

Natural Resources Program Area				
	2011-13 Actuals	2013-15 Leg. Approved*	2015-17 CSL LFO	2015-17 Governor's
General Fund	133,771,297	228,343,474	179,163,468	207,739,705
Lottery Funds	160,649,358	168,608,490	119,403,313	170,681,775
Other Funds	765,238,748	1,050,725,814	914,542,417	915,221,126
Other Funds Non-Limited	194,130,371	313,543,334	168,234,995	288,339,349
Federal Funds	263,938,685	281,920,838	236,423,704	284,338,854
Federal Funds Non-Limited	-	40,000	104,000	104,000
Total Funds	1,517,728,459	2,043,181,950	1,617,871,897	1,866,424,809
Positions	5,331	5,349	5,133	5,361
FTE	4,300.91	4,338.14	4,185.74	4,299.09
* includes Emergency Board and administrative actions through December 2014				

Program Area Description

The Natural Resources Program Area includes: Department of Agriculture; Columbia River Gorge Commission; Department of Energy; Department of Environmental Quality; Department of Fish & Wildlife; Department of Forestry; Department of Geology and Mineral Industries; Department of Land Conservation and Development; Land Use Board of Appeals; Department of State Lands; Marine Board; Department of Parks and Recreation; Water Resources Department; and the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.

Co-Chair Budget Framework

Priorities and targeted investments:

- Addresses the Department of Fish and Wildlife's revenue problem due to increasing costs, regulatory mandates, and a declining base of voluntary fee payers.
- Continues fish management reforms enacted in 2013 for the Columbia River.
- Protects Oregon's water quality with new General Fund investments.
- Ensures the Department of Forestry has adequate administrative capacity to support the Department's various programs.

- Addresses adequate public notifications through investments in the Forest Electronic Notification System at the Department of Forestry.
- Protects Oregon's air quality with continued investments in monitoring.
- Ensures the Department of Agriculture's laboratory meets federal guidelines and has the capacity to meet testing demands.
- Adds resources for administrative functions at the Department of Agriculture to ease the burden on fee payers and reduce future fee increases.
- Provides the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries with a two year budget and additional support to backfill revenue shortfalls.
- The Co-Chairs' propose adding funds to the Natural Resources program area for targeted investments should revenue be available when the final budget is adopted.

Additional issues to be resolved:

- Sage Grouse conservations proposals
- Additional investments in Regional Solutions Teams
- Funding for the Working Farms and Forests plan
- Expansion of current programs for natural hazards planning
- Additional Predator Control funding
- Continued funding of LIDAR mapping