



Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan

With family owners whose roots to forestry run five generations deep, Port Blakely is determined to use our business as a way to advance the ideals and best practices of good corporate and environmental stewardship. We are currently developing a federal Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for approximately 30,000 acres of our forestland located in Clackamas County, Oregon to enhance wildlife and fish habitat and to ensure long-term regulatory certainty with respect to the Endangered Species Act. The HCP will also qualify as a Stewardship Agreement (SA) by exceeding Oregon forest practices rules, providing long-term regulatory certainty at the state level.

Objective of HCP/SA

The objective of the HCP/SA is to provide long-term conservation benefits for multiple aquatic and terrestrial species through voluntary forest management activities, while also protecting the economic viability of Port Blakely.

Rationale

The development of this HCP/SA is a demonstration of Port Blakely's long-term commitment to sustainable forestry in Oregon State. We are proud of our stewardship and will continue to manage our lands in a manner that provides long-term benefits for fish and wildlife.

Strategies outlined in the HCP/SA will complement landscape management efforts on adjacent State and Federal forestlands. Management measures will protect and allow development of functional habitat conditions that are required to support well-distributed, viable populations of terrestrial and aquatic species.

Our forest stewardship practices enhance fish and wildlife habitat which help to conserve species listed under the Endangered Species Act and provide more resource protection than current Oregon forest practices rules. When the HCP/SA is approved, Port Blakely will be able to manage our Oregon forest lands without risk of additional regulatory restrictions affecting our forest management plans for the next 50 years. Thus, the HCP/SA will enable us to continue to be great stewards, enhancing habitat



while producing high-quality forest products and contributing to the economic vitality of Oregon.

Port Blakely has successfully implemented an HCP and Safe Harbor Agreement in Washington, both of which have contributed to our reputation as a thoughtful forestland steward that does the right thing when integrating forestland management and habitat conservation.

The collaborative spirit in which these agreements were developed, respecting the positions and values of diverse stakeholders, the conservation goals for threatened species, and the economic responsibilities of Port Blakely is an example of collaboration and stewardship at its best.

Partners

Developing an HCP is a complex process requiring collaboration between Port Blakely and several agencies: NOAA Fisheries, USFWS, ODF and ODFW. Port Blakely commends the agencies for partnering to develop this innovative, science-based, long-range plan that is mutually beneficial.

Timeline

Present – February 2019:	Draft agreement and environmental assessment
March – April 2019:	Agency and public review
May 2019:	Revisions to final draft
July 2019:	Agency decision to approve

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