



**2025  
LEGISLATIVE  
SESSION**

**HB 5009**

**2025-27 GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET**

**Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Natural Resources**

**March 31 and April 1, 2025**

# Presentation Overview




 **ODFW Background**

 **2025-27 Budget**

 **Habitat Division**

 **Wildlife Division**

 **Fish Division**

 **Agency Administration**

 **Oregon State Police**

 **Key Performance Measures**

# OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE



# MISSION

**To protect and enhance Oregon's fish and wildlife and their habitats for use and enjoyment by present and future generations.**





# Strategic Vision

**ODFW is a recognized steward of Oregon's fish and wildlife resources with diversified funding that supports our mission.**

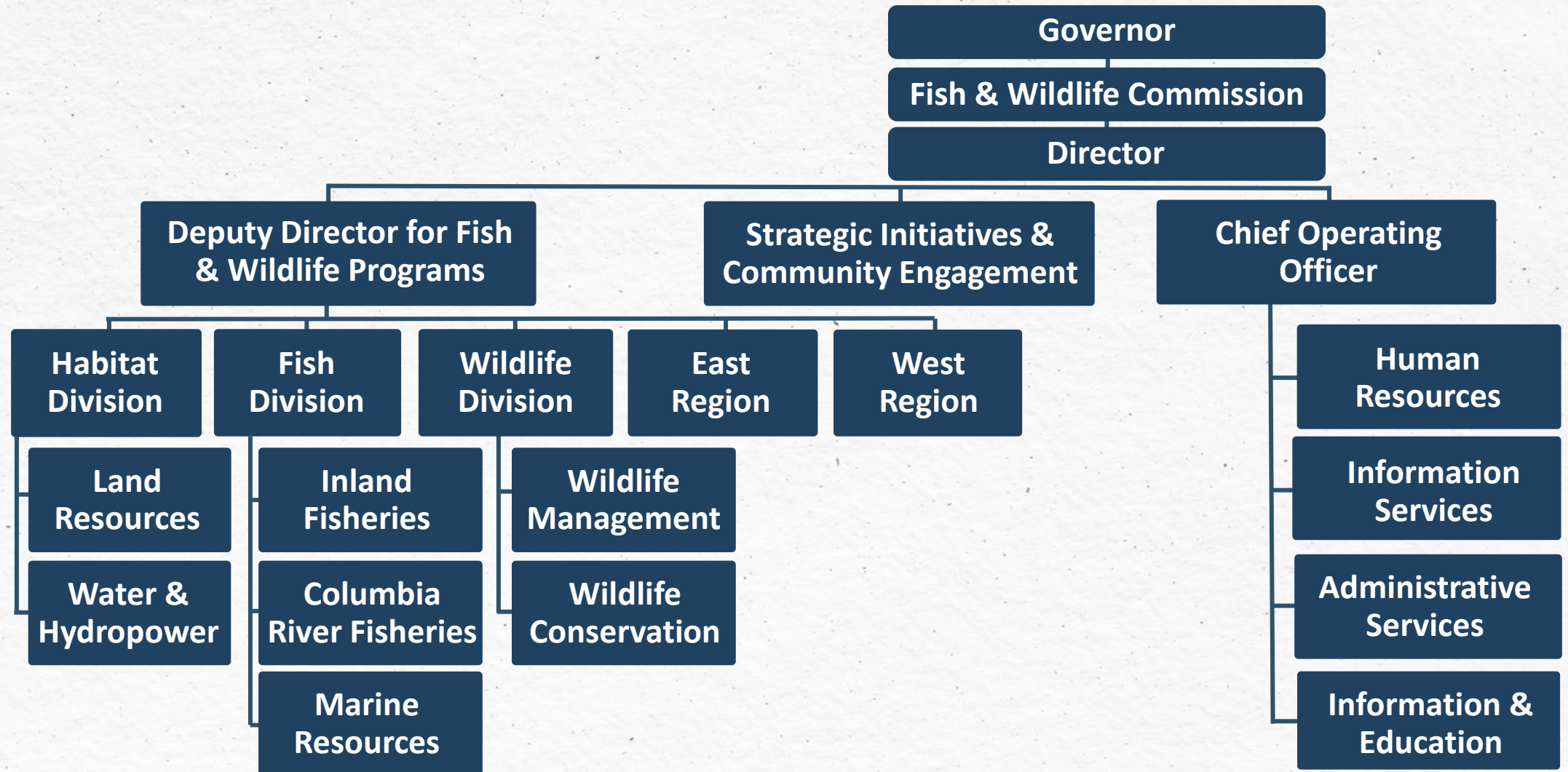
## GOALS:

1. Demonstrate effective stewardship of Oregon's fish, wildlife, and their habitats.
2. Increase and diversify public use and enjoyment of Oregon's fish and wildlife resources
3. Expand support for fish, wildlife, and their habitats
4. Improve our operational efficiency and ability to communicate performance.



# Agency Organization

2025-27 GRB  
1,361 Positions  
1,173 FTE





# Science-based Management

• DATA DRIVEN

• STRATEGIC

• ADAPTIVE



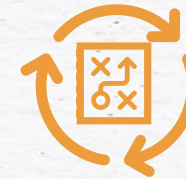
## MONITORING

- Species Population Health
- Harvest Rates
- Habitat Conditions



## APPLIED SCIENCE

- Understanding limiting factors
- Developing new technology
- Improving efficiency and accuracy of monitoring



## ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT


- Inform action
- Prioritize where we work and what we work on
- Develop and implement management plans

# Decentralized Workforce

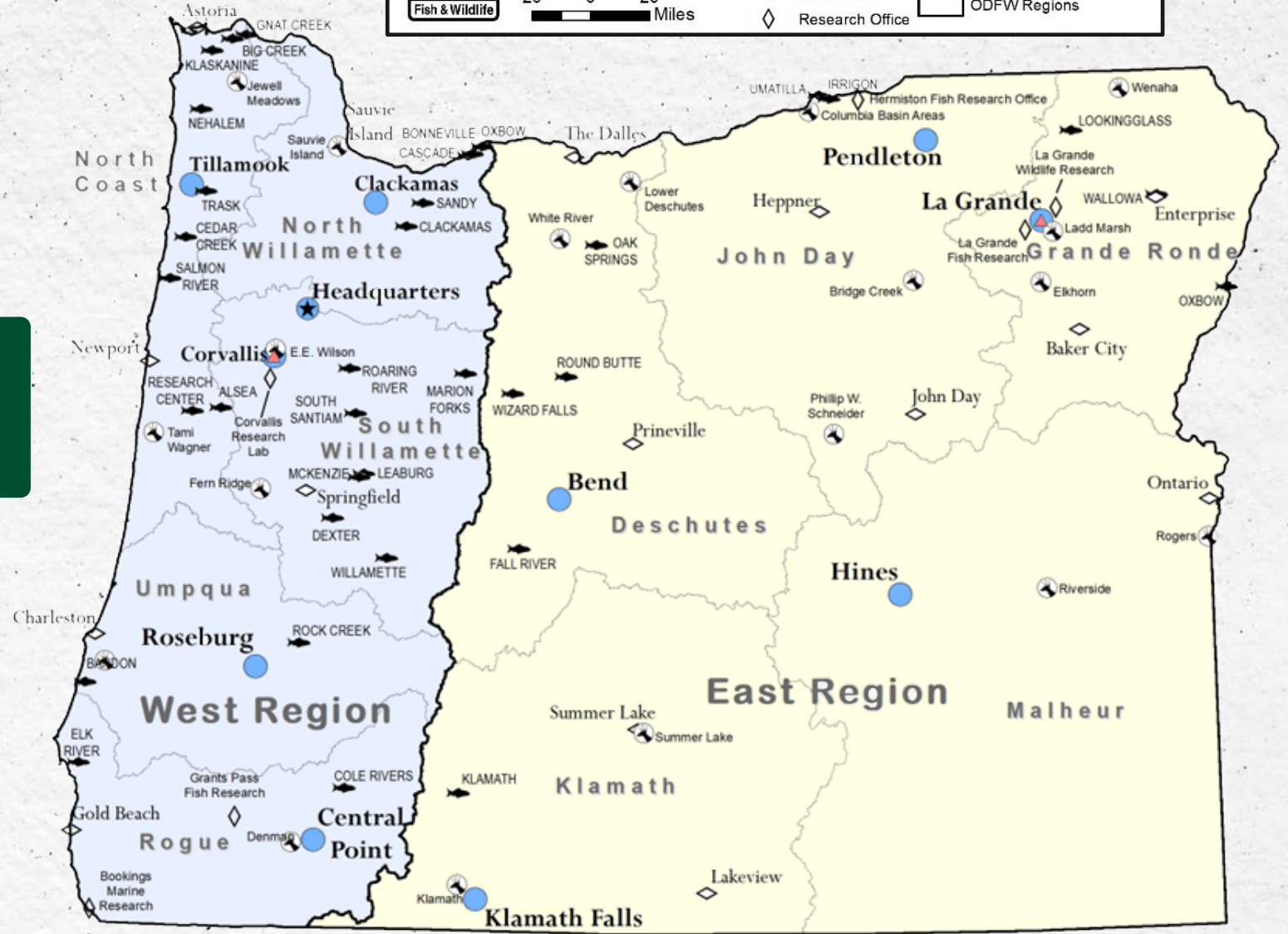


**20**  **Wildlife Areas**

**200K+**  **Acres of Land**

**33**  **Fish Hatcheries**

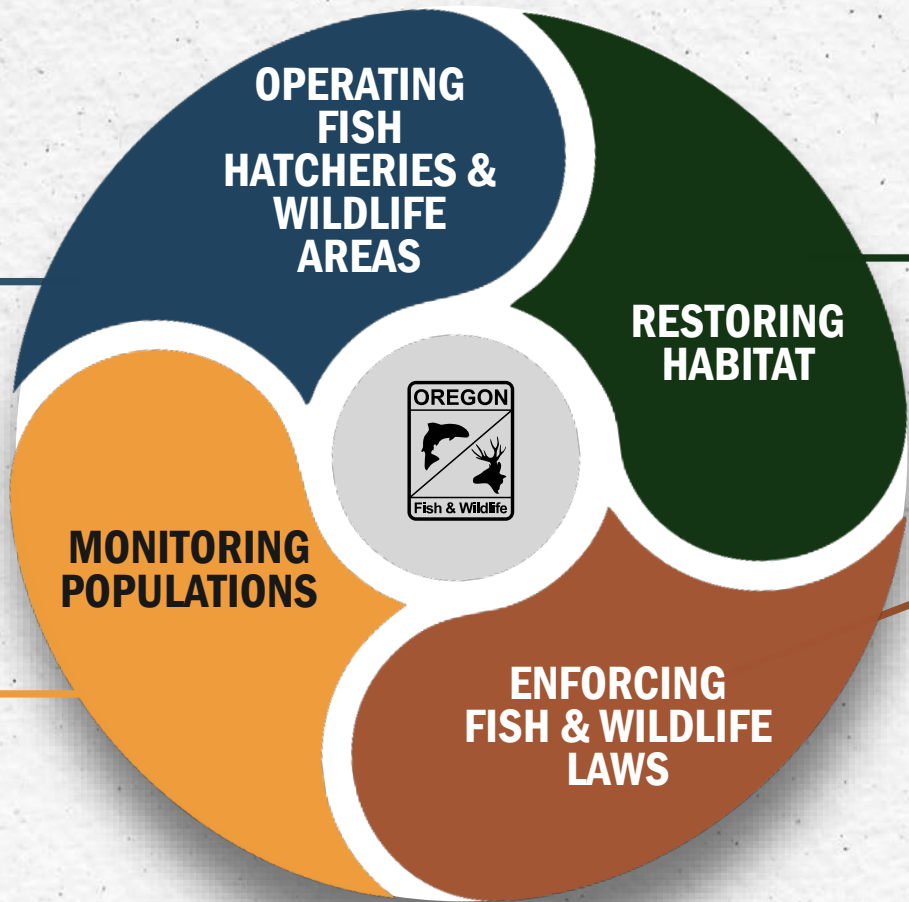
**93**  **Office Locations Statewide**



Created by ODFW GIS 3/9/2023



# Boots on the ground







# Partnerships are Critical

## ODFW AS A PARTNER

- Science-based
- Practical, solution-oriented
- Balancing economic and environmental sustainability
- Supporting voluntary conservation

## ODFW'S PARTNERS

- Private landowners
- Tribal Governments
- State/Federal/Local Agencies
- Conservation, industry groups
- SWCDs & Watershed Councils
- Universities
- VOLUNTEERS

# Commercial Fisheries

- 100** Species harvested
- 304M** Pounds landed
- 9,200** Direct jobs
- \$558M** Contribution to the economy

# Hunting

- 300k+** Oregonians
- \$96** Spent per trip day
- \$162M** Contribution to the economy



# Recreational Fisheries

- 600k** Oregonians
- 3,369** Direct jobs
- \$397M** Direct spending

# Wildlife Viewing and Nature Observation

- \$88** Spent per trip day
- \$940M** Contribution to the economy

# Policy and Budget Drivers



**Increasing Complexity and Costs**



**Landscape-Scale Impacts**



**Connecting with Oregonians**



**Diversifying Revenue to Sustain Mission**

# Fish and Wildlife Management is Complex

- Diverse Fish
- Diverse Wildlife
- Diverse Habitats
- Diverse People
- Diverse Values



# Landscape Scale Change

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**Increasing air and stream temperatures**

**Decreasing snowpack and water availability**

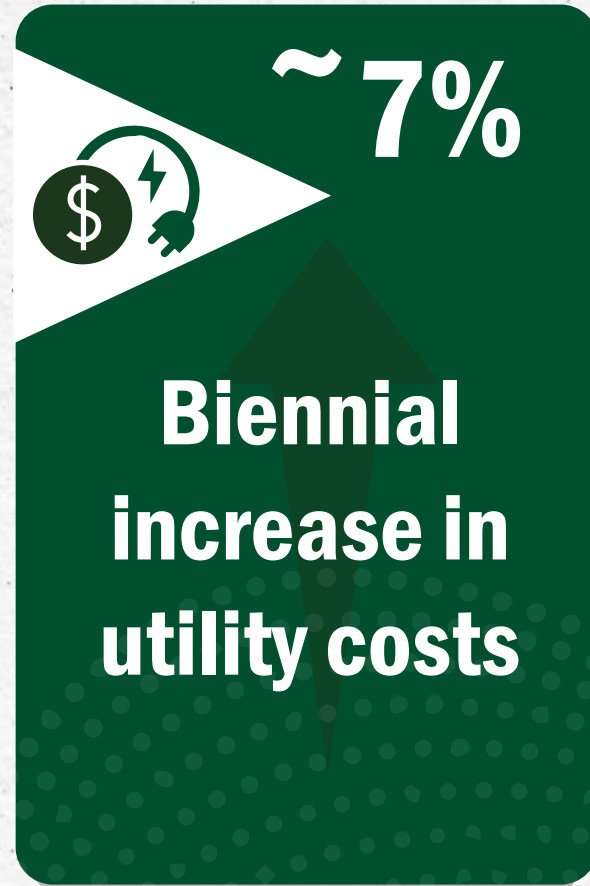
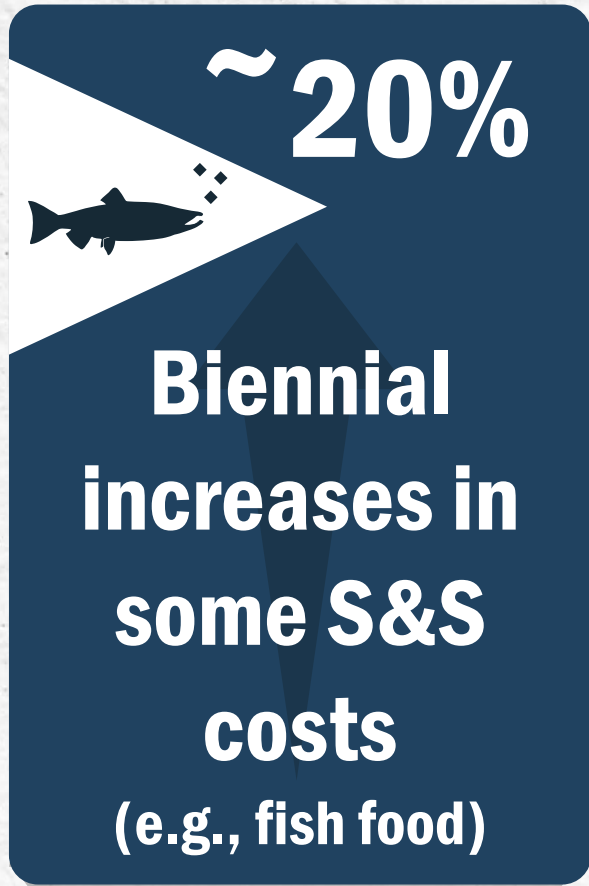
**More frequent and intense “megafires”**

**Land conversion**

**Invasive Species**



# Increasing Costs





# Connecting with Oregonians



**Care for existing relationships**

**AND**



**Intentionally building relationships with those who may not have engaged with ODFW in the past**



**EVERYONE BELONGS OUTDOORS**

# Our Principles for Developing a Budget

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**We continually assess and improve our programs.**

**We ensure we have the resources to meet our mission.**

**We develop a sustainable budget.**

**We strive to be sensitive to the cost to our customers.**

**We provide transparency while we develop our budget.**





# Limited levers to address revenue gaps



# Public Involvement



## Public Response:

- Keep youth & pioneer licenses costs reasonable
- Cost to be incremental over time
- Fund Chronic Wasting Disease work with increased revenue
- Maintain turkey/cougar/bear tags at current cost

# 2025-27 Governor's Recommended Budget

**\$596,604,702 Total**

11%

**General Fund**

2%

**Lottery Funds**

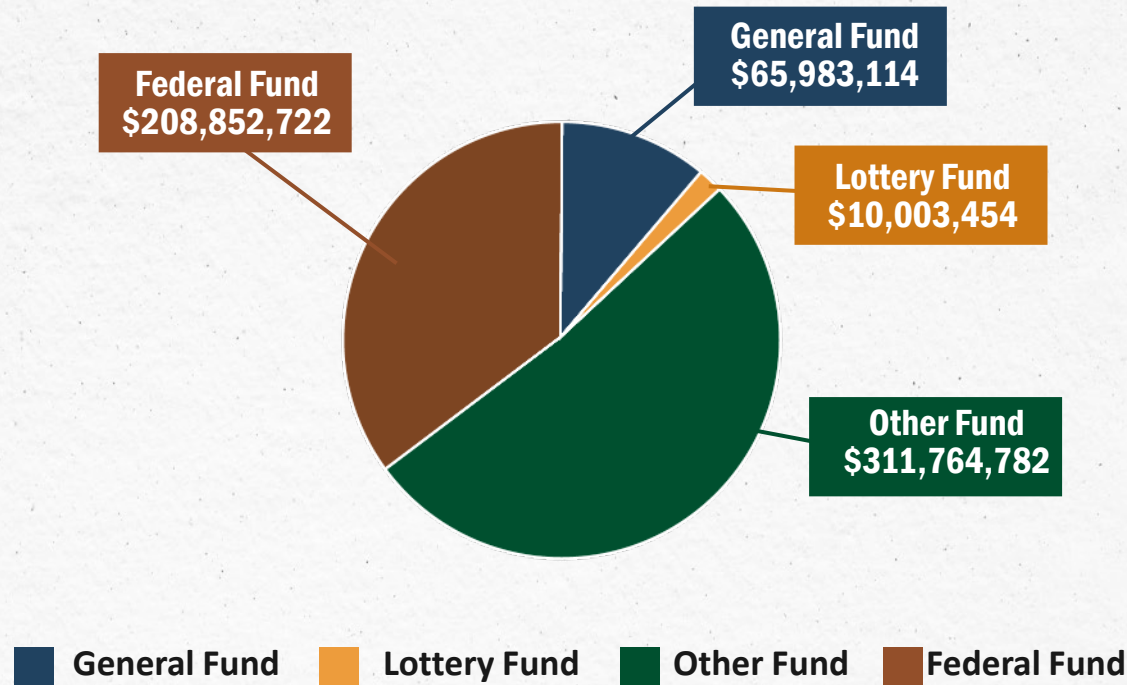
35%

**Federal Funds**

52%

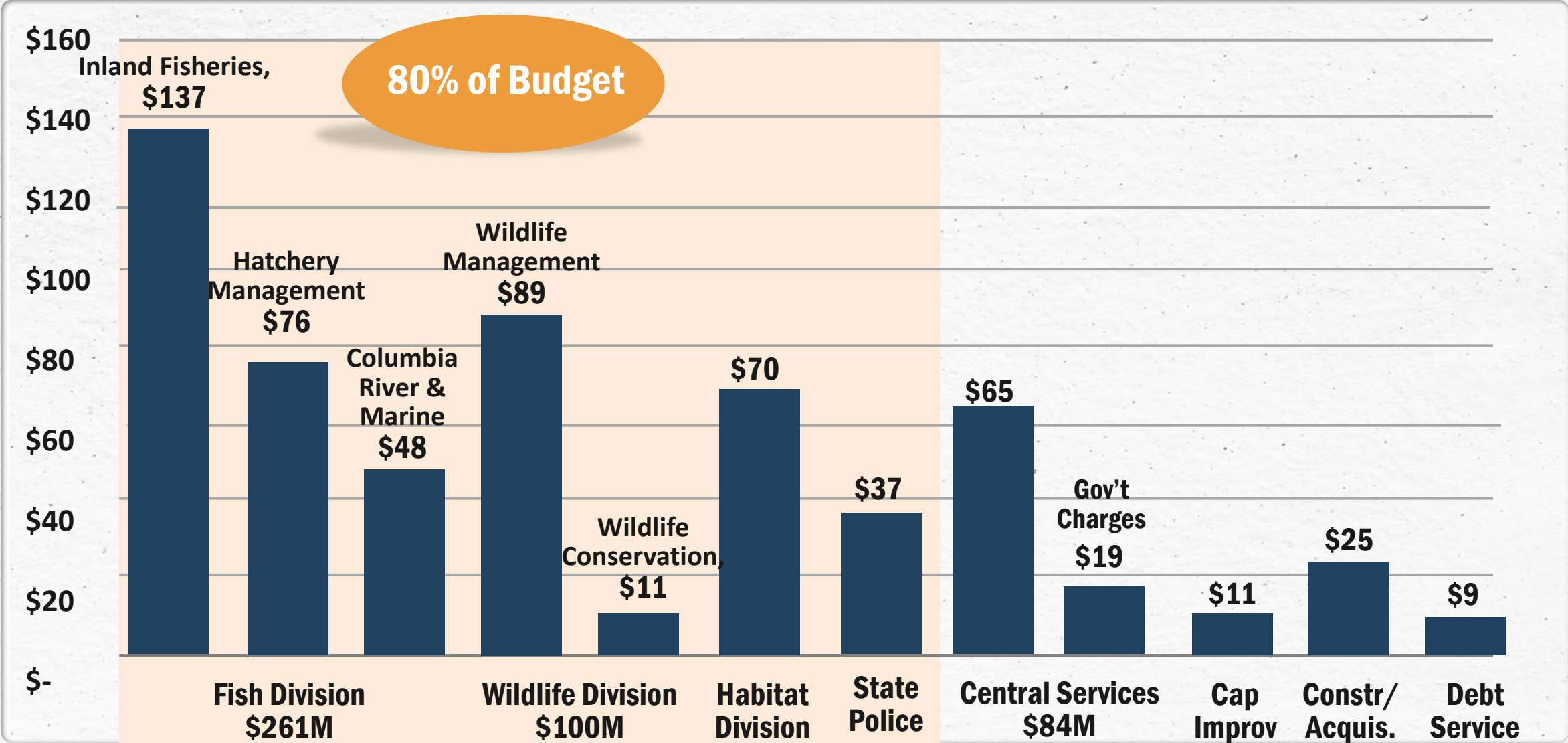
**Other Funds**

**2025-27 GRB\***



\*Dependent on Revenues from HB 2342, HB 2343, HB 2345

# 2025-27 Budget by Program Area



**Hunting and fishing related revenues account for 40% of ODFW's total budget.**

**LEVERAGE FEDERAL DOLLARS**

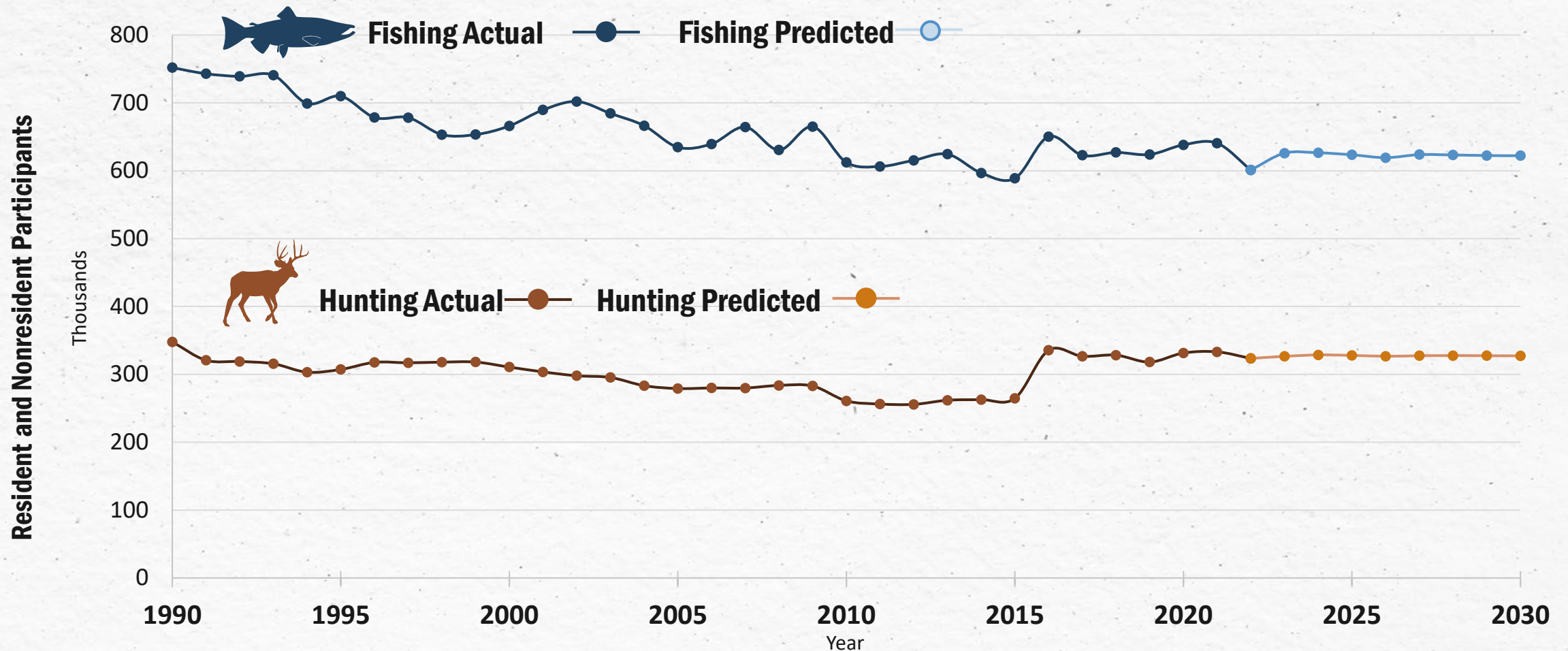
**\$66M**

**Pittman Robertson and Sportfish Restoration funding linked to license sales**



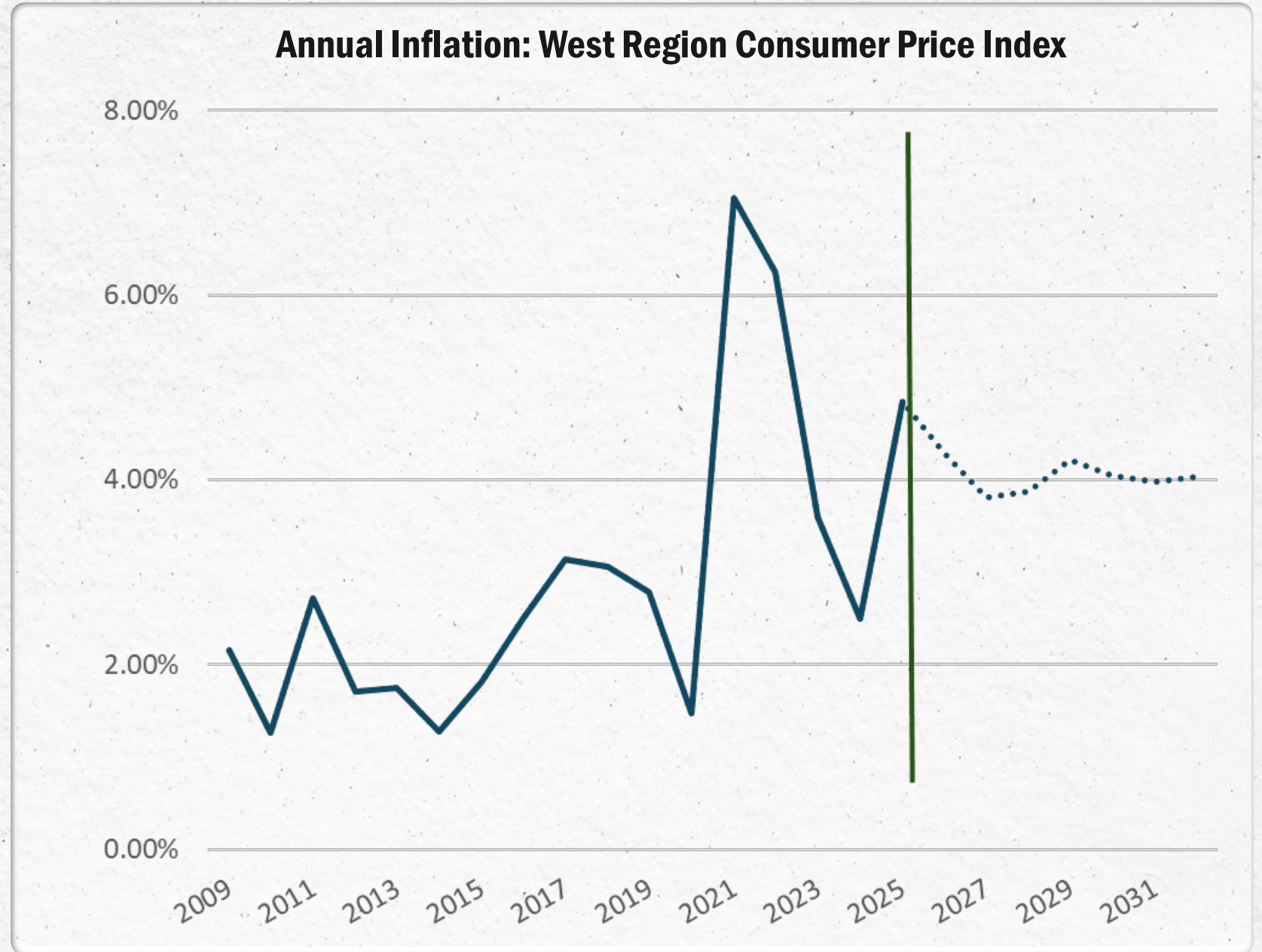
# Stable Participation in Hunting and Fishing

## Oregon Hunting and Fishing Participation Trends



# Keeping pace with inflation:

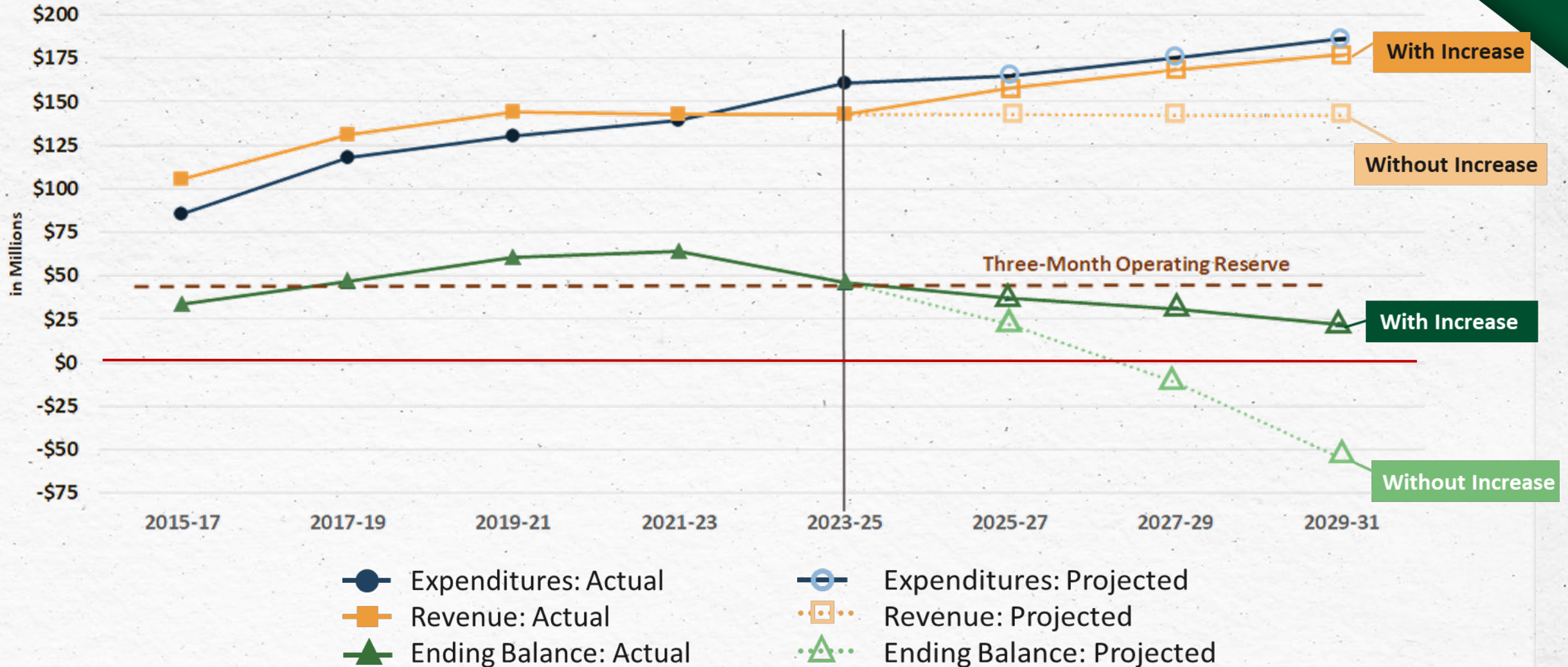
**Predicted  
cumulative  
inflation from  
2020 through  
2025 is 25%**



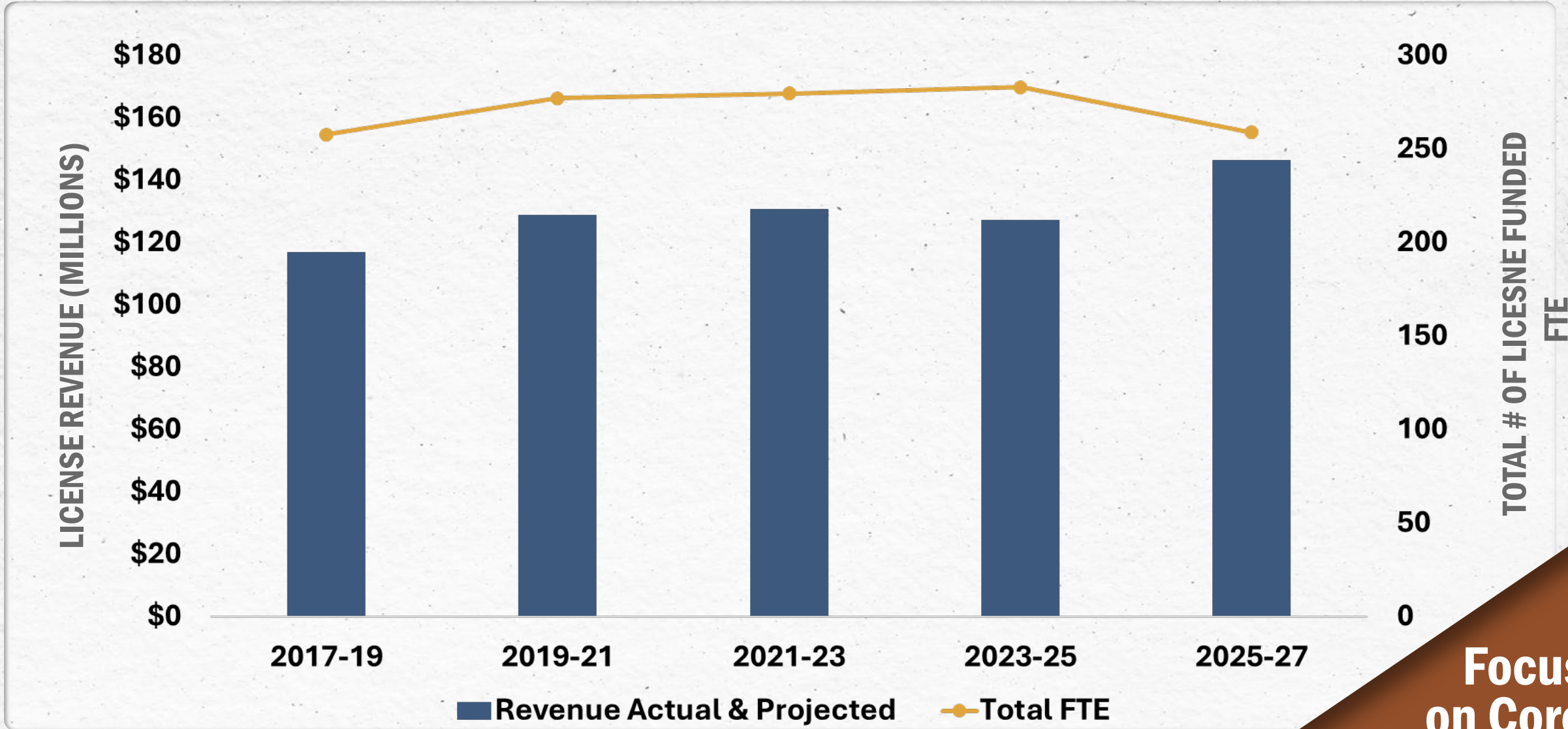
# Routine Fee Cycles

**HB2342**

**10 years**  
since last  
fee bill



# Sustaining, not growing





# 2025-27 GRB Policy Option Packages

**25 POPS**

**1 Fee Bill POP**

Revenue POP 107 (OF)

**9 New Investment POPs**

Klamath Basin POPs 102 (GF), 106 (OF)

Habitat & Biodiversity POPs 113 (OF), 114 (OF)

Harmful Algal Blooms POP 111 (OF)

Hatchery Resiliency Infrastructure (GF Bonds) & Debt Service

Rogue Office Replacement (GF Bonds) & Debt Service

**10 Continuation POPs (1 GF, 6 OF, 1 LF Bonds, 2 FF)**

**5 Fund Shift POPs (\$0)**

**Investments  
tied to core  
programs  
& priorities**

# 2025-27 GRB: Current Service Level Reduction Packages

## Package 090

**General Fund Reductions: \$2,089,236**

\$1.3M	Anti-Poaching Initiative Outreach, Coordination, and Enforcement
\$430k	Predator Control Fund
\$312k	Agricultural Ditch Maintenance Program
\$68K	Rogue South Coast S&S

**Reductions to GF & OF-License funded Programs**

## Package 070

**Other Fund-License Reductions: \$8,794,554**

\$1.9M	Fish Research and Monitoring
\$1.5M	Hatcheries
\$1.2M	Oregon Hatchery Research Center
\$1.0M	Commercial Fisheries Program
\$1.0M	Central Services
\$600k	Oregon State Police Enforcement
\$600k	Fish Districts
\$600k	Regional Administration
\$370k	Marine Resources Program

**Linked to HB2342**

A lush green forest with moss-covered trees and ferns.

**HABITAT  
DIVISION**

Two deer, an adult and a fawn, in a grassy field.

**WILDLIFE  
DIVISION**

A close-up of a large fish, possibly a salmon, swimming in clear water.

**FISH  
DIVISION**

A green building with "FISH & WILDLIFE" written on it.

**CENTRAL  
SERVICES**

A blue and white boat named "GUARDIAN" on the water, with two people on board.

**OREGON STATE  
POLICE**

