

Access & Habitat Program



Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission

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Overview

- **A&H Program Information**
- **Emergency Fire Reseeding**
- **Approval of Board Recommended Projects**

Statutory Direction and Implementation through OAR

- Recommend a mix of projects
- Provide hunter access
- Direct landowner partnerships with volunteers and non-profits
- Encourage matching funds for projects
- Recognize and encourage the ongoing stewardship of wildlife by landowners
- Assist landowners experiencing damage

Initiation of A&H Projects

- ODFW Staff
- Neighbors, Family, Friends & Coworkers
- Other Agencies, NGOs
- A&H Board Members, Regional Council Members
- A&H Brochures, A&H Advertisements

A&H Program Team

Field Staff

(Regional Coordinators / Wildlife District Staff)

- Project development
- Project Management
 - Patrolling
 - Map Updates
 - Landowner Issues
 - Payment Coordination
- Coordination with OSP

A&H Program Team

HQ Staff

- Board Coordination
- Commission Approval
- Contracting
- Hunter Outreach
 - Website
 - Maps
- Raffle and Auction Tags

Emergency Fire Reseeding

- Consult with Regional Advisory Council
- Hold Special Board Meeting
 - Shorter notice required for meeting and vote
- Recommendation to Director's Office for final funding approval

Emergency Fire Reseeding

Proposed Projects must:

- Be located entirely on private land
- Provide critical habitat for wildlife
- Utilize a seed mixture approved by the local District Wildlife Biologist
- Provide assurances that all equipment needed is available and the project can be completed in the timeframe required

Emergency Fire Reseeding

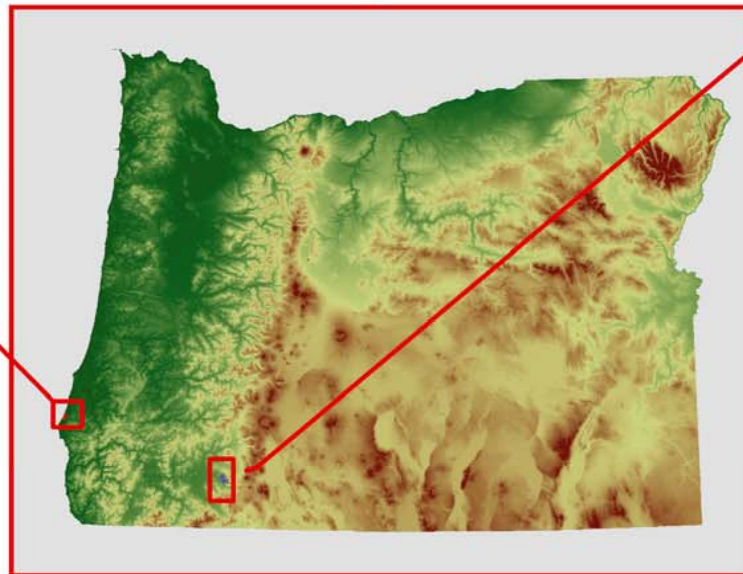
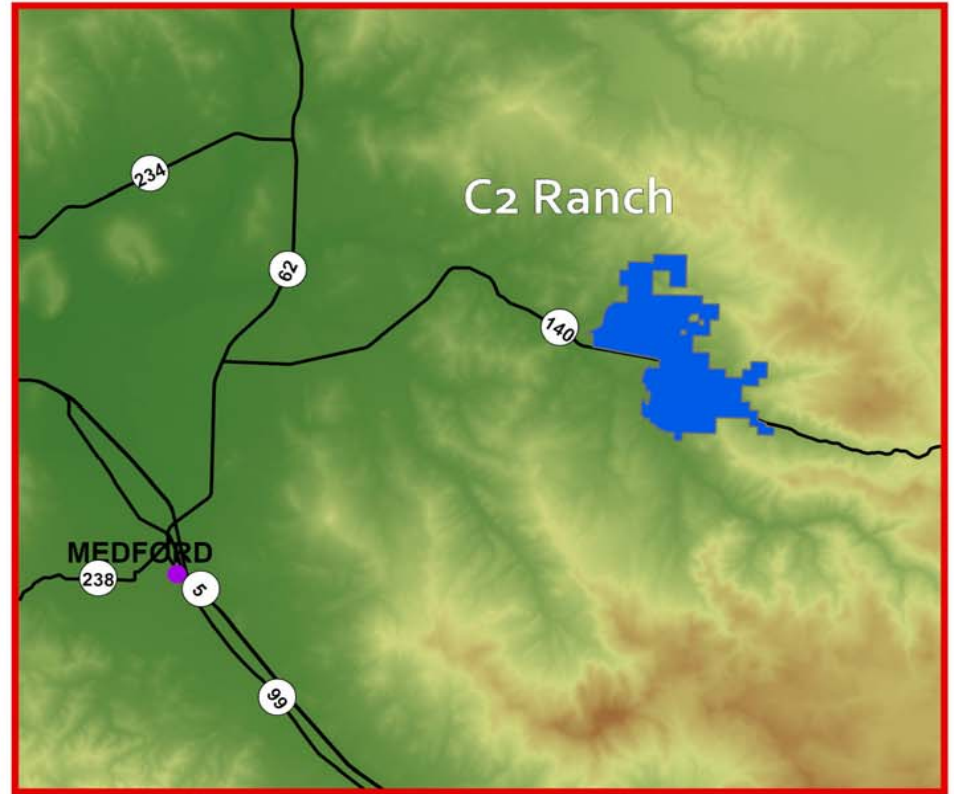
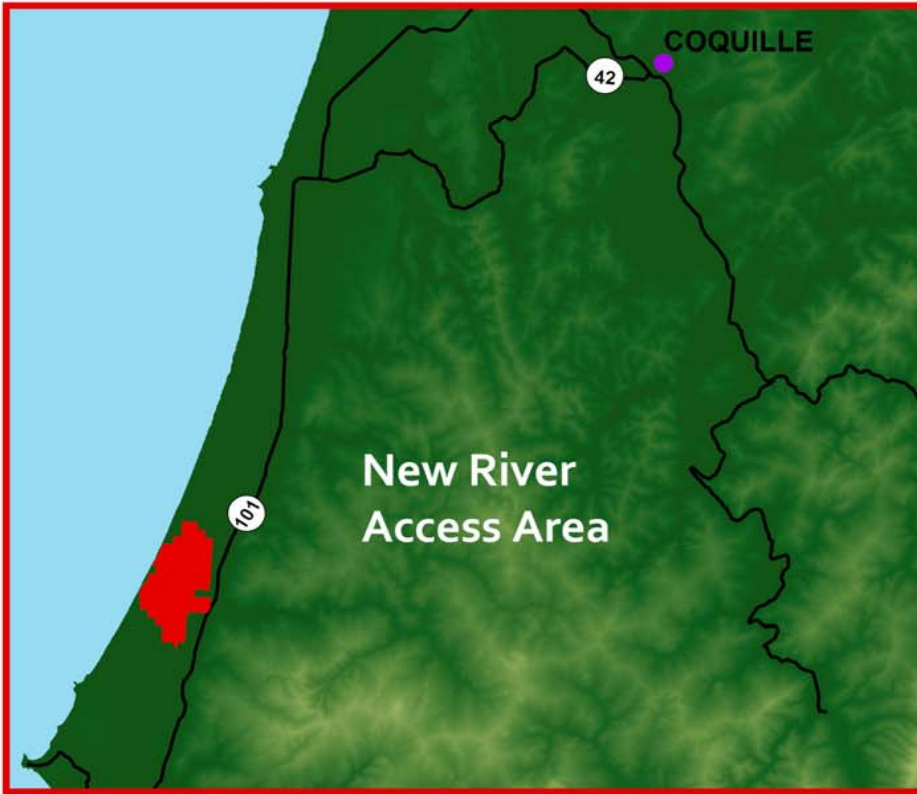
J Spear Ranch

- 7,100 Acres
- Lake County
- \$132,350 in A&H Funds
- Sage Grouse habitat and Critical Winter Range for Mule Deer

Richard Dodge

- 772 Acres
- Wasco County
- \$27,292 in A&H Funds
- Critical Winter Range for Deer and Elk
- Adjacent to White River Wildlife Area

A&H Board Project Funding Recommendations



Access Areas

-  New River
-  C2 Ranch

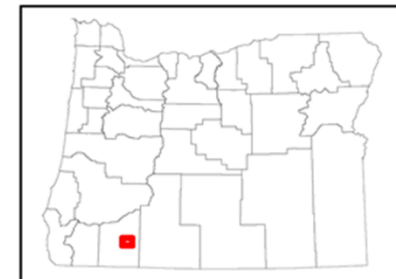
C2 Ranch Habitat Improvement

- **A&H Funds: \$18,700 (\$9,350 per year)**
- **Cost Per Acre: Access \$0.98 (Habitat \$15.90)**
- **Cooperator Funds: \$217,311 (\$108,655 per year)**
- **Total Project Cost: \$236,171**
- **Applicant: Shawn Jones, C2 Ranch Manager**
- **Location: Rogue WMU**
- **Habitat Acres: 588**
- **Access Acres: 9,500 on a “By Permission” basis**
- **Access Duration: January 2021 - January 2023**

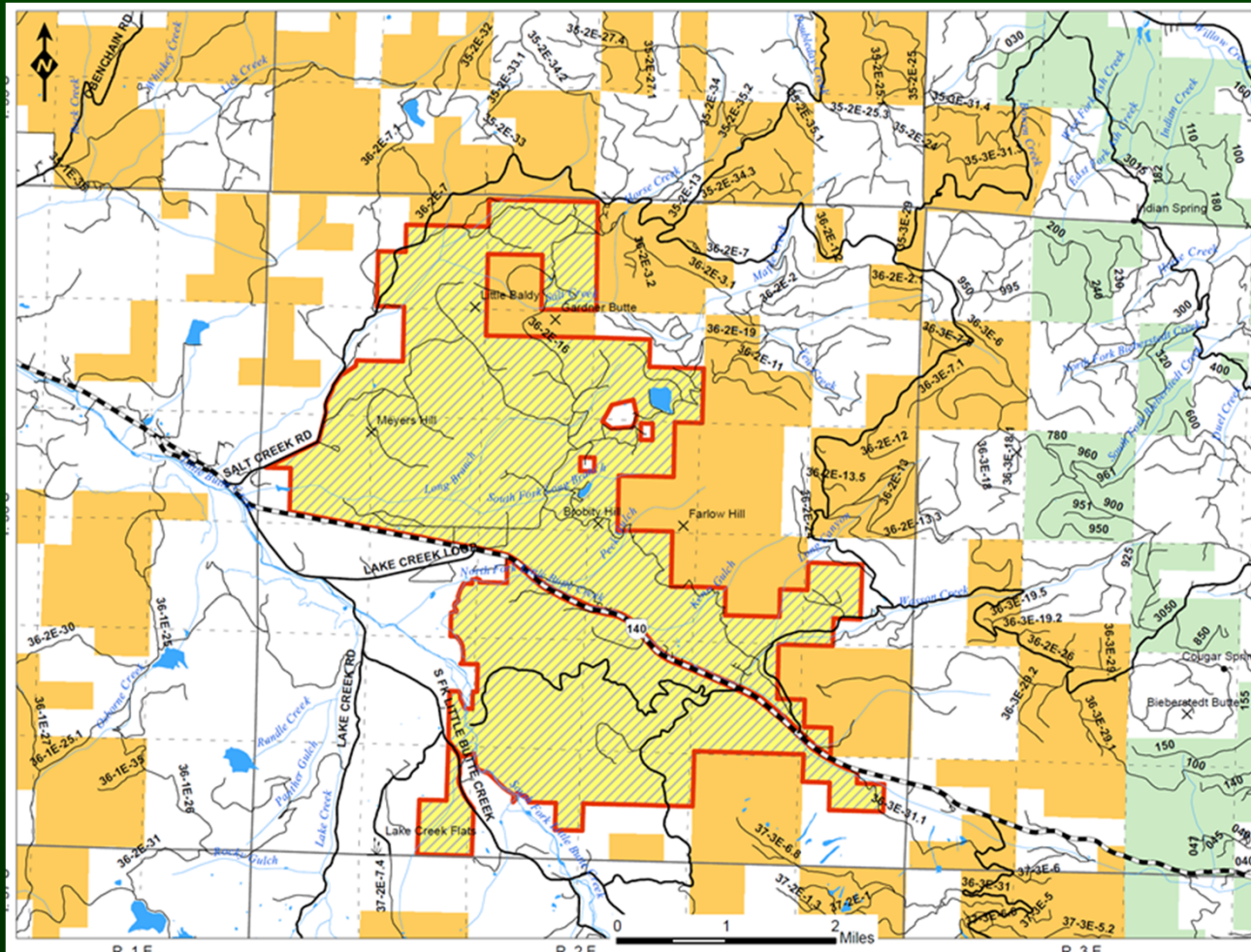
C2 Cattle Co Ltd Area



- Area Boundary
- USFS Land
- BLM Land
- Private Land

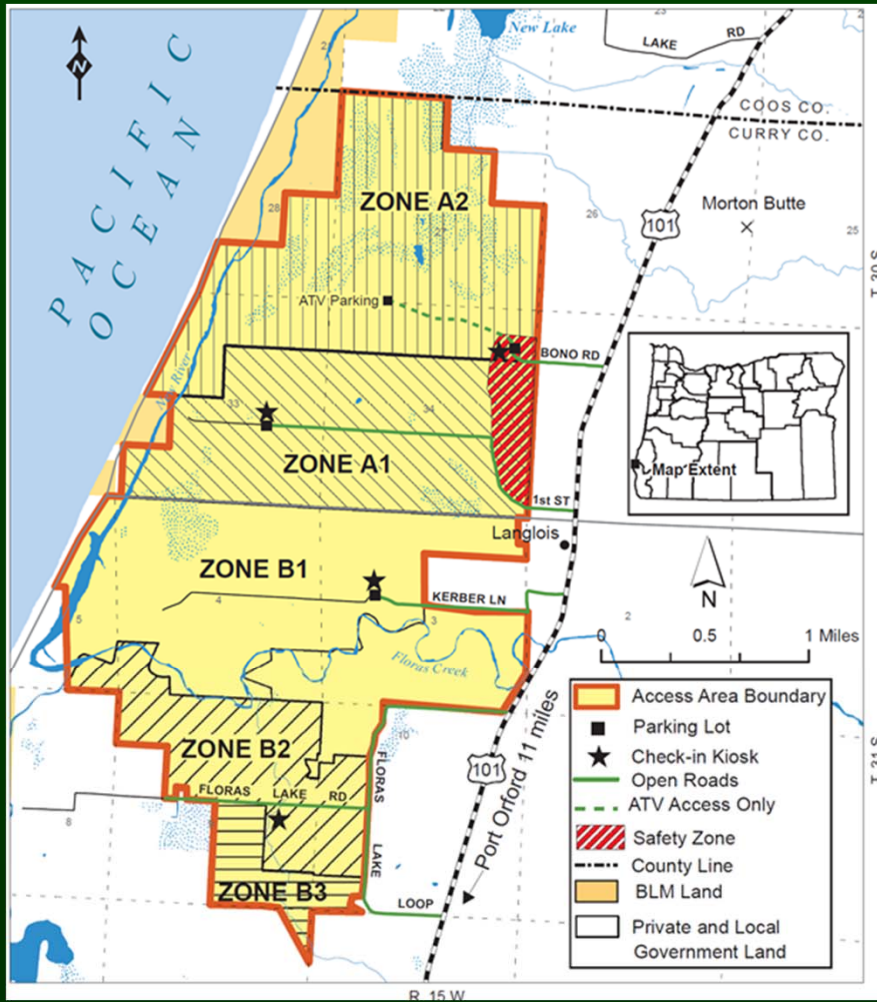


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New River Access Area

- **A&H Funds: \$37,800 (\$18,900 per year)**
- **Cost per Acre: Access \$5.34 (Habitat \$10.50)**
- **Cooperator Funds: \$126,600 (\$63,300 per year)**
- **Total Project Cost: \$164,400**
- **Applicants: Jamey Knapp, Jim Kamph, Rick McKenzie, John Swenson, Gabe Azevedo**
- **Location: Sixes WMU**
- **Habitat Acres: 1,800**
- **Access Acres: 3,540 on a “By Permission” basis**
- **Project Duration: October 2021-June 2023**



Hunting on private lands is a privilege, not a right. Private land hunting opportunities will remain in the future only if the property and rights of private landowners are respected! Abuse it and you will lose it!

Area Regulations:

- Hunting access by permission only
- Motorized vehicle travel only on open roads
- No camping or night-time use of private land
- No fires, be careful with cigarettes
- No littering, pick up any trash
- Report unlawful activities
- Respect landowners rights and needs
- Leave all gates as you found them

Contact Information

- Zone A1:** Jamey Knapp (541) 290-7818
- Zone A2:** Jim Kamph (541) 290-0270
- Zone B1:** Rick McKenzie (541) 404-8040
- Zone B2:** John Swenson (541) 217-1711
- Zone B3:** Gabe Azevedo (209) 604-3315

Violation Report If you witness a violation, record information on this form and present it to an official.	TIP Phone: 1-800-452-7888 Email: TIP@osp.oregon.gov
Time _____ Date _____	
Vehicle make, model & color _____	
Vehicle license & state _____	
Location / road number _____	
City/County _____	
Number of persons involved _____	
Describe violation _____	
Witness Contact Information _____	Mail to: Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division 3565 Treloard Ave SE Salem, OR 97317

New River Access Area



The New River Access Area is a cooperative program between several private landowners and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Access and Habitat Program to maintain public hunting access on private lands and increase access to public land. The New River Access Area south of Bandon, OR provides public hunting opportunities for waterfowl. All Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Regulations and Seasons apply.

Access Periods:

Oct 3, 2020 - Jan 31, 2021 and
Feb 20, 2021 - Mar 10, 2021

Consult Game Bird Regulations for duck and goose open season dates

Access Permission:

Hunters must obtain permission prior to hunting on the property. Permission can be obtained by contacting the landowner by phone at the following numbers. Reservations will be booked on a first come, first served basis. Land-owners reserve the right to refuse permission and close areas due to normal ranch operations.

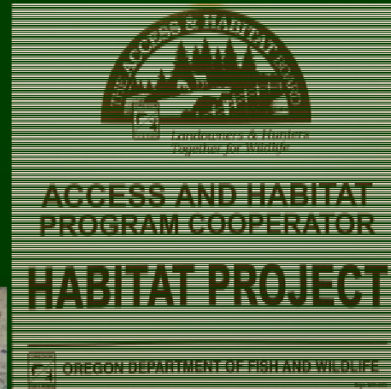


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Staff Recommendation:

Approve the two projects recommended for funding by the Access & Habitat Board



Questions?