

Primer Questions Vision and Values

The vision describes the desired state of forests looking forward over the next twenty years and informs the nature and intent of the strategic plan. The vision can reflect desire states and essential needs, it can be limited to the forest itself, but can include additional parameters (e.g., ecologic, social, economic, etc.) and dynamics therein.

Ignoring constraints and considering current concerns, challenges, and needs, what is the vision for Oregon's forests and forestry looking forward twenty years? What do forests provide that are essential both regionally and beyond and how does the vision reflect those requirements?

The prior vision of the 2011 *Forestry Program for Oregon* (FPFO) included the following, "the Board of Forestry's vision is that Oregon will have:

1. Healthy forests providing an integrated, sustainable flow of environmental, economic, and social outputs and benefits.
2. Public and private landowners willingly making investments to create and maintain healthy forests.
3. Statewide forest resource policies that are coordinated among natural resource agencies.
4. The Board of Forestry recognized as an impartial deliberative body operating openly and in the public interest to achieve the Board's mission.
5. Citizens who understand, accept, and support sustainable forestry and who make informed decisions that contribute to achievement of the vision of the Forestry Program for Oregon.
6. Adequate funding for the Department of Forestry to efficiently and effectively accomplish the mission and strategies of the Board of Forestry, and department personnel policies that encourage and recognize employees, allowing them to meet their full potential in providing excellent public service."

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