



## OREGON LIVING WITH FIRE – 2021-2022 Program of Work

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Guided by the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy’s framework and vision: To safely and effectively extinguish fire when needed; use fire where allowable; manage our natural resources; and as a nation learn to live with wildland fire.

There are three primary goals that are necessary to achieving the vision.

1. Restore and maintain resilient landscapes
2. Create fire adapted communities
3. Safe and effective wildfire response

<u>Objective</u>	<u>CS Goal</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Outcomes/Notes</u>
<b>Partnerships</b>	Resilient Landscape & Fire Adapted Comm	Maintain and enhance partnerships with local Collaborative groups by attending regular meetings and participating as appropriate in local related field activities i.e., Ochoco Collaborative, Klamath Lake Forest Health Project, Deschutes Collaborative Forest Project; add capacity to these existing groups e.g., communication strategy and grant writing.		<p>Jodie has been attending DCFP, KLFHP and OFRC meetings. Jodie participates in and adds capacity through the DCFP Outreach Sub-Committee, also assisting with Facebook and other needs for the DCFP &amp; OFRC.</p> <p>The Central Oregon Forest Stewardship Foundation (COFSF), covering the Deschutes and Ochoco, is another partnership that Jodie is engaging with that needs to be added to the POW for 2022-23.</p> <p>Jen has assisted ODF with composing applications to secure the western states fire managers grant funding for fuels mitigation work in Prineville. See grant listings below.</p>
	All Goals	Build relationships with non-traditional partners within the landscape, i.e., builders, realtors, utility companies, etc.	Dec 2022	<p>With a focus on utility companies first, Pacific Power, Mid State Electric and Central Electric Co-ops were invited to the Feb. 3 Session. Jodie collaborated with CEC on a spring newsletter about</p>

				OLWF and fire preparedness.
	Fire Adapted Comm & Response	Create & Maintain relationships with Rangeland Protection Associations	Dec 2022	Jodie has reached out to Ashwood-Antelope RFPA. Others to connect with in Crook County include Post-Paulina RFPA & Brothers-Hampton RFPA, and Lower Bridge RFPA in Deschutes/Jefferson. There has not been much activity on this during the spring of 2022. Don Tschida is now in charge of the program and meetings are being scheduled with local fire districts.
	Resilient Landscape & Fire Adapted Comm	Maintain relationships with the Pacific Northwest sub-network, and the National Fire Adapted Communities (FACNet) & Fire Learning Networks (FLN).	Ongoing	Jodie regularly networks with FACNet members on the Podio platform. She also researches and shares information from the FLN newsletter. There are strong ties to other areas like Ashland. This platform is also where we share success stories and lessons learned from Central Oregon. Now that the pandemic restrictions have eased, we expect stronger engagement heading into 2022-23.
	All Goals	Develop new relationships with other stakeholders across/for the benefit of the OLWF landscape	Ongoing	<b>October:</b> Jodie established new relationships with the Office of Oregon State Fire Marshal and OSU Extension. Joe further developed one with the Confederated Tribes at Warm Springs on a new technology. Scheduled to discuss BRIC grant application.

			<p>We are engaging more with the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council (COIC) in all counties with a focus on Crook and Jefferson.</p> <p><b>Nov.-April:</b> Jefferson County CWPP involvement.</p> <p>Joe met with the High Desert Museum and Heart of Oregon to link funding with work necessary for structure protection at the Museum. The Museum expressed interest in a BRIC grant application and is being added to one that OLWF will be submitting.</p> <p><b>April:</b> Jodie was appointed Secretary for the Central Oregon Fire Prevention Co-op (COFPC). This will strengthen OLWF's knowledge of interagency efforts to address fire adapted communities and resilient landscapes.</p> <p><b>May:</b> Jodie was appointed to a 3-year term on the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) Wildland Fire Policy Committee (WFPC). Representing the Central Oregon perspective as well as gaining policy insights from other areas benefits the local landscape.</p>
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	All Goals	Maintain relationships with Central Oregon Fire Chief's Association, Project Wildfire, Smoke and Public Health, & other groups.	Ongoing	Jodie has been attending and contributing to Project Wildfire and COFCA meetings. To strengthen an effective wildfire response locally, Jodie is assisting COFCA with document management. Jen also attends the COFCA meetings to build relationships with possible grant applicants.
	All Goals	Engage with US Forest Service Region 6, local forests & Oregon Department of Forestry to promote Shared Stewardship in Central Oregon.	Dec 2022	Jodie has re-engaged these partners and is in regular communication now. Jodie attended the Oregon Board of Forestry's virtual meeting and in-person field tour in April 2022. Productive conversations and networking occurred strengthening relationships among these partners. <i>This item should be moved up under the Collaboratives for 2022-23.</i>
	All Goals	Maintain partnership with the National Cohesive Strategy efforts with the Western Region		Jodie is on the email distribution list and shares information with partners. She participates in the Western Region meetings virtually to network, and gain insight into best practices and the latest science. Jodie, Joe and Jen helped with the Spring workshop (see below).
	All Goals	Research & explore funding and/or co-sponsorship opportunities for known and unknown activities (i.e., engaging Federal Contacts for supplemental funding for Forest Activities; additional funding from National Fire Adapted Communities Learning Network for FAC in 4-County	June 2022	Jen wrote summary papers for BRIC, SB 762, and RBDG. <b>February:</b> She assisted with two ODF Community

		area; Rural & Economic development opportunities)		<p>Assistance Grant Applications and one Rural Business Development Grant for Walker Range. She continues to offer assistance to partners to build grant proposals.</p> <p>Jen has uncovered BRIC application training materials and posted them for distribution with our partners.</p> <p><b>May:</b> Western States Fire Managers Grant for ODF has moved on to round two and received recommendation for funding.</p> <p>BRIC Grant sub-applicants will include the High Desert Museum, CORE3 training facility, &amp; Crook County BioMass.</p>
	Resilient Landscape & Fire Adapted Comm	Facilitate the creation of all hands, all lands groups committed to working across boundaries & look for tie in with shared stewardship	Dec 2022	Jodie believes that the COFSF is doing this work and will re-evaluate how to incorporate this item going forward.
	Resilient Landscape	Build partnerships to boost biomass utilization throughout the region, i.e., local solid waste companies; biomass in Crook County	Dec 2022	<p><b>Deschutes:</b> Jodie and Jen are engaging with partners and WiseWood Energy through the DCFP on the <a href="#">West Village District Energy project</a> at Mt. Bachelor.</p> <p><b>Crook:</b> OFRC hosted an update presentation on this in May 2022. If the two can be coupled for funding requests, we will pursue that. Meetings</p>

				<p>have been scheduled for August 2022.</p> <p><b>Jefferson:</b> In February began discussing alternatives to burning with COIC and Steering Committee members. Not much activity on this as of spring 2022.</p>
	All Goals	<p>Utilize Oregon Living With Fire (OLWF) as a venue to discuss and coordinate approaches to secure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• legislatively approved funding from the Federal Infrastructure Bill, SB762, and Oregon Transportation Bill,</li> <li>• agency funding like NRCS, BLM FS, ODF and others,</li> <li>• and grant funding like BRIC and others</li> </ul> <p>to maximize local benefits related to the Wildfire Risk Reduction Strategy.</p>	Dec 2022	<p><i>Added in October 2021 Cross-Boundary Collaboration Session scheduled for Feb. 3, 2022.</i></p> <p>The event was held virtually. A 7-page summary with many links can be found <a href="#">here</a>. We will look into future dates for continued conversation. A follow up event may happen in the Fall 2022.</p>
Communications	All Goals	<p>Explore the development and printing of educational materials i.e., Success stories for events; Have customized outreach materials for different user groups within the 4-county landscape.</p>	Dec 2022	<p>Jodie is still looking into this. Most materials have moved online until in-person meetings are safer during COVID-19. Some of this work will be done with the DCFP Outreach Subcommittee.</p> <p><b>June 2022:</b> Will check with Kate Miller about reproducing print items that were included with website build.</p>
	Potential All Goals	<p>Plan &amp; facilitate at least one learning lab in the landscape</p>	Dec 2022	<p>Jodie is unsure if this will be feasible in the spring of 2022, but may be able to facilitate it in the fall. It may also dovetail with future Cross-Boundary Sessions.</p>

				Managed Fire/Transfer of Risk is a relevant topic to pursue.
All Goals	Continue to build relationships with local media partners & capitalize on teachable moments through media partnerships & social media platforms			<p><b>September:</b> Jodie re-established relationships with local media while on assignment as the on-duty PIO for the Central Oregon Interagency Dispatch Center. The OLWF newsletter and blog posts have led to expanded outreach by way of regular inclusion in 'Wildfire News of the Day'.</p> <p><b>December:</b> Joe was interviewed by KTVZ regarding new water technology. Facebook reach continues to grow.</p> <p><b>May:</b> Jodie presented on a City Club panel about Resiliency to Living with Wildfire. Video link <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
Resilient Landscape & Fire Adapted Comm	Plan and implement at least one live prescribed fire tour for public and elected officials		Dec 2022	<p><b>April-May:</b> Jodie was coordinating with Deschutes NF for a tour near Sisters. Postponed due to implementation of 90-day moratorium nationwide as policies are reviewed. Will look to Fall 2022.</p>
All Goals	Create regular Newsletter (quarterly) & Blog posts (monthly) to share news with stakeholders		Ongoing	<p><a href="https://www.oregonlivingwithfire.org/olwf-blog/">https://www.oregonlivingwithfire.org/olwf-blog/</a></p> <p><b>July:</b> Mitigation Best Practices Training Blog; EPA &amp; FS Tools for Smoke Blog</p> <p><b>August:</b> Deschutes County Grant Program Blog</p> <p><b>October:</b> Quarterly Newsletter MailChimp eblast.</p> <p><b>November:</b> Forestry Program and SB762</p>

				<p>Blog &amp; MailChimp eblast.</p> <p><b>December:</b> ODF Grant Updates &amp; SB762 Blog &amp; MailChimp eblast; Annual Report Blog &amp; MailChimp eblast.</p> <p><b>February:</b> OSFM SB762 Blog &amp; MailChimp eblast.</p> <p><b>March:</b> Community Chipping Grant Program Blog.</p> <p><b>May:</b> City Club Wildfire Forum Blog &amp; MailChimp eblast.</p> <p><b>June:</b> <b>MailChimp Subscribers</b> 558</p>
	All Goals	Develop and distribute a report of stakeholder implementation stories bi-annually	Dec 2022	<p>Jodie/Jen/Joe Presented to all four Counties' Boards of Commissioners in Dec. 2021 and Jan. 2022. The next presentations will be in June/July 2022.</p>
	All Goals	Distribute an annual report for OLWF activities – social media data, how deliverables were met, financials, etc.	Jan 2022	<p>Jodie/Jen/Joe The <a href="#">2021 Report</a> was distributed. The next one will be in January 2023.</p>
	All Goals	Create a story board to illustrate work within the OLWF landscape for sharing on social media, website, etc.		<p><b>January:</b> Jen will be involved with Wordpress &amp; Elementor courses to ensure cohesion between website updates, social media, current events, etc. Maybe she can create a separate “tab” or webpage on our existing site to list fun/informational things that link to social media or related communication. Jen felt that the Blog webpage has been sufficient to meet this activity thus far.</p>
	Resilient Landscape	Smoke and prescribed fire messaging		Jen and Jodie shared smoke messaging on



	& Fire Adapted Comms		Facebook during the 2021 summer months. Prescribed fire messaging is ongoing. We worked with local, state and federal partners on Spring 2022 messaging.
	Resilient Landscape & Fire Adapted Comms	Create feedback loops for the public to provide feedback on Central Oregon Fire Info	Joe, Jodie, Jen, OLWF, etc. Since this website is maintained by Deschutes County and other partners, more discussion is needed. This item may no longer be appropriate for the OLWF program of work.
	All Goals	Maintain an active online presence.	<b>OLWF Facebook Page</b> <b>July</b> Posts: 10 New Likes: 35 Reach: 697 <b>August</b> Posts: 7 New Likes: 4 Reach: 269 <b>September</b> Posts: 2 New Likes: 1 Reach: 243 <b>October</b> Posts: 7 New Likes: 0 Reach: 676 <b>November</b> Posts: 7 New Likes: 2 Reach: 147 <b>December</b> Posts: 8 New Likes: 3 Reach: 1,378 <b>January</b> Posts: 9 New Likes: 2 Reach: 354 <b>February</b> Posts: 10 New Likes: 1

				<p>Reach: 329</p> <p><b>March</b>  Posts: 5  New Likes: 0  Reach: 244</p> <p><b>April</b>  Posts: 4  New Likes: 2  Reach: 381</p> <p><b>May</b>  Posts: 6  New Likes: 2  Reach: 269</p> <p><b>June</b>  Posts: 6  New Likes: 0  Reach: 88</p> <p><b>TOTAL</b>  Posts: 88  New Likes: 52  Reach: 5,075</p> <p><b>Website Views</b>  <b>June:</b> 118  <b>July:</b> 164  <b>August:</b> 86  <b>September:</b> 64  <b>October:</b> 161  <b>November:</b> 237  <b>December:</b> 542  <b>January:</b> 143  <b>February:</b> 149  <b>March:</b> 133  <b>April:</b> 126  <b>May:</b> 218  <b>June:</b> 118  <b>TOTAL:</b> 2,259</p>
	Fire Adapted Comms	Continued partnership with COCC to host Wildfire Home Protection Strategies Course. Look for opportunities to present that class in more venues	Dec 2022	Jodie will talk with Boone and Ed at Deschutes County and Paula at COCC. They are developing an online version that may be available in 1-hour increments instead of 4-hour. OLWF's role may be better suited to help promote that training, particularly in Jefferson, Crook and Klamath

				Counties. <i>Remove for 2022-23.</i>
<b>Conferences &amp; Presentations</b>	All Goals	Attend the <a href="#">4<sup>th</sup> National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy Workshop</a> in Asheville, NC	Oct 2021	This conference was put on virtually. Joe presented and facilitated during this conference. Jen presented during this conference. Jodie helped moderate a chat during the conference. All three attended multiple sessions October 4-8, 2021.
	Response & Fire Adapted Comm	Attend the <a href="#">Wildland Urban Interface Conference</a> in Reno, NV	Nov 2021 & March 2022	Jodie/Jen/Joe This conference was a virtual experience November 15-16, 2021. Valuable insights were gleaned from the sessions. Following the conference, Jodie was interviewed and recommended to the IAFC Board of Directors to serve a 3-year term on the <a href="#">IAFC Wildland Fire Policy Committee (WFPC)</a> . Jodie and Jen attended in March 2022. They strengthened partnerships from within Oregon and beyond. The face-to-face meetings were useful in building rapport.
	Fire Adapted Comm	Attend future Fire Adapted Communities Learning Network Workshops.	Apr 2022	This did not happen this spring. Will attend 2023.
	All Goals	Attend the Western Region Cohesive Strategy Face to Face	June 2022	Jodie/Jen/Joe June 21-23, 2022 in the Central Sierras near Placerville, California. Joe facilitated this workshop while Jodie and Jen assisted where needed. Key takeaways were shared ie. water

				delivery system, collaboration, smoke messaging, active forest management, private & public lands timber management, etc.
	Response	Plan & facilitate the Pre-Season meeting with COFMS, COFCA, Agency Administrators and elected officials	June 2022	The 2022 C.O. Fire Year Briefing was held June 2nd at the Deschutes Co. Fairgrounds and virtually. Link to the summary and video recording <a href="#">here</a> .
Steering Committee	All goals	Maintain a balance of representation and leadership contribution on the OLWF Steering Committee.	Dec 2022	Added representation from the Office of the Oregon State Fire Marshal and Oregon State University Extension in Nov. 2021. Added representation from the Confederated Tribes at Warm Springs in Dec. 2021. Added Klamath County's Emergency Manager to fill the vacancy left by Commissioner Boyd's retirement. Currently there are 12 active members. Joe updated the governing Resolution.
	All goals	Provide orientation materials to new members including the governing resolution and the previous meetings' minutes.		Jodie and Joe provided for the new members.
	All goals	Establish a regular quarterly meeting schedule & face to face meeting time with OLWF steering committee.	Oct 2021	The Steering Committee met in <a href="#">Oct. 2021</a> . This item was on the Jan. 2022 agenda. <a href="#">1/20/22 Meeting Minutes</a> In February via a Doodle poll, the Steering Committee decided it will meet from 10:30am-11:30am on March 17 <a href="#">Meeting Minutes</a>

				<p>May 19 <a href="#">Meeting Minutes</a>  Oct. 20, and Dec. 15, 2022.</p>
	All goals	Grow and maintain a distribution list for the network.	Ongoing	<p>Jodie has been working on integrating the MailChimp distribution list with the OLWF email system.</p> <p><b>MailChimp subscribers</b>  June 2022: 558</p>