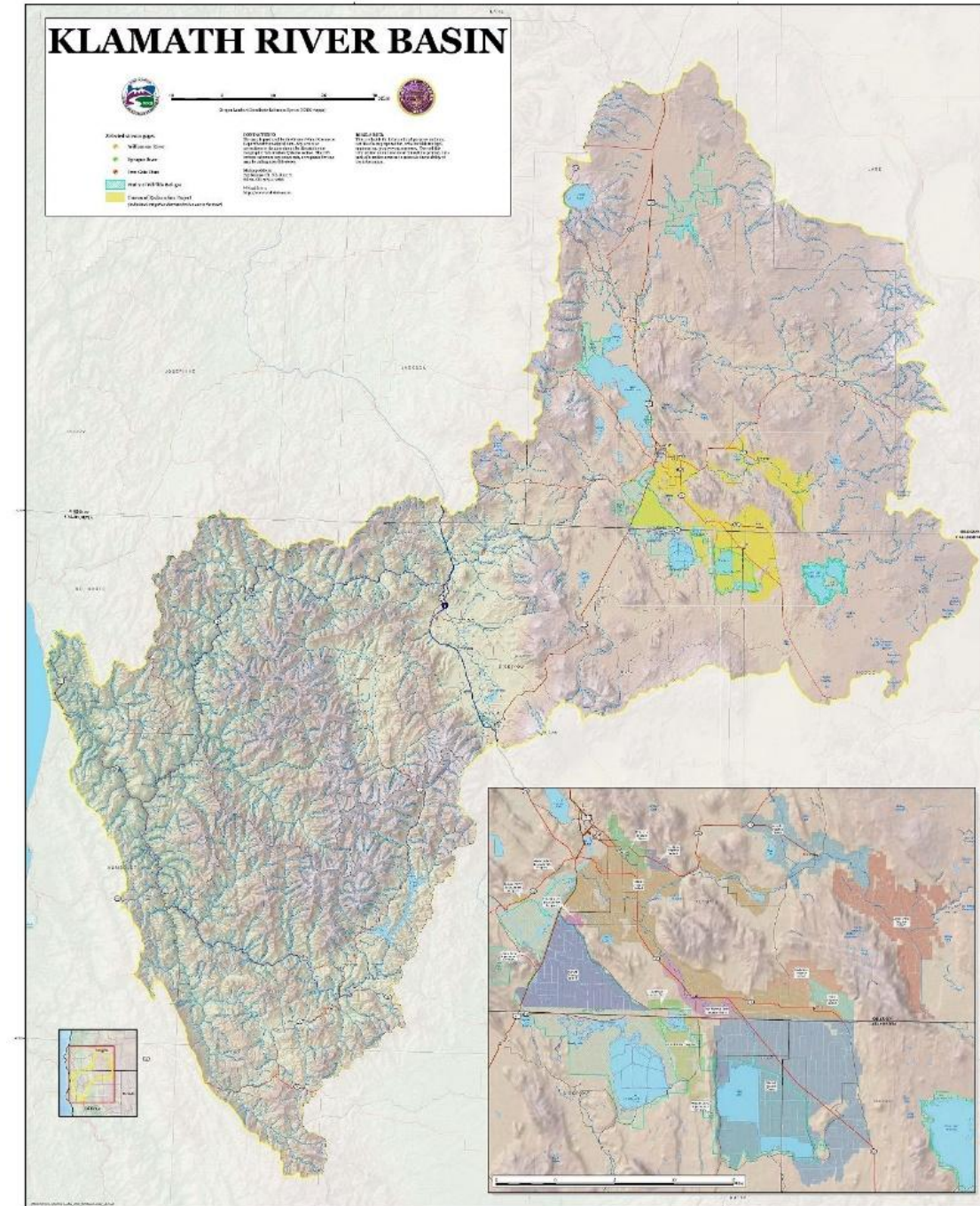
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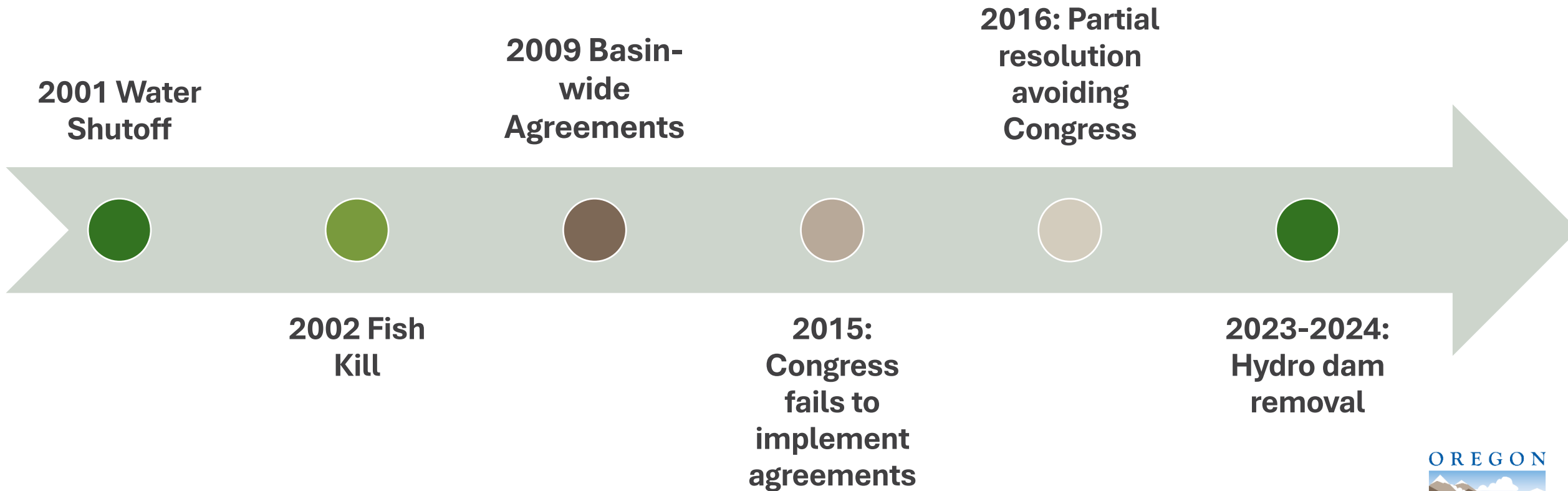
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Klamath Basin

- Straddles Oregon-California boarder
- State and federal legal and management frameworks
- Actively undergoing water right adjudication process (since 1975)



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Largest dam Removal in US history

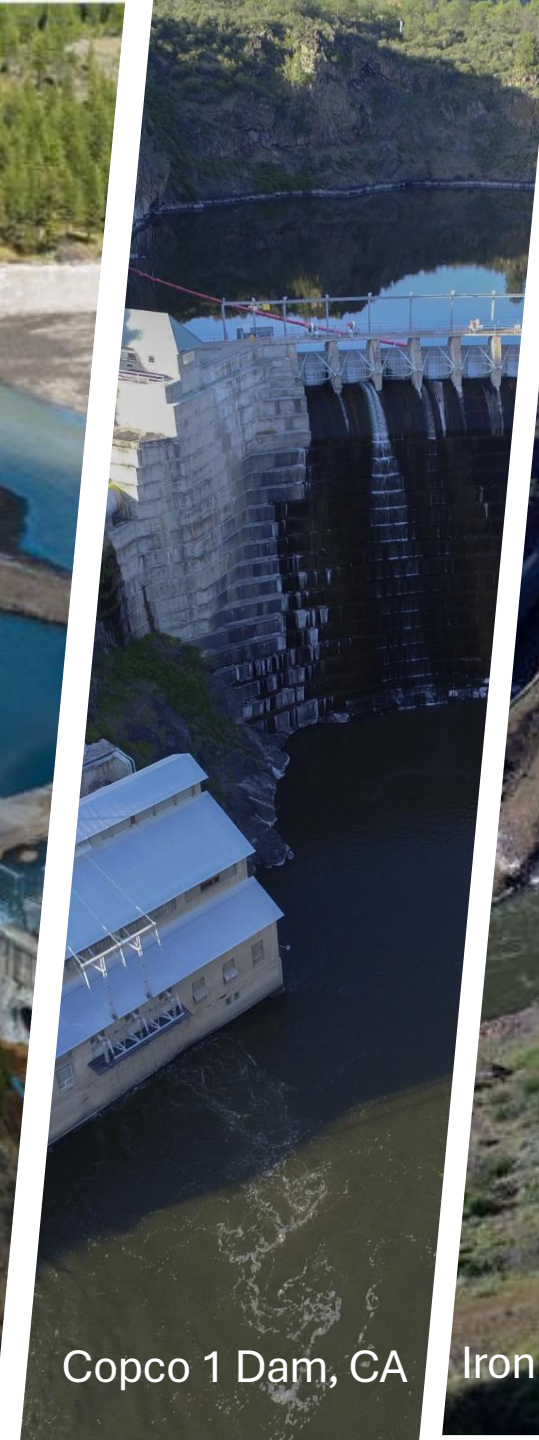
Funded by Oregon and California, without federal support. Completed on time and on budget.



Copco 2 Dam, CA



JC Boyle Dam, OR



Copco 1 Dam, CA



Iron Gate Dam, CA

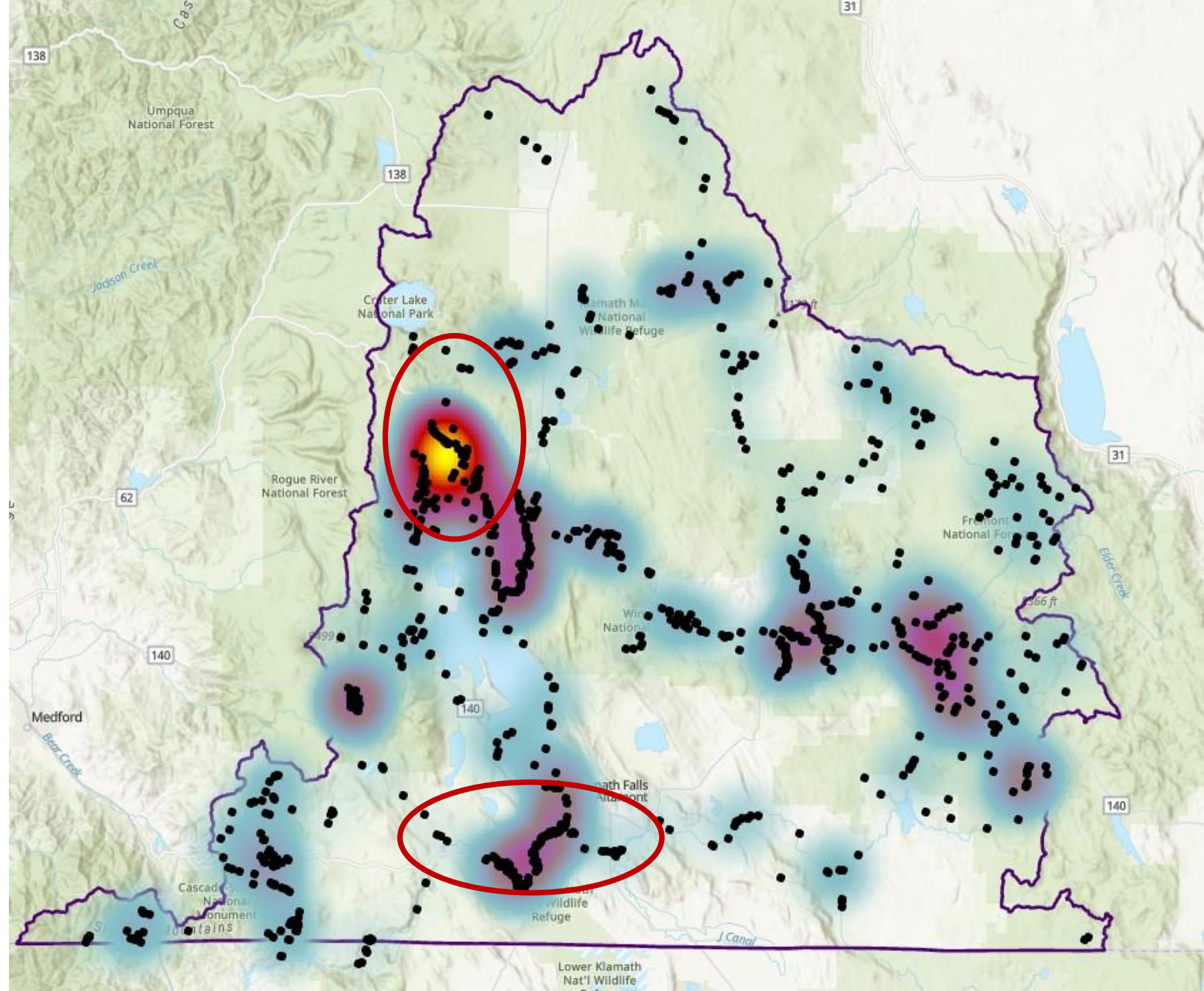
Ongoing work

2016 Klamath Power and Facilities Agreement Implementation

Project infrastructure improvements at no-cost to irrigators. Major effort to install fish screens.

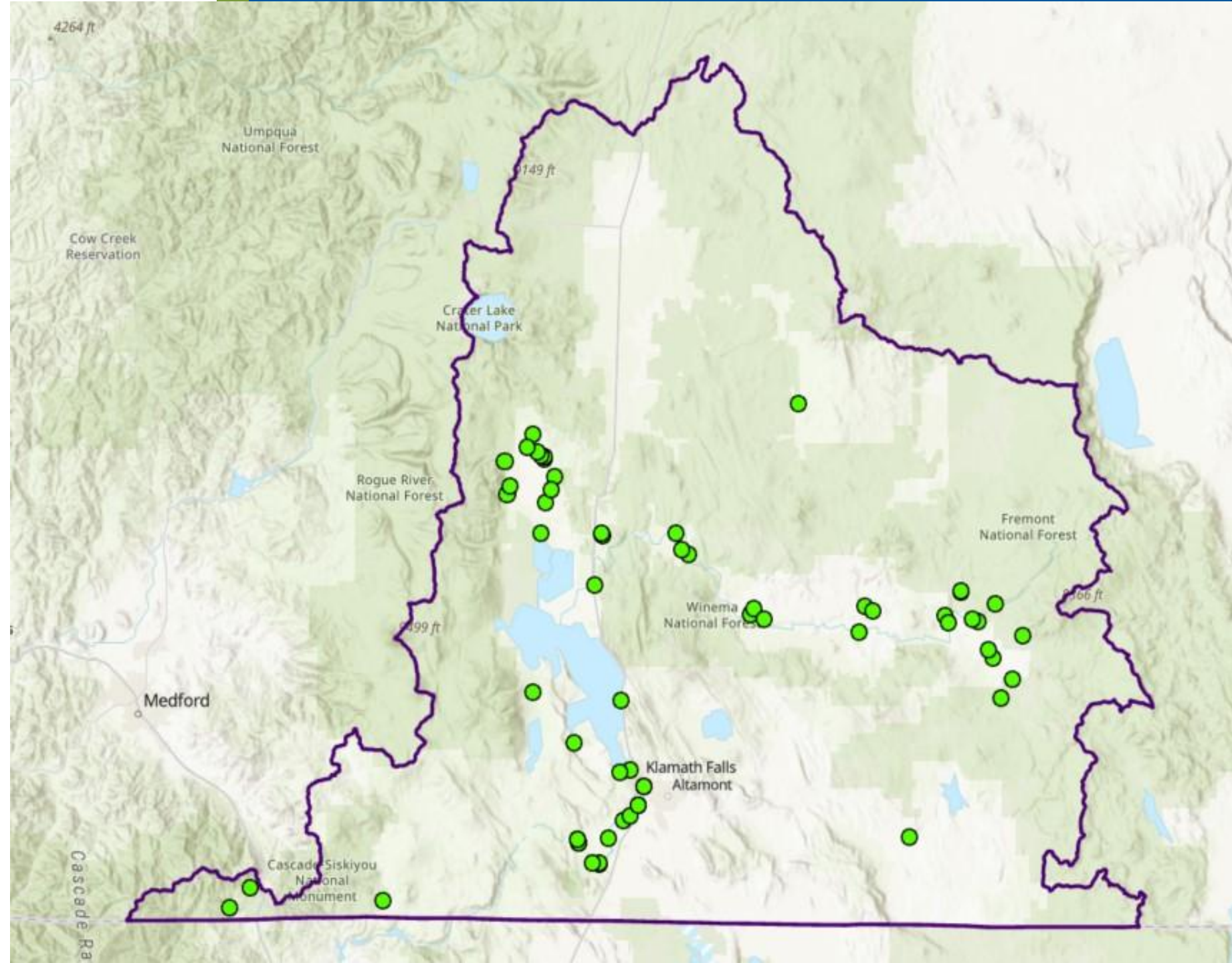


Priority areas for fish screens



Progress to date

- 56 known screens
- 17 since KPFA establishment in 2016
- 7 in progress



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