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Background Brief on...

Forestry

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Background

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 527.610 to 527.770, 527.990(1) and 527.992 make up the Oregon Forest Practices Act. Passage of HOUSE BILL 1624 (1971) integrated the Act into the then current forestry laws (Ch. 316, Oregon Laws 1971). In 1972, the Board of Forestry developed and adopted the first implementing administrative rules for the Act.

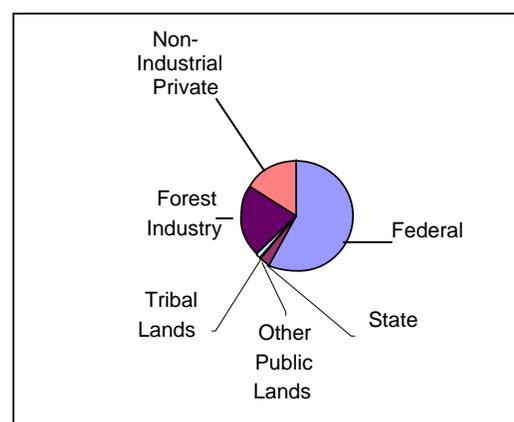
The purpose of Oregon's Forest Practices Act is "to encourage economically efficient forest practices that ensure the continuous growing and harvesting of forest tree species and the maintenance of forestland for such purposes as the leading use on privately owned land, consistent with sound management of soil, air, water, fish and wildlife resources and scenic resources." The State Board of Forestry oversees the Forest Practices Act, establishes policy, and works with the Department of Forestry on implementation.

The State Board of Forestry is a seven-member citizen board, appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. No more than three members may receive any significant portion of their income from the forest products industry. At least one member must reside in each of the state's three major Department of Forestry administrative regions — east, south and northwest. The term of office is four years and no member may serve more than two consecutive full terms. The State Forester serves as Board Secretary.

There are five state forests within Oregon: the Clatsop, Tillamook, Santiam, Elliott, and Sun Pass. In order to manage these forests, the Board of Forestry created seven districts: Astoria (Clatsop State Forest); Tillamook (western part of the Tillamook State Forest); Forest Grove (eastern part of the Tillamook State Forest); Clackamas-Marion (Santiam State Forest); Western Oregon (scattered state forestland in Benton, Polk, and Lincoln Counties); Western Lane (scattered state forestland in Lane County); and the Southwest Oregon District (scattered state forestland in Josephine, Douglas, Jackson and Curry counties).

Figures and Statistics:**Forestland Ownership within Oregon (1995):**

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Forested Acres</u>	<u>Productive, Unreserved Acres</u>
Federal	15,968,000	9,816,000
State	885,000	787,000
Other Public Lands	123,000	77,000
Tribal Lands	414,000	333,000
Forest Industry	5,870,000	5,590,000
Non-industrial Private	4,506,000	2,739,000
Totals	27,766,000	19,342,000

**Oregon's Forest Land Base (In 1000's of acres):**

<u>OWNERSHIP</u>	<u>OTHER FOREST LAND</u>	<u>TIMBER LAND</u>	<u>RESERVED TIMBER LAND</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
<u>FEDERAL</u>				
USFS	2,816	5,971	4,276	13,063
BLM	0	624	1,744	2,368
PARK SERVICE	5	0	161	166
FISH & WILDLIFE	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>
SUBTOTAL	2,822	6,598	6,190	15,610
<u>STATE</u>				
ODF & LAND BOARD	21	728	29	778
PARKS & RECREATION	3	0	57	60
D.O.T. R/Ws	0	7	0	7
FISH & WILDLIFE	0	39	0	39
BOARD OF HIGHER ED.	<u>0</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>15</u>
SUBTOTAL	24	789	86	899
<u>OTHER PUBLIC</u>				
COUNTY & MUNICIPAL				
SUBTOTAL	10	77	36	123
PRIVATE				
NATIVE AMERICAN	0	480	0	480
NON-INDUSTRIAL PRIVATE	1,766	2,671	1	4,438
INDUSTRY	<u>280</u>	<u>5,674</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,954</u>
SUBTOTAL	2,046	8,825	1	10,872
TOTALS	4,902	16,289	6,311	27,502

1. Other Forestland contains both reserved and unreserved forestlands.

2. Native American Land may contain Other Forest and Reserved Forest Land.

20 Year Harvest History:
For Oregon in Million Board Feet (Scribner Log Scale)

Year	Industry	Other Private	Native American	State	BLM	USFS	Other Public	TOTAL
1983	3,124	249	112	257	789	2,902	31	7,464
1984	2,768	310	101	249	920	3,164	38	7,550
1985	3,009	323	121	268	891	3,480	34	8,127
1986	3,066	428	104	225	1,042	3,850	28	8,743
1987	2,791	490	117	199	1,115	3,451	52	8,215
1988	2,673	586	121	270	1,439	3,487	39	8,615
1989	3,027	694	124	198	1,026	3,307	44	8,420
1990	2,628	601	98	137	704	2,014	37	6,219
1991	2,817	494	87	91	486	2,068	36	6,080
1992	2,751	830	111	135	483	1,403	29	5,742
1993	2,700	909	75	116	361	1,102	31	5,294
1994	2,471	773	80	130	92	596	25	4,167
1995	2,736	696	79	109	139	515	30	4,304
1996	2,463	555	71	114	289	401	29	3,922
1997	2,653	480	79	176	136	523	35	4,081
1998	2,470	370	71	141	122	333	25	3,532
1999	2,555	459	68	246	150	233	49	3,759
2000	2,712	455	62	255	83	245	42	3,854
2001	2,624	281	63	268	38	135	30	3,440
2002	2,985	333	71	269	55	167	42	3,922

**Volume and Value of Timberland Harvested from Board of Forestry Lands (BOFL)
and Common School Lands (CSL):**

	7/1/1991 to 6/30/1993		7/1/1993 to 6/30/1995	
	Volume	Value	Volume	Value
Northwest Oregon Region				
BOFL	97,271.43	\$29,039,931.14	123,547.49	\$44,160,900.85
CSL	8,886.53	\$3,290,422.43	2,577.18	\$1,751,560.69
TOTAL	106,157.96	\$32,330,353.57	126,124.67	\$45,912,461.54
Willamette Region				
BOFL	61,296.00	\$25,618,951.18	35,960.59	\$21,168,269.08
CSL	9,883.11	\$3,377,227.79	15,381.29	\$7,184,744.59
TOTAL	71,179.11	\$28,996,178.97	51,341.88	\$28,353,013.67
Southern Oregon Region				
BOFL	1,037.74	\$68,684.05	3,011.12	\$1,166,914.44
CSL	40,196.66	\$15,421,206.33	31,217.52	\$14,595,326.94
TOTAL	41,234.40	\$15,489,890.38	34,228.64	\$15,762,241.38
Eastern Oregon Region				
BOFL	3,966.61	\$784,847.65	5,236.12	\$1,858,854.03
CSL	1,170.59	\$382,894.82	2,413.10	\$552,937.57
TOTAL	5,137.20	\$1,167,742.47	7,649.22	\$2,411,791.60
Statewide Totals				
BOFL	163,571.78	\$55,512,414.02	167,755.32	\$68,354,938.40
CSL	60,136.89	\$22,471,751.37	51,589.09	\$24,084,569.79
TOTAL	223,708.67	\$77,984,165.39	219,344.41	\$92,439,508.19

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