

Forest Health Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot & Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Programs



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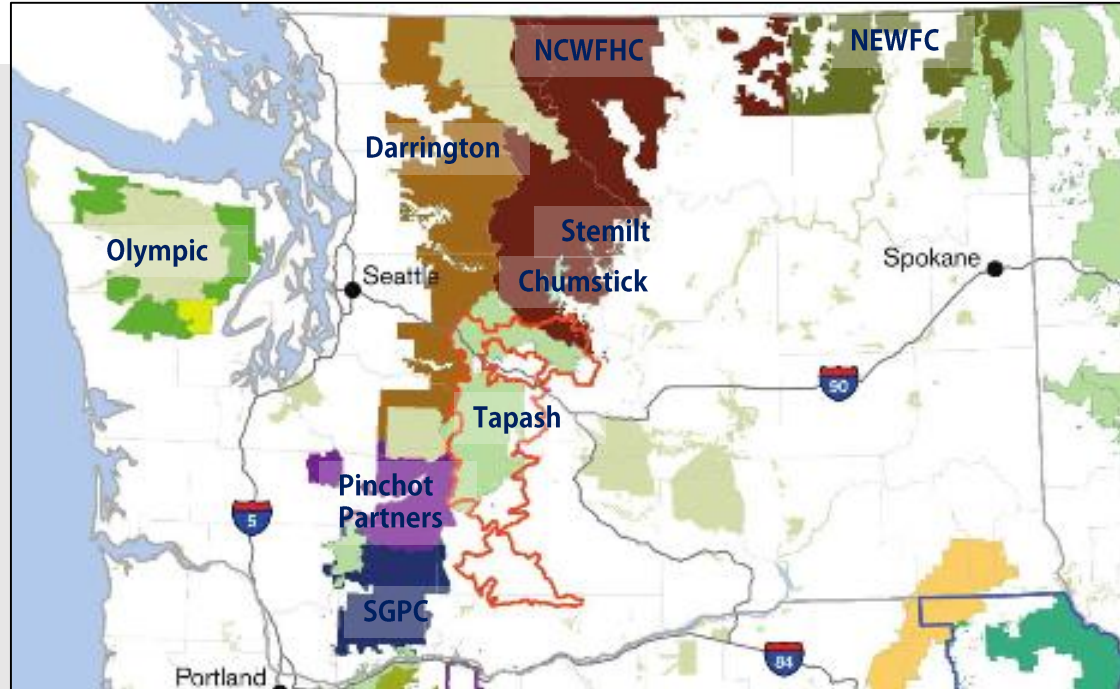
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Forest Health Collaborative Competitive Grant Programs Overview

- **WA State Legislature provided 2017-2019 Biennium Capital Budget funding**

- Objective: to support the ability of Forest Collaboratives to implement landscape-scale forest restoration and management activities in support of statewide forest health priorities
- \$1.6 million available and awarded
- Eastern WA activities are focused in 20-Year Forest Health Strategic Planning areas



Map adapted from the Washington Forest Collaborative Network.

- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot**

- Capacity Building
- \$207,000 available and awarded
- 9 collaboratives applied and awarded funding

- **Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program**

- Treatment Planning and Implementation
- \$1.4 million available and awarded
- 9 collaboratives applied, 8 collaboratives received funding
 - 6 full funding, 2 partial funding

Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot (Capacity Building)**
 - Support collaborative facilitation, technical analyses and other activities relating to agreement on design and implementation strategies to improve forest health
 - \$207,000 available and awarded
 - 9 collaboratives applied and awarded funding
- **Eligible Activities:**
 - Facilitation and coordination of workplans for planning areas for the 20-year Forest Health Strategic Plan
 - Organization and staff support, including facilitation, technical assistance, and networking
 - Outreach communication
 - Development of zones of agreement, action plans, and project proposals
 - Workshops and trainings
 - Technical analysis in support of project planning and implementation
- **Work Timelines**
 - Request for Proposals distributed: June 15, 2018
 - Evaluation and Awards made: July 26, 2018
 - Work needs to be completed by: June 30, 2019



Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

- **Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program (Treatment Planning and Implementation)**
 - Perform activities that contribute to the improvement of forest health
 - \$1.4 million available
 - \$1 million for eastern WA
 - \$400,000 for western WA
 - 9 collaboratives applied, 8 collaboratives received funding
 - 6 full funding, 2 partial funding
- **Eligible Activities:**
 - Vegetation treatments (thinning, prescribed fire, surface fuel chipping, etc.)
 - Coordination with landowners and stakeholders
 - Landscape evaluations
 - Planning (pre-NEPA including contract NEPA)
 - Data acquisition (LiDAR), surveys, etc.
 - Aquatic evaluations and data acquisitions (no funding for aquatic treatments)
 - Post-implementation monitoring
- **Work Timelines**
 - Request for Proposals distributed: July 19, 2018
 - Evaluation and Awards made: September 14, 2018
 - Work needs to be completed by: September, 2020

Activities Funded:

- **Planning: 120,400 acres**
- **Treatment Implementation: 2,600+ acres**



Forest Health Collaborative Competitive Grant Programs - Recipients

Collaborative Name	Infrastructure Pilot		Cross-Boundary	
	Funding Request	Funding Awarded	Funding Request	Funding Awarded
Chumstick Wildfire Stewardship Coalition	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$200,000	partial*
Darrington Collaborative	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$99,328	\$99,328
North Central Washington Forest Health Collaborative	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$396,520	\$0
Northeast Washington Forestry Coalition	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Olympic Peninsula Collaborative	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$70,580	\$70,580
Pinchot Partners	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$181,400	\$181,400
South Gifford Pinchot Collaborative	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$375,100	\$375,100
Stemilt Partnership	\$6,920	\$6,920	\$107,198	\$107,198
Tapash Sustainable Forest Collaborative	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$397,537	partial*
Totals	\$206,920	\$206,920	\$2,227,663	\$1,233,606

* Partial Funding Awarded = to be negotiated based on individual deliverables

Forest Health Collaborative Competitive Grant Programs - Recipients, Western WA



* Total funding awarded from both Infrastructure and Cross-Boundary Collaborative Grant Programs.

Map adapted from the Washington Forest Collaborative Network.

Olympic Peninsula Collaborative

www.OlympicForestCollaborative.org

Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

- Awarded \$25,000
- Develop Logo & website
- Regular communication with stakeholders
 - Public meetings, email list
- Planning for two, 70 acre commercial thinning projects

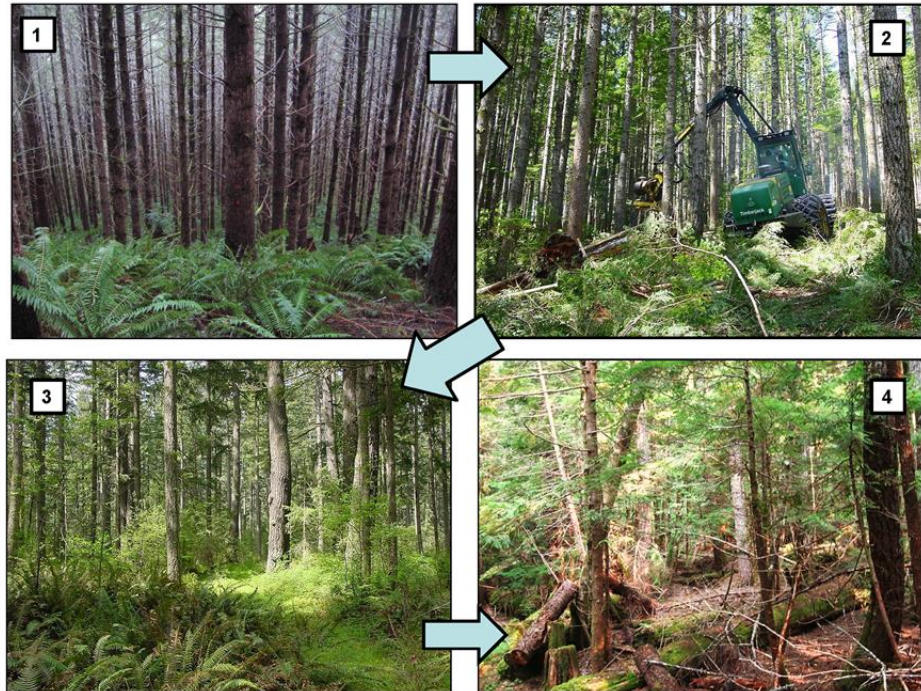
Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

- Awarded \$70,580
- Support commercial thinning projects with Olympic National Forest (140 acres)
 - Accelerate development of old-growth structure
- Establish monitoring protocol
- Evaluate and monitor 2 recent & 1 current commercial thinning projects



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Darrington Collaborative



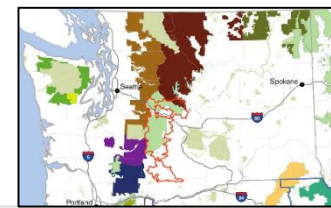
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■ Forest Collaborative Infrastructure

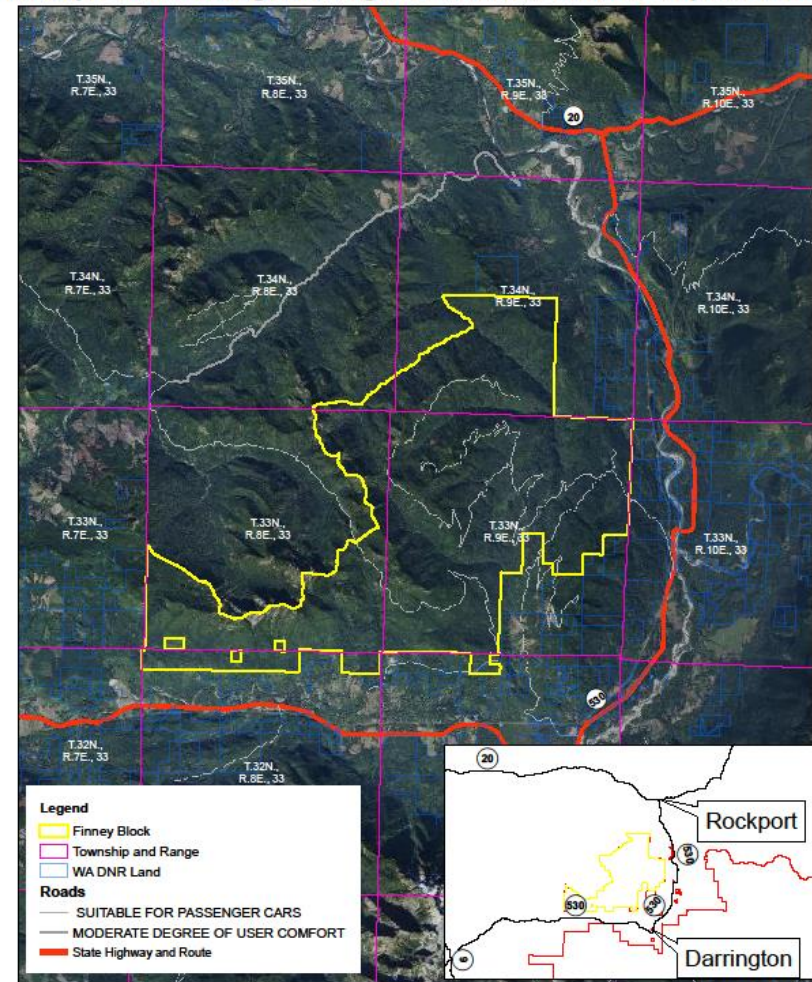
- Awarded \$25,000
- Develop logo
- Update website & make video
- Regular communication with stakeholders
 - Public meetings, emails
- Planning & support two, 70-acre commercial thinning projects

■ Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

- Awarded \$99,328
- Pre-NEPA analysis for 30,000 acre planning area
 - Mount-Baker Snoqualmie National Forest
 - Facilitates increase pace & scale for restoration work
- Monitoring protocol development
- Prescription & layout for 70-acre commercial thin
- Employ local youth in survey work

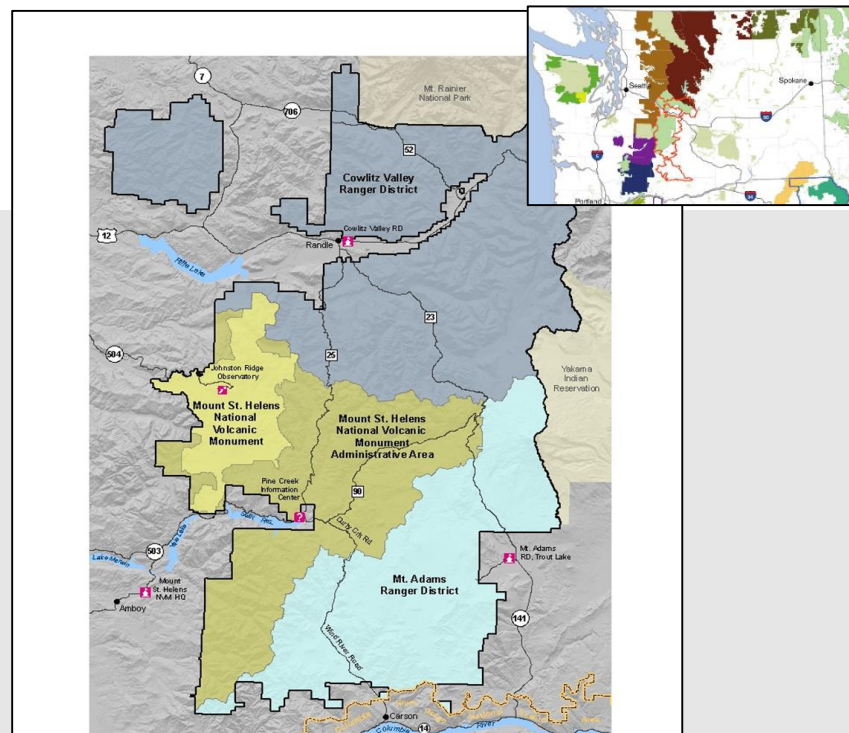


Darrington Collaborative DNR Cross-Boundary Grant Proposal Finney Block, Darrington Ranger District, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie NF



■ Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

- Awarded \$25,000
- Zones of Agreement among stakeholders
- Good Neighbor Authority
 - Proposal developed
- Expand membership diversity
 - Include students
- Expand public outreach



■ Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

- Awarded \$181,400
- Good Neighbor Authority layout of 400 acre timber sale on Gifford Pinchot National Forest
 - Commercial thinning
- Develop In-stream Wood Bank Network
 - Critical aquatic habitat restoration

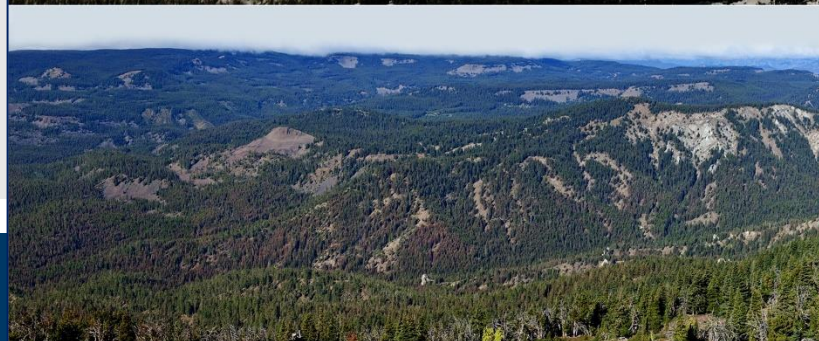
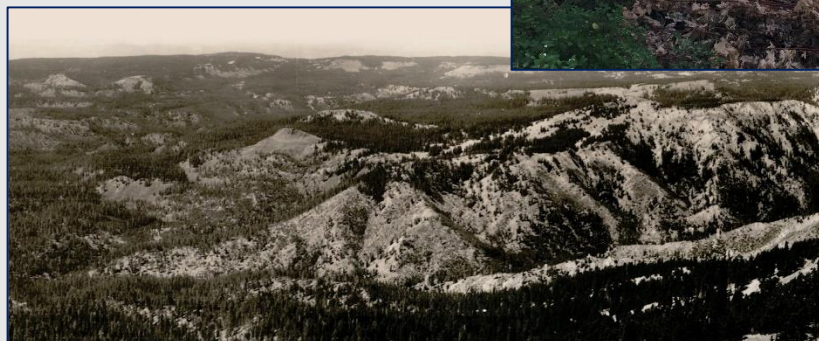
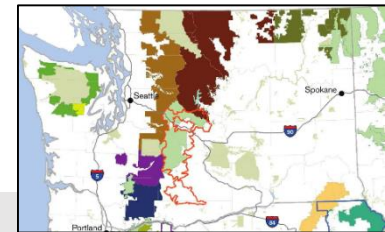


Working together since 2003



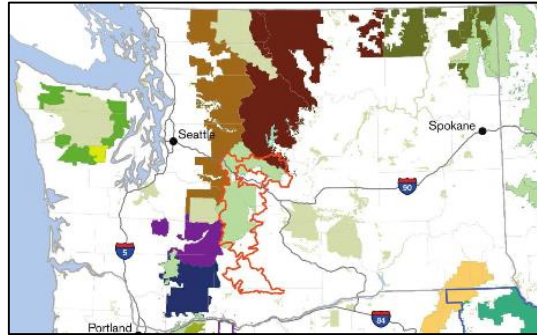
Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

- Awarded \$25,000
- Public outreach meetings and publications
- Collaborative meeting facilitation
- Treat ~250 acres
 - vegetative fuels reduction and chipping
 - Targeting private landowners



Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

- Awarded partial funding, TBD.
- Forestry plans for private landowners
- Fuel reduction treatments on private lands



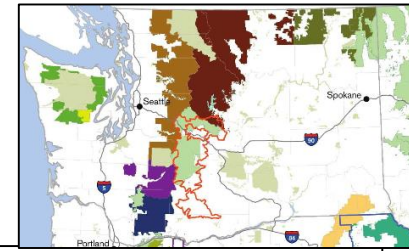
- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot**
 - Awarded \$25,000
 - Collaborative meetings with stakeholders for planning projects
 - Develop outreach materials
 - Integrate 20-Year Forest Health Strategic Plan priorities into Okanogan Wenatchee National Forest work plan
 - Develop monitoring program to track restoration projects



Overstocked unhealthy forest with high fire hazard, Peshastin



Same forest after thinning, pruning and slash treatment

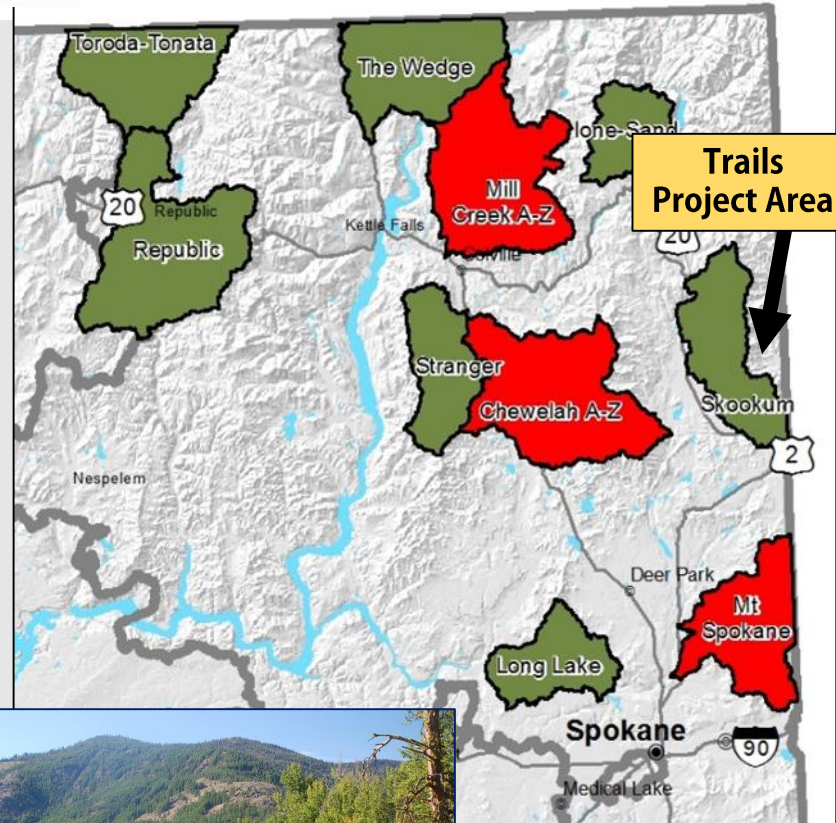


Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

- Awarded \$25,000
- Increase public outreach and engagement
- Develop educational materials
- Implement data management and storage system.

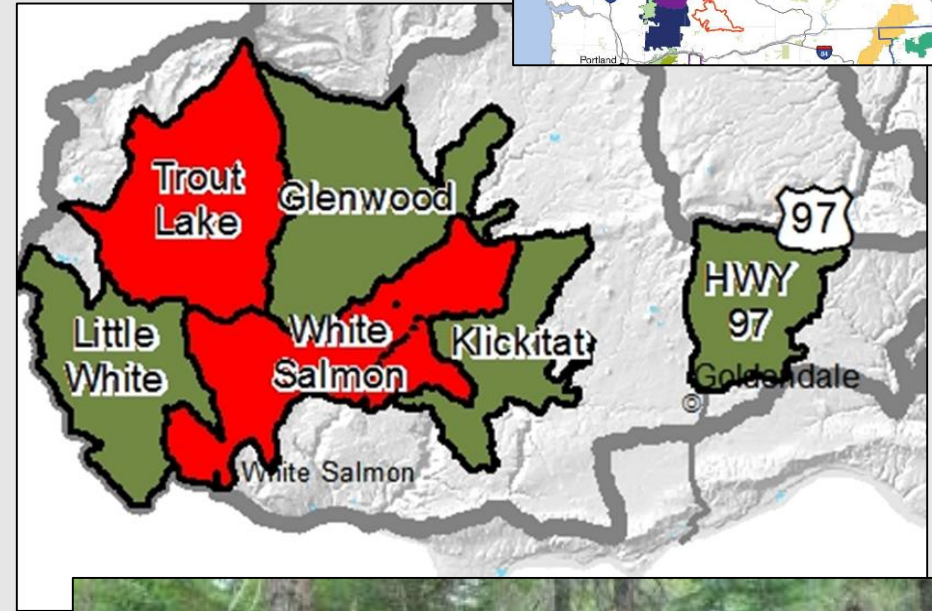
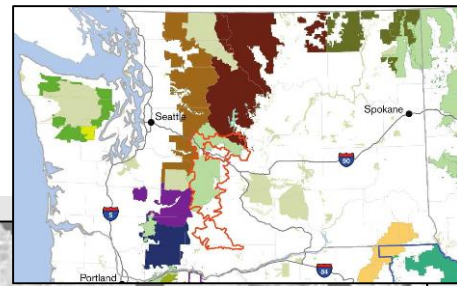
Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

- Awarded \$400,000
- Survey and environmental planning work for 90,000 acre area
 - Trails Project/Skookum Planning Area
 - Primarily Aquatic/Road Surveys
- Joint project of Kalispel Tribe, US Forest Service and DNR
- Public outreach





SOUTH GIFFORD PINCHOT COLLABORATIVE



Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

- Awarded \$25,000
- Facilitate meetings among South Mt. Adams and WA DNR regarding Planning Areas
- Zones of Agreement development
- Frame Economic Effects of Stewardship Contracting Case Study

Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

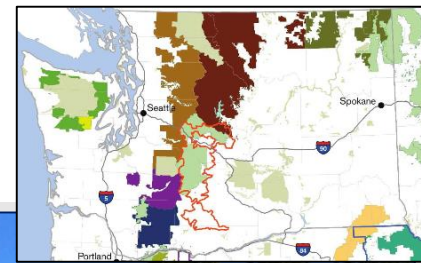
- Awarded \$375,000
- 427 acres of fuel break treatments along US Forest Service roads in Gifford Pinchot National Forest (GPNF)
- 250 acres prep for prescribed burn in GPNF
- All acres in Trout Lake Planning Area



Stemilt Partnership

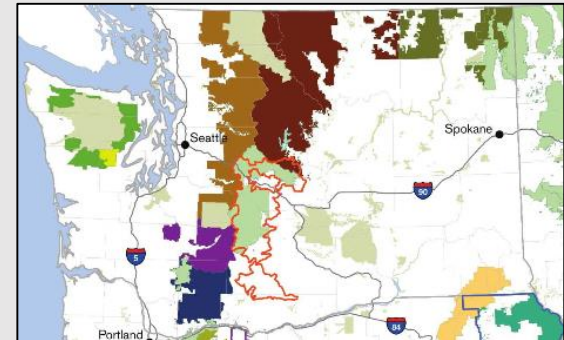
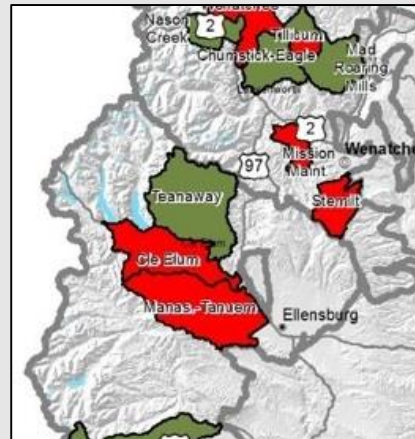
- **Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot**
 - Awarded \$6,920
 - Planning treatments identified in landscape evaluation
 - Facilitate Stemilt Partnership meetings
 - Coordinate stakeholders in various engaging capacities
 - Facilitate cross-jurisdictional fuels treatments

- **Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program**
 - Awarded \$107,198
 - 100+ acres of broadcast burning
 - Plan forest health treatments in Stemilt Planning Area



■ Forest Collaborative Infrastructure Pilot

- \$25,000
- Meetings to summarize landscape restoration goals
- Develop work plans for 2019-2020
- Facilitate Little Naches Working Group meetings
- Develop framework for an implementation and effectiveness plan for treatment maintenance goals
- Communications and outreach materials developed
- Coordinate collaborate meetings



■ Cross-Boundary Competitive Grant Program

- Awarded partial funding, TBD.
- Create story map, forest management open map
- Create forest management plans for private landowners
- Cle Elum Planning Area



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