

# Teanaway Community Forest

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# Community forest background



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# Legislative direction

In approving the Teanaway purchase, lawmakers directed DNR and WDFW to:

- Protect and enhance the **water supply** and protect the **watershed**
- Maintain **working lands** for forestry and livestock grazing while protecting watershed functions and habitat
- Provide **recreational opportunities** consistent with watershed protection
- Conserve and restore **fish and wildlife habitat** for fish and wildlife
- Support a strong **community partnership** in ongoing land management



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# Yakima River Basin



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# Teanaway Advisory Committee



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# Community outreach



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# Management plan

- Addresses each of the Legislature's goals for the Community Forest
- In addition, addresses law enforcement and road management strategies
- Calls for additional recreational planning



# Management plan

## Highlights

### Water supply and watershed protection

- Conserve and restore the watershed, minimize runoff, minimize road and trail impacts

### Forestry and grazing

- Maintain working lands
- Manage the forest to improve wildlife habitat and provide economic benefit
- Manage grazing to protect streams, riparian areas and meadows

### Recreation

- Develop a recreation plan that provides opportunities to access the forest while protecting the environment
- Evaluate the viability of motorcycle use within recreation planning process





# Management plan

## Highlights

### Fish and wildlife habitat

- Restore upland habitat and protect sensitive areas for wildlife
- Restore habitat to support optimum water quality for fish

### Community partnerships

- Manage the forest with strong local involvement and support
- Establish new relationships and volunteer opportunities
- Ensure strong enforcement and education



# Teanaway Community Forest improvements, 2014-2015



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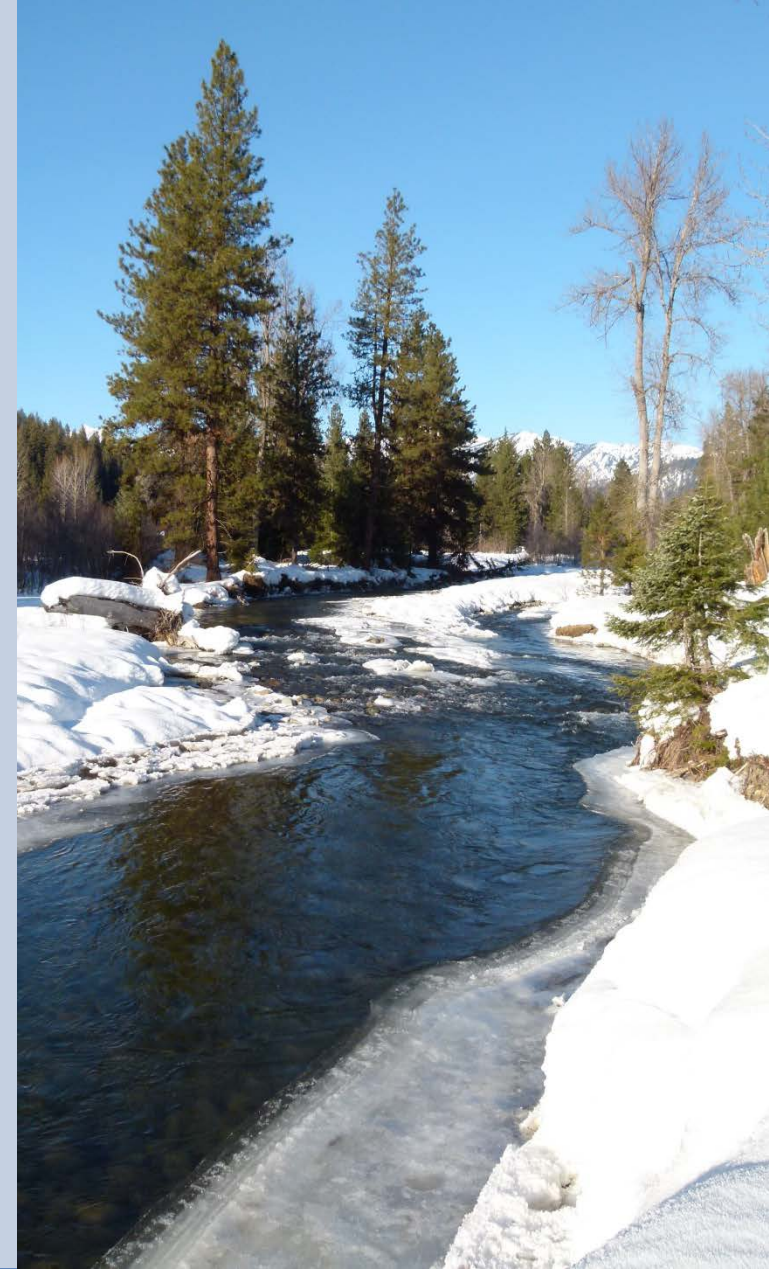


# Implementation:

## State operating budget

DNR and WDFW are requesting \$1.9 million in operating funds in 2015-17 to:

- Improve fish and wildlife habitat
- Work on roads and campgrounds
- Complete a recreation plan
- Provide law enforcement presence

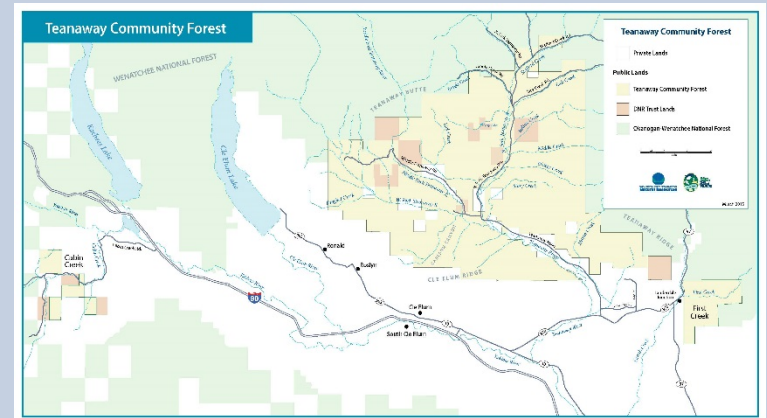


# Implementation:

## State capital budget

DNR and WDFW are requesting \$1.3 million in capital funds in 2015-17 to:

- Thin forests and reduce wildfire risk, \$350,000
- Improve recreation/campgrounds, \$180,000
- Remove fish passage barriers and improve roads, \$600,000
- Plus, \$18.8 million to transfer 5,160 acres of inholdings



**Questions?**

