



Oregon Plan Agencies – Roles

A number of Oregon state agencies are responsible for water quality, water quantity, habitat protection, regulation of habitat alteration, and restoration activities, as well as fishery harvest management and production of hatchery fish. Each agency is given authority by legislative action and their capacity is limited by budget appropriations.

The **Oregon Department of Agriculture** (ODA) provides leadership, service, and regulatory functions for food production and processing, and protection of the agricultural natural resource base.

The **Department of Environmental Quality** (DEQ) is responsible for protecting and enhancing Oregon's water and air quality and for managing the proper disposal of solid and hazardous wastes.

The **Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife** (ODFW) is responsible for all Oregon fish and wildlife resources and their habitats, including operating hatcheries, selling hunting and angling licenses, advising on habitat protection for Oregon's diverse wildlife populations and educating the public on natural resource issues.

The **Oregon Department of Forestry** (ODF), at the direction of the state forester, appointed by the State Board of Forestry, acts on all matters pertaining to forestry, including collecting and sharing information about the conditions of Oregon's forests, protecting forestlands, and conserving forest resources.

The **Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries** (DOGAMI) is Oregon's centralized source of geologic information.

The **Department of Land Conservation and Development** (DLCD) administers Oregon's statewide land-use planning program and Oregon's federally approved coastal-management program.

The **Department of State Lands** (DSL) manages grazing and agricultural land, forest land, off-shore land and estuarine tidelands, and submerged and submersible lands of the state's extensive navigable waterway system. The department administers the state's removal-fill law and is the lead agency for the protection and maintenance of wetlands resources.

The **Oregon State Marine Board** is Oregon's recreational boating agency, dedicated to safety, education and access.

The mission of the **State Parks and Recreation Department** (OPRD) is to "provide and protect outstanding, natural, scenic, cultural, historic and recreational sites for the enjoyment and education of present and future generations." The department operates Oregon's state parks.

The mission of the **Department of State Police** (OSP) is to develop, promote and provide protection to the people, property and natural resources of the state, along with ensuring the state's safety and livability.

The **Department of Transportation's** (ODOT) mission is to provide Oregonians with a safe, efficient transportation system that supports economic opportunity and livable communities. ODOT invests funding to retrofit and replace culverts that block fish passage across state highways.

The **Water Resources Department's** (WRD) core functions are to protect existing water rights, facilitate voluntary streamflow restoration, increase the understanding of the demands on the state's water resources, provide accurate and accessible water resource data, and facilitate water supply solutions.

The **Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board** (OWEB) provides watershed improvement grants, technical guidance and assistance to local groups working with volunteer landowners to improve watershed health. OWEB also partners with other stakeholders, agencies, local governments, tribes, and industries to support watershed restoration efforts.