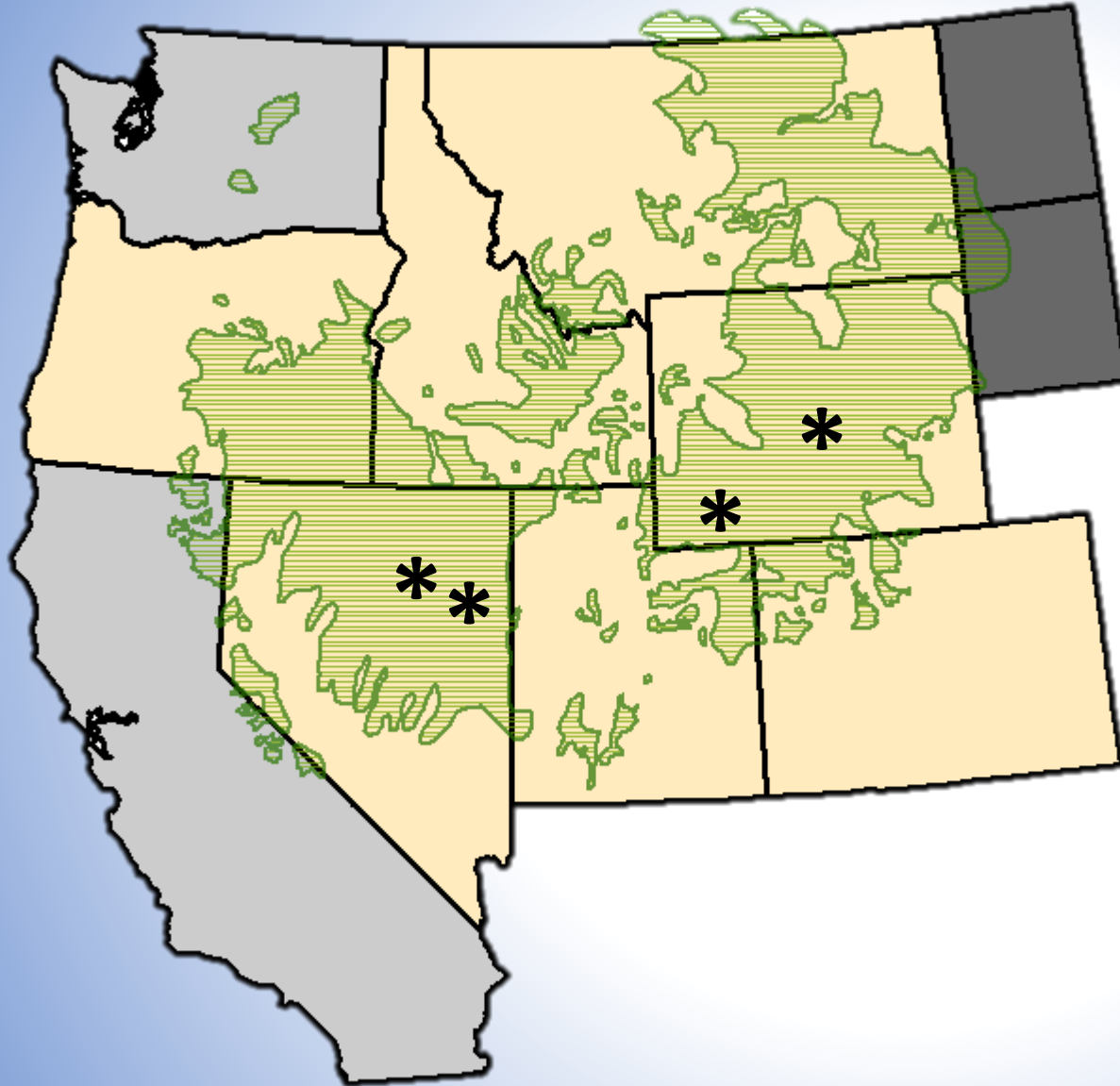


# Mitigation Policy

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# Sage-Grouse Compensatory Mitigation Programs



-  State "ESA"
-  State Voluntary
-  State-Wide CMP
-  Individual Efforts
-  Range

# Greater Sage-grouse Mitigation Policy

- Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Strategy (ODFW, OAR 635-140)
- Fish and Wildlife Habitat Mitigation Policy (ODFW, OAR 635-415)
- Oregon Sage-Grouse Action Plan (Governor's Natural Resources Office)



# Oregon Sage-Grouse Mitigation Program

State-level, net-benefit mitigation program, plus:

- Core area approach & development limits
- Interagency coordination on fire & restoration
- Voluntary landowner agreements
- Significant state investment
- Spatial decision support



# Oregon Sage-Grouse Mitigation Program

## Key Features:

- Strong mitigation hierarchy
- Clear recovery goals, net benefit requirement
- In-lieu fee option
- Function-based accounting at multiple scales
- Durability and stewardship requirements
- State-and-Transition Model approach



# Greater Sage-grouse Mitigation Policy

- Seeking to get a signed agreement with USFWS and BLM for ODFW mitigation policy implementation



# Interagency Coordination

- BLM using a collaborative approach with the states
- USFWS draft mitigation policy



# Mitigation Policy Issues

- Oar 635-140 and Action Plan
  - Mitigation Measures
  - Reference to documents
  - Mitigation Duration
- Testing of HQT
- Development of Conservation Banking and In-lieu Fee policy
  - Bankers need a set of rules



# Questions?

