

Information about Oregon's Forest Collaborative Groups Working on Federal Lands

These assessments represent the number and types of collaborative groups at the time they were conducted, and do not fully reflect current conditions.

[Oregon's Forest Collaboratives - A Rapid Assessment](#)

Emily Jane Davis et al, Oregon State University Extension, 2015.

Oregon continues to lead the U.S. in the number and extent of established collaborative groups on national forests. Understanding similarities and differences in Oregon's current forest collaboratives may aid more informed approaches to peer learning, policy, and technical assistance in public and private land natural resource management across the U.S. West. This research found that Oregon's forest collaboratives differ in several characteristics and reflect the landownership patterns and biophysical characteristics of the regions in which they operate in terms of their reported ownership focus and dominant activities. The majority of collaboratives did share a similar set of organizational characteristics, suggesting that these may have become a formula or template for collaboration in the state. Future study could examine if these characteristics can universally contribute to success for collaboratives with different settings and goals.

[Oregon Forest Collaboratives: 2013 Statewide Inventory](#)

Oregon Solutions, 2013.

Community-based forest health collaboratives have been emerging across Oregon since the early 1990s. The emergence of these collaborative partnerships has been in large part to provide review and recommendations for Federal forest management activities occurring near their communities. Starting with a handful of pioneering local partnership efforts, over 20 community-based collaboratives were identified in this report. As of 2012 there was at least one community-based collaborative group working with each of the 11 National Forests that are wholly, or in part, included within the State's boundaries.

In 2012 Oregon's Federal Forest Working Group was interested in developing more stable administrative support, technical assistance, and project implementation funding mechanisms to contribute to organizational stability of Oregon forest collaborative groups and to facilitate the scaling-up of landscape-level agreement, treatment, restoration, monitoring, and evaluation activities of these groups. To assist this effort, information for 23 forest collaborative groups was gathered and summarized in this Oregon Statewide Forest Collaborative Inventory (the "Inventory"). Of the 23 collaboratives summarized, 14 are focused on "Dry Forest" landscapes and 9 are focused on "West-side Forest" landscapes.