

2024

Annual Report

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**OREGON
WILD**

Let Nature Live. Let Nature Last.



For Oregon Wild, fiscal year 2023-2024 represented a period of celebration, reflection, and evolution. We celebrated our 50th anniversary – a half century of courageous and fierce advocacy to protect Oregon’s wildlife and wild places. Since 1974, Oregon Wild and its community of supporters have successfully protected nearly two million acres of Wilderness, over 2,000 miles of Wild & Scenic Rivers, endangered wildlife such as gray wolves and marbled

murrelets, vast stretches of old-growth forests, and essential ecosystems across the state. While we reflected on our legacy, we also looked to the future. A future in which Oregon Wild’s mission is increasingly urgent. We unveiled a new logo and brand identity. We completed an inspiring strategic plan to guide our work for the next four years. And our long-time Executive Director, Sean Stevens, announced his departure and ushered in a search for a new leader. Through all of this, Oregon Wild’s remarkable team remained steadfast in their commitment to protecting nature – for its own sake and for future generations of Oregonians.

I joined Oregon Wild as the new Executive Director in January 2025. But I started my conservation career here in 2013, coordinating the organization’s wildlife program. Although my career took me elsewhere in the intervening years, Oregon Wild has always been my conservation and advocacy north star. I return to Oregon Wild during a tumultuous time in which the things we work to protect are under aggressive attack by the second Trump Administration. And yet I can think of no place I’d rather be to meet this moment.

Oregon Wild has built a reputation for its tenacious, fighting spirit. But let’s be clear – this is a reflection of your tenacity and fighting spirit. Our strength comes from each of you and your commitment to the wild. And we are going to need that strength and commitment to face the challenges ahead. Our wildlife, waters, and wildlands are in the crosshairs of an unscrupulous administration. Bedrock environmental laws are being systematically dismantled. Natural resources agencies are being gutted. And groups like Oregon Wild are being threatened with revocation of tax-exempt status for daring to hold the government accountable.

This is all frightening and bewildering. No doubt. But these threats? This is why Oregon Wild exists. We are here to fight for Oregon’s natural legacy. We are here to fight for and with you. We are ready. But make no mistake – our ability to influence change and progress comes from our community. There is no Oregon Wild without each and every one of you. Only together will we be able to protect the wild things we all hold so dear. The wild needs you.

Our first 50 years prepared us for the challenges that lie ahead. Together, with our incredible staff, our talented board of directors, and our committed community of supporters and advocates, we will continue our legacy of protecting the wild for the next fifty years, and beyond. We are so grateful to be on this momentous and joyful (yes, even joyful) journey with you.

Quinn Read
Executive Director

Lisa Billings
Board President

Accomplishments

2024

With 2024 marking Oregon Wild's milestone 50th anniversary, we celebrated five decades of conservation success, while continuing to move forward on several priority campaigns aimed at protecting and defending Oregon's wildlands, wildlife, and waters.

Protecting Oregon's Rivers

We secured the reintroduction in the U.S. Senate of the River Democracy Act which aims to protect 3,200+ miles of our waterways and would be the largest expansion of river protections in Oregon history. This historic proposal would better safeguard drinking water for nearly 1 in 3 Oregonians statewide!

Grassroots Support for Mature & Old-Growth Forests

By continuing to lead a national Climate Forests Campaign, we helped generate over one million public comments calling on federal agencies to protect mature and old-growth forests for their immense climate benefits.

Challenging Trump in Court to Defend Our Forests

Oregon Wild and partners successfully challenged the Trump administration's rollbacks of the Eastside Screens in court, winning back protections for the largest and oldest trees across 7+ million acres in six national forests in eastern Oregon and Washington.

Standing Up for Salmon

Oregon Wild and partners challenged a 4,600-acre logging project in the Calapooia and Mohawk River watersheds northeast of Eugene that would have negatively impacted old-growth forests, spotted owl habitat, and Upper Willamette spring Chinook salmon. As a result, the BLM withdrew the proposal.

Watchdogging Threats to Public Lands

Oregon Wild monitored 100+ timber sales and projects impacting mature and old-growth forests across Oregon. We initiated and advanced litigation challenging a dozen timber sales in federal court. This resulted in reaching a key settlement to protect old-growth forests on the Mount Hood National Forest in early 2025!

Now in 2025, our wildlands, wildlife, and waters are more threatened than ever before. But for 50 years, we've held the line against seemingly insurmountable challenges time and again. So we're digging in to hold the line for the places and wildlife that inspire us all.

Thank you for continuing to stand with us and making our work possible!

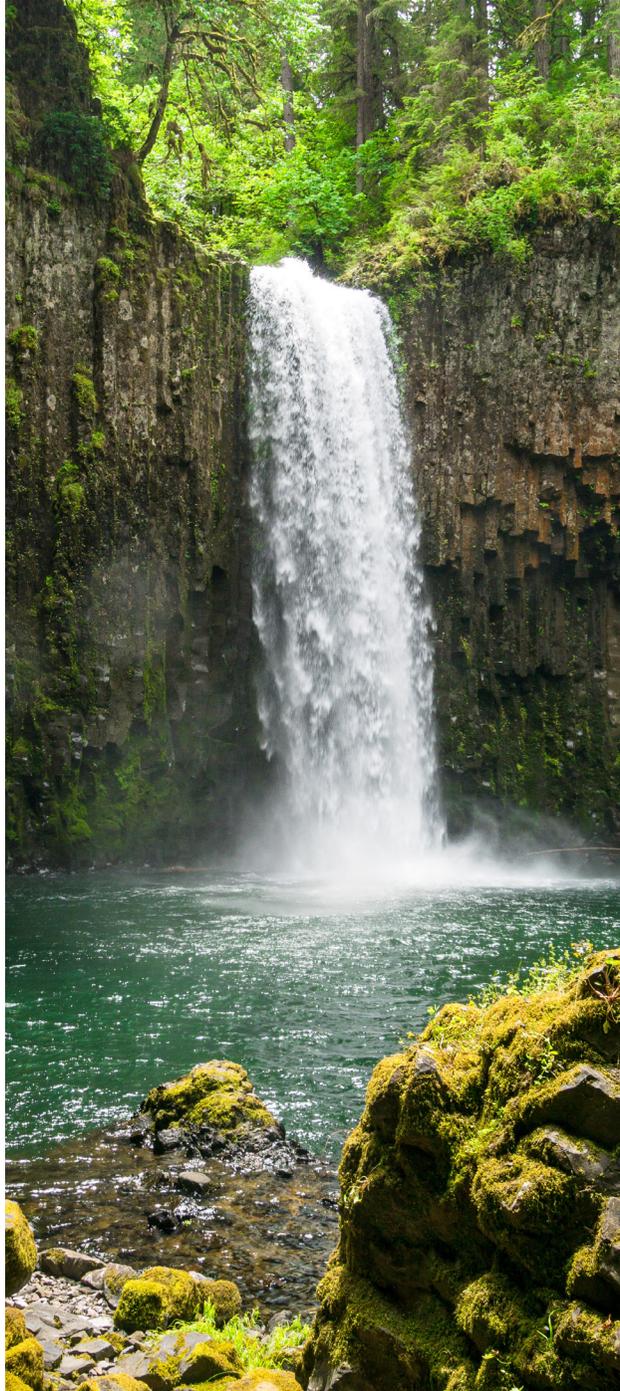


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Financial Position

Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$820,832
Long Term Investments	2,163,846
Accounts Receivable	40,000
Inventory	5,546
Prepaid Expenses & Other Assets	39,692
Property and Equipment	200,056
<i>Total assets</i>	\$3,269,972

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$25,772
Accrued Payroll and Related Expenses	205,291
Other Liabilities	8,573
<i>Total liabilities</i>	\$239,636

Net assets

Without Donor Restrictions	
Special Projects and Reserve Fund	\$498,797
Board-Designated Endowment	1,634,842
Available for Operations	854,082
<i>Total Assets without Restrictions</i>	2,987,721
With Donor Restrictions	
Restricted Grants	40,000
Permanently Restricted	2,435
<i>Total net assets</i>	\$ 3,030,156

Total liabilities & net assets **\$3,269,792**

Financial Activities

Revenue

Contributions & Memberships	\$980,942
Grants & Contracts	741,629
Bequests	70,159
Special Events	78,324
Coalition Revenue	37,571
Investment Income	451,742
Miscellaneous	3,736
<i>Total revenue</i>	\$2,364,103

Expenses

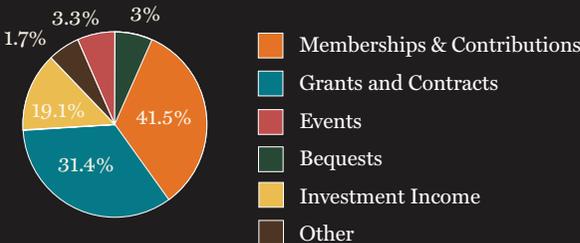
Conservation Programs	\$1,873,375
<i>Protecting Special Places</i>	613,277
<i>Defending and Restoring Oregon's Forests and Waters</i>	1,055,084
<i>Helping Native Species Thrive</i>	205,014
Administration	213,757
Fundraising	118,718
<i>Total expenses</i>	\$2,205,850



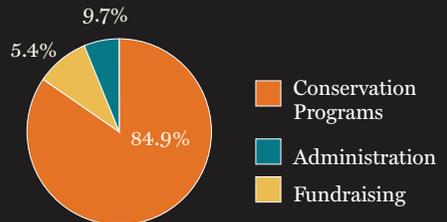
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FY2024 Revenue and Expenses

Revenue



Expenses





Oregon Wild Staff

Sitting or kneeling (from left): Victoria Wingell (Forests and Climate Campaigner), Rachel Mireles (Membership Coordinator), Arran Robertson (Communications Director), Casey Kulla (State Forest Policy Coordinator), Sean Stevens (Former Executive Director), Doug Heiken (Sr. Conservation and Restoration Coordinator)

Standing (front row, from left): Lauren Anderson (Climate Forest Program Manager), Chandra LeGue (Senior Conservation Advocate), Steve Pedery (Conservation Director), Danielle Moser (Wildlife Policy Manager), Anne Conrad-Antoville (Finance and Administration Manager), Hannah Kersse (Summer Intern), Erik Fernandez (Wilderness Program Manager), Rob Klavins (Northeast Oregon Field Coordinator)

Standing (back row, from left): Sami Godlove (Central Oregon Field Associate), John Persell (Staff Attorney)

Not pictured: Jonathan Jelen (Development Director), Phenix Johnson (Digital Communications Associate), Anastasia Kuznetsova (Brand & Marketing Manager), Macy Patel (Development & Outreach Associate), Quinn Read (Executive Director)

Board: Lisa Billings (Board President), Darcie Meihoff (Board Secretary), Seth Prickett (Board Treasurer), Vik Anantha, Chris Beatty, Ryan Jaspersen, Stacey Rice, Kate Ritley (Board Members)

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ACTIVIST TOOLKIT

Right now, it can feel like all our energy is spent just keeping our heads above water. Our public lands, wildlife, and the fundamental laws that protect them are under relentless attack. But we are far from helpless. You have the power to fight back by taking direct action, calling your representatives, and demanding they stand up for Oregon's wild places.

The next four years won't be a day hike, they'll be a thru-hike. Track your progress, bring along your friends and don't forget to refuel and reset when you need it. **The wild will be worth it.**

KEY MESSAGES FOR THE OREGON DELEGATION

OPPOSE LEGISLATION OR POLICIES THAT USE WILDFIRE AS A PRETEXT TO INCREASE LOGGING IN REMOTE MATURE AND OLD-GROWTH FORESTS.

SUPPORT FEDERAL PUBLIC LANDS EMPLOYEES AND THEIR AGENCIES.

SUPPORT LEGISLATION THAT PRIORITIZES WILDFIRE RESILIENCE THROUGH HOME HARDENING, DEFENSIBLE SPACE, AND PRESCRIBED BURNING.

OPPOSE TRUMP-ERA ROLLBACKS TO THE NORTHWEST FOREST PLAN AND INCREASED LOGGING OF MATURE AND OLD-GROWTH FORESTS.

OPPOSE ANY ATTEMPTS TO PRIVATIZE PUBLIC LANDS, WHETHER THROUGH CONGRESSIONAL ACTION OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS

OPPOSE TRANSFERRING FEDERAL LANDS OR MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY TO STATES OR COUNTIES.

OPPOSE EFFORTS TO WEAKEN THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT (ESA) AND THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA).

THE WILD NEEDS YOU.

SENATOR RON WYDEN

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What to Say

Thank you for your work on the **River Democracy Act** — please reintroduce and advance it.

Thank you for reintroducing the **Oregon Recreation Enhancement (ORE) Act**.

Please oppose the misuse of **Categorical Exclusions** and other tools that bypass environmental protections.

Please speak out in strong support of the **Endangered Species Act** and action on the extinction crisis.

REP. MAXINE DEXTER

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What to Say

Support the **River Democracy Act** to protect rivers like the Sandy and North Fork Clackamas.

Thank you for championing the **Endangered Species Act**.

Please consider new protections for **Mount Hood**.

SENATOR JEFF MERKLEY

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What to Say

Thank you for reintroducing the **Oregon Recreation Enhancement (ORE) Act**.

Thank you for defending public lands and **Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument**.

Please oppose efforts to roll back protections for large trees and ecosystems in Eastern Oregon.

Thank you for introducing the **National Biodiversity Strategy Resolution** — please reintroduce it this Congress.

REP. ANDREA SALINAS

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What to Say

Thank you for your thoughtful approach to **climate-smart forestry**.

Oppose environmental rollbacks in the **Farm Bill**.

Support the **River Democracy Act** to protect places like the North Fork Siletz and Baker Creek

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What to Say

Oppose legislation that weakens forest protections or encourages reckless logging.

Support the **River Democracy Act** to protect waterways like Tumalo Creek and the Breitenbush River.

Stand strong for the **Endangered Species Act**.

REP. SUZANNE BONAMICI

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What to Say

Thank you for defending science agencies like **NOAA**.

Thank you for your leadership on **climate action** and endangered species protections.

Please support efforts to **reintroduce sea otters** to the Oregon Coast.

REP. VAL HOYLE

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What to Say

Oppose weakening the **Northwest Forest Plan** for increased logging.

Support permanent protections for **mature and old-growth forests**.

Support the **River Democracy Act** to protect rivers like the McKenzie and South Fork Alsea.

Defend the **Endangered Species Act** against any attempts to undermine it.

REP. CLIFF BENTZ

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What to Say

Thank you for holding town halls — it's important work. Please stand up to Trump's environmental rollbacks and represent **all Oregonians**, including marginalized communities.

Oppose efforts that weaken the **Clean Water Act**, **Endangered Species Act**, or cut staffing/funding for public lands agencies.