

# Senate Bill 947

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Establishes certain additional requirements concerning projects under Good Neighbor Authority Agreement.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement; amending ORS 526.275.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 526.275 is amended to read:

5 526.275. (1) As used in this section:

6 (a) "Additive" means an increase in the pace, scale and quality of forest, rangeland and water  
7 restoration services on federal lands within Oregon, including but not limited to services to produce  
8 timber harvest volumes that exceed outputs that would be produced by federal land management  
9 agencies alone.

10 (b) "Federal land management agencies" means the United States Forest Service and the Bureau  
11 of Land Management.

12 (c) "Forest, rangeland and water restoration services" means activities that:

13 (A) Treat insect-infested or disease-infected trees;

14 (B) Reduce hazardous fuels; or

15 (C) Restore or improve forest, rangeland or watershed health, including but not limited to fish  
16 or wildlife habitat health.

17 (d) "Good Neighbor Authority Agreement" means the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement that  
18 the Governor, the State Forester and the State Fish and Wildlife Director entered into with the  
19 United States Forest Service on March 29, 2016.

20 (2) It is the policy of the state to pursue projects under the Good Neighbor Authority Agreement  
21 that increase timber harvest volume, **promote timber production**, contribute to job creation, re-  
22 duce wildfire risks to all lands, **promote resilient landscapes**, **create and** improve wildlife  
23 habitat, *[and]* **improve** watershed health, **promote clean air and water**, **support recreation** and  
24 stimulate local economies.

25 (3) *[To the extent allowed by the agreement,]* State agencies that are signatories to the **Good**  
26 **Neighbor Authority Agreement**:

27 (a) Shall work with federal land management agencies, **to the extent allowed by the Good**  
28 **Neighbor Authority Agreement**, to give priority to projects that:

29 [(a)] (A) Consist of additive activities;

30 [(b)] (B) Maximize economic benefit to this state; and

31 [(c)] (C) Recover the state agency costs of implementing the projects.

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1           **(b) May not participate in or agree to projects under the Good Neighbor Authority**  
2 **Agreement that occur on Oregon and California Railroad Revested Lands.**  
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