



A Presentation to the Board of Natural Resources

# Overview of State Uplands' 2022 Legislative Priority Requests



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# DNR's Legislative Focus Areas for 2022



- Agency Transparency and Efficiency



- Climate Resiliency and Salmon Recovery



- Community and Economic Development



# State Uplands Legislative Priority Requests 2022





# Timber and Land Sale Process Improvements

(Policy Request)



## Summary:

- Updates advertising requirements
- Allows initial use of licensed real estate professional for land sales
- Broadens sale location options





# Commercial Real Estate

(Policy Request)

## Summary:

- Extends lease terms on commercial, industrial, and recreational leases (99 years)
- Allows for rental reevaluation and adjustments
- Requires reporting and financial analysis to OFM for leases > 55 years





# Weed Control for Natural Areas

(Appropriation Adjustment: \$239,000)

## Summary:

- Invasive weed control on 15 natural areas
- Monitoring of past treatments
- Likely budget proviso







# Structurally Deficient Bridges

(Capital Request: \$2.25 million)

## Summary:

- Repairs or replaces 13 bridges
- Safe access for timber sales, recreation, and wildfire





# Recreation Enforcement & Safety

(Operating Request: \$3.8 million)

## Summary:

- Steep increase in recreational use
- Gap between resources and needs is growing
- 7 new law enforcement officers
- 7 recreation staff





# Silviculture Investments

(Capital Request: \$3.9 million)



## Summary:

- Jobs now and in the future
- Healthier and more resilient forests
- 25,000 acres of treatments
- \$13 million return on investment





# Encumbered Lands

(Capital Request: \$28.3 million)

## Summary:

- Wahkiakum, Pacific, and Skamania counties
- Acquire new trust lands
- Creates more jobs
- 5-10 year, multi-phase project





# Puget Sound Corps

(Capital Request: \$4.7 million)

## Summary:

- Rehire 7 crews
- Add 10 new crews
- 102 full-time jobs
- Supports the  
Puget Sound Partnership  
and 2020 Forest Plan



# Summary

Uplands Legislative Proposals: 8

Total State Uplands Request: \$43.2 million

Next Steps:

- Continue to work with tribes, beneficiaries, and stakeholders
- Build support among legislators



