

PRIVATE FOREST ACCORD



OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE

## Private Forest Accord Rule Amendments

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- Historic 2021 compromise
- Protect aquatic resources + long-term regulatory certainty for permitted practices under an ITP
- HCP → PFA Grant Program
- Provide conservation benefits to covered species
- Senate Bills 1501, 1502 and House Bill 4055 in 2022 & OARs 635-97-0000 through -0110



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# PFA OAR Revision Process

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- Public Engagement/PFA Advisory Committee Discussions
  - January 2025
  - July 2025
- Tribal Coordination
  - Tribal Natural Resources Cabinet Meeting April 30, 2025
  - Written Notification to NR directors May 2025
  - Direct Calls to follow up



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# Proposed Revisions to OARs

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- Simplified Rules & Unified Grant Pathway
- Alignment with anticipated PFA HCP
- Pre-Award Work Authorization
- Project Flexibility
- Statute Aligned Language
- Community Water Engagement BMPs





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## Questions?