



SUPPORT SB 530

Oregon's Untapped Climate Solution

Our natural and working lands shape the beauty, culture, and economy of Oregon. Farms, forests, urban parks, wetlands, and other lands are a source of life-sustaining resources, community vitality, and pride. We need to protect these lands from climate extremes and harness their potential as a climate solution.

About SB 530

SB 530 supports the viability of Oregon's forest owners, farmers, and ranchers by investing in natural climate solutions (NCS). This bill will:

- Define natural and working lands (NWL) and establish policy direction to advance NCS.
- Provide dedicated funding for voluntary NCS projects, positioning the state to leverage significant new federal funding and private investments.
- Fund and direct state agencies to provide incentives and technical support to forest owners, farmers, and ranchers to implement NCS on NWL.
- Invest in a comprehensive Oregon NWL inventory and workforce analysis to monitor our progress and prioritize future investments.

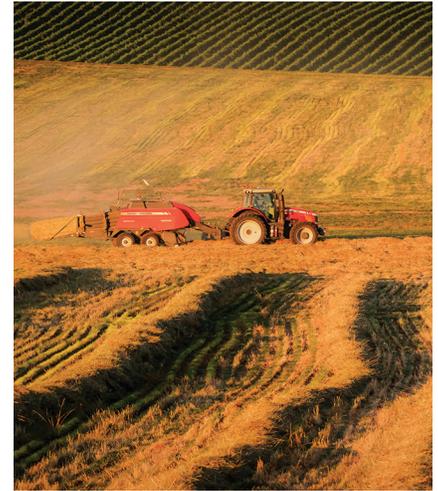
The same practices that sequester and store carbon contribute co-benefits that support farmers, ranchers, forest owners, and entire communities.

- Healthy soils produce healthier crops, retain more moisture, and improve water quality, while increasing the producer's net earnings over time.
- Healthy forests provide clean drinking water, habitat for fish and wildlife, and protection from wildfire.
- Healthy coastal wetlands sequester carbon as they filter water, provide critical habitat, and protect communities from storm surges.

Support and fund SB 530 for Oregon's Natural and Working Lands.



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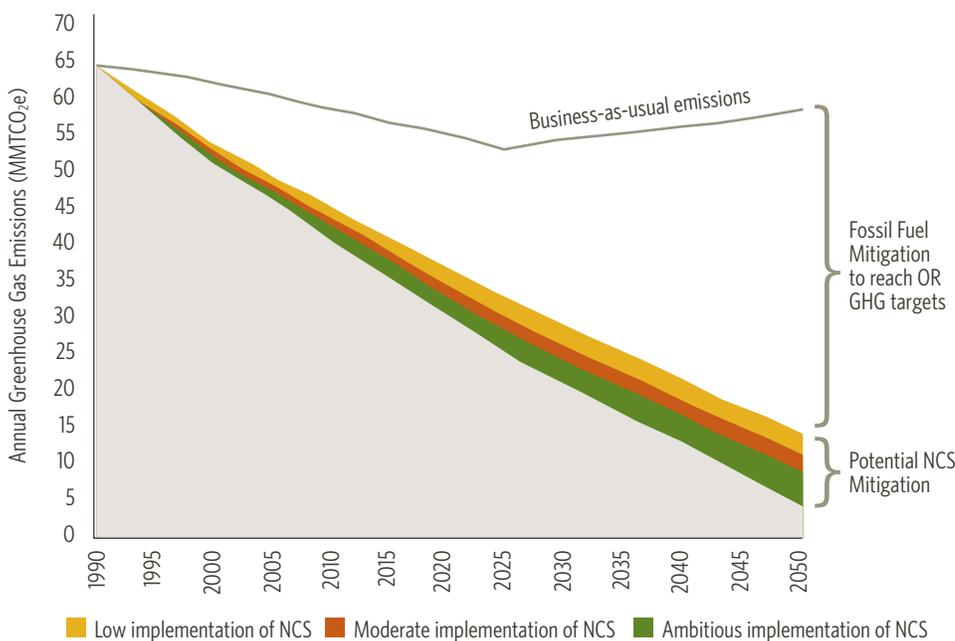


Extreme temperatures, wildfire, drought, pests, and flooding are setting all-time records.

We see the impact of these challenges on farmers', ranchers', and forest owners' profit margins. These problems demand an adaptive approach to stewarding the health of our forests, farms, ranches, wetlands, and coastal habitat.

Existing and emerging natural climate solutions for conservation, agriculture, and forestry show real promise for the future.

SB 530 advances the strategies identified in the Natural and Working Lands Proposal, adopted by the Oregon Global Warming Commission in 2021 after extensive stakeholder engagement. A broad coalition of Oregon farmers, ranchers, forest owners, and environmental and climate organizations support this bill.



This figure illustrates NCS potential relative to Oregon's 2018 projected business-as-usual emissions trajectory and state 2050 statutory goal. The white area shows the needed fossil fuel mitigation across other sectors while the colored wedges show the potential contribution of NCS. Modified from Graves et al. 2020.

DID YOU KNOW?

Natural climate solutions build on Oregon's emissions goals

The Oregon Global Warming Commission found that natural climate solutions can sequester at least an additional 5 MMTCO_{2e} per year in Oregon's natural and working lands and waters by 2030, and at least 9.5 MMTCO_{2e} per year by 2050.

What are natural climate solutions?

Natural climate solutions are activities that protect or enhance the ability of natural and working lands to sequester and store carbon or reduce greenhouse gas emissions while maintaining or increasing climate resilience, human well-being, and biodiversity. They can protect Oregon communities and natural resource economies from climate-fueled droughts, wildfires, and unprecedented heat.

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Organizations Supporting SB 530

FARMS AND RANCHES

2FoxFarm, Rickreall
6 Ranch, Enterprise
Agency Ranch, Chiloquin
Belle Mare Farm, Willamina
Bethel Heights Vineyard, Salem
Black Tansy Farm, Springfield
Blue Raven Farm, Amity
Bunchgrass Land & Livestock, Union
Campfire Farms, Mulino
CAMPO, Hillsboro
Carman Ranch, Wallowa
Clearview Heritage Farm, Halsey
Cooper Mountain Vineyards, Beaverton
Deck Family Farm, Junction City
Defrees Ranch, Baker City
Elderberry Wisdom Farm, Salem
Fields Farm, Bend
Fry Family Farm, Medford
Full Cellar Farm, Boring
Good Rain Farm, Portland
Grassward Dairy, Blodgett
Hardy Seeds, Ashland
Hope Well Wine, Sheridan
Horton Road Organics, Blachly
Humming Bee Nursery, Marcola
Knudsen Vineyards, Dundee
La Creole Orchards, Salem
Labishire Homestead Commons, Brooks
Living Earth Farm, Eugene
Middle Mountain Farm, Portland
MoonRidge Farms, Beaver Creek
Nella Mae's Farm, Cove
Oak Pond, Noti
Oakhill Organics, Dayton
Oodelally Farm, Central Point
Oshala Farm, Grants Pass
Pandion Farm, Corvallis
PK Pastures, Sweet Home
Pompadour Lavender Farm, Ashland
Rietmann Ranch, Condon
River Bend Farm, Pleasant Hill
Sakari Farms LLC, Bend
Shaniko Wool Company, Maupin
Small is Beautiful, Eugene
Sublime Organics, Sublimity
Sweet Union Farm, Klamath Falls
Thomas Creek Farm, Molalla
Upriver Organics, Leaburg
Wade & Rufener Orchards, The Dalles
Wahl-3 Livestock, Port Orford
White Oak Farm, Williams
Winter Green Farm, Noti

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Kathleen Sullivan, former Clatsop County Commissioner

FOREST OWNERS AND MANAGERS

EFM Investments & Advisory, Portland
Glebis Woods, Gaston
Hyla Woods, Gaston
Paz FSC Forestry, Springfield
Pilgrims' Pause, Corbett
Tim and Shauna Storey, forest owners, Yamhill
Zena Forest Products, Willamette Valley Eola Hills

ORGANIZATIONS

1000 Friends of Oregon
350 Salem OR
350 Washington County
350PDX
American Farmland Trust
Beyond Toxics
Center for Biological Diversity
Climate Solutions
Coalition of Oregon Land Trusts (COLT)
Coast Range Association
Douglas County Global Warming Coalition
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
Electrify Now
Forest Stewards Guild
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Metro Climate Action Team
Oregon Association of Conservation Districts
Oregon Business for Climate
Oregon Climate & Agriculture Network
Oregon Environmental Council
Oregon Interfaith Power & Light
Oregon Organic Coalition
Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition
Oregon Wild
Pacific Forest Trust
Portland Audubon
Rise Up
Rogue Riverkeeper
Southern Oregon Climate Action Now
Sunrise PDX
Sustainable Northwest
The League of Women Voters of Oregon
The Nature Conservancy
Treekeepers of Washington County
Urban Greenspaces Institute
Washington County Citizen Action Network
We Keep Trees Standing