## 2023 Legislative Session HB 3019: OFRI REFORM



Using recommendations from the Secretary of State, HB 3019 seeks to make OFRI's mission clear and guide it into the future with the appropriate scope and resources.

#### Summary

• Implements Oregon Environmental Literacy Plan using funds from additional privilege tax under forest products harvest tax, while funding OFRI and OFLP. Diversifies OFRI board.

### Monies from tax will be distributed as follows:

- 33% to Oregon Forest Resources Institute
- 33% to Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund
- 34% to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for use by OSU Extension to implement Oregon Environmental Literacy Plan



# Senate President and House Speaker shall jointly appoint to the board:

- One voting member representing the environmental community
- One voting member with fishery or wildlife related science
- One nonvoting independent member to represent the public
- The Dean of the College of Forestry at Oregon State University shall serve on the board as a nonvoting member.

### Conditions

- OFRI may not expend funds on advertising for public education related for forest practices or on educational materials, trainings, tours or other outreach that does not include conservation perspective.
- Instructs State Forestry Department to review, validate, approve or disapprove accuracy of OFRI communications and publications.

