

## Ecoregions in Oregon



# I live in the Coast Range ecoregion

Oregon's Coast Range ecoregion is made up of unique and diverse habitats from sandy dunes to lush forests, from tidepools to mountain streams, from grasslands to oak woodlands. It encompasses a rich coastline, temperate rainforests and steep mountains. The area is a hub for fishing, shellfishing, fish processing, forest products and transportation. Forestry is the primary industry in the interior portion and tourism is important to local communities. Unfortunately, due to a number of issues including land use change, development, invasive species and water quality much habitat has been lost or degraded, putting some of the ecoregion's wildlife at varying degrees of risk—healthy fish and wildlife populations need healthy habitats.

Learning about the at-risk species and their habitats in your ecoregion gives you the information you need to get involved in conserving Oregon's fish and wildlife for your enjoyment and that of future generations.

## Strategy Habitats and Species

Important habitats in the ecoregion include coastal dunes, estuaries, grasslands, late-successional forests, oak woodlands, riparian, wetlands (particularly forested wetlands) and freshwater aquatic. The Oregon Nearshore Strategy has information about marine life and habitats of the nearshore ocean.

Strategy species in need of help include coastal tailed frog, band-tailed pigeon, black oystercatcher, tufted puffin, American marten, coho salmon and western brook lamprey. See back of sheet for more information.



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## Coastal tailed frog: I live in the Coast Range ecoregion

Coastal tailed frogs live in fast running streams and can sometimes be found on damp banks or under rocks. They like cold water and their coloring often matches the color of local rock. Populations may be declining due to forest management practices and other activities along streams which alter habitat. This species is found in this ecoregion from near sea level to high-mountain streams.

**Fun fact: This frog doesn't croak. In fact, it has no voice.**



# Partial list of Oregon Conservation Strategy Coast Range Ecoregion Strategy Species and Invasive Species

*Strategy species* are species of greatest conservation need; they have low or declining populations due, many times, to habitat loss and degradation. *Invasive species* are non-native plants or animals that can negatively impact native habitats both economically and environmentally.

## STRATEGY SPECIES

### Mammals

American marten  
Red tree vole  
Silver-haired bat  
Townsend's big-eared bat

### Amphibians and reptiles

Clouded salamander  
Coastal tailed frog  
Columbia torrent salamander  
Cope's giant salamander  
Foothill yellow-legged frog  
Western toad  
Northwestern pond turtle

### Birds

American bald eagle  
American peregrine falcon  
Band-tailed pigeon  
Black brant  
Black oystercatcher  
California brown pelican  
Marbled murrelet  
Olive-sided flycatcher  
Rock sandpiper  
Tufted puffin

### Plants

Cascade Head catchfly  
Coast Range fawn-lily  
Western lily  
Wolf's evening-primrose

### Invertebrates

Hoary elfin butterfly  
Oregon silverspot butterfly

### Fish

Chinook salmon (Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast ESU, fall run)

Coho salmon (Oregon Coast ESU)  
Coastal cutthroat trout (Oregon Coast ESU)  
Green sturgeon  
Steelhead (Oregon Coast ESU, summer run)  
Umpqua chub  
Western brook lamprey

## INVASIVE SPECIES

### Invasive Animals

Asian clam  
Bullfrog  
European starling  
Feral swine  
Goldfish  
Green crab  
Grass carp  
Mute swan  
New Zealand mudsnail  
Nutria  
Red-eared slider turtle  
Virginia opossum

### Invasive Plants

Brooms (Scotch, Spanish, Portuguese)  
Butterfly bush  
English ivy  
Eurasian milfoil  
European beachgrass  
False brome  
Gorse  
Himalayan blackberry  
Knotweeds (Japanese, giant, Himalayan)  
Purple loosestrife  
Spartina  
Yellow flag iris

A complete list of Strategy species can be found on the ODFW Web site. Click Conservation Strategy on the home page.

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[www.oregonwatersheds.org/](http://www.oregonwatersheds.org/)

For more information on the Oregon Conservation Strategy and the Oregon Nearshore Strategy, visit the ODFW Web site.  
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