

Grant Application



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1 Have you previously applied for a grant from the Oregon Wildlife Foundation?

yes

2 Has a previously submitted grant application been denied funding support?

no

3 Title of your proposed project

B2S Wildlife Corridor Feasibility Study

4 Name of your organization

Oregon Wildlife Foundation

5 If your organization is not a 501c3 nonprofit, please identify your fiscal sponsor

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If this does not apply to you, write N/A

NA

6 Your name or the name of the Project Manager

Tim Greseth

7 organization mailing address

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Please enter full address with city, state & zip

2337 NW York Street, Suite 201C, Portland, OR 97210

8 your phone number or that of the Project Manager

503-939-2257

9 your email address or that of the Project Manager

tim@myowf.org

10 a brief biographical statement about yourself or that of the Project Manager

Tim is the Executive Director of the Oregon Wildlife Foundation

11 social media handles that your organization uses

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Enter social handles or URLs such as instagram, facebook, twitter, youtube, etc. so that we can use to cross promote on our channels - if you do not have any, please place N/A

NA

12 are you are currently following Oregon Wildlife Foundation on its social media channels?

- Instagram

- LinkedIn

- Twitter

- YouTube

13 what is the total estimated cost of your project?

125000

14 Funding that you are requesting from OWF -
If you're request is for more than \$5,000, please contact Tim Greseth - tim@myowf.org before submitting your application.

50000

15 what type of project are your proposing?

fish or wildlife research

16 will your project address an Oregon Conservation Strategy habitat or species?

yes

17 what is the location of your proposed project?

Highway 20 between Bend, Oregon and Suttle Lake in central Oregon

18 what ecoregion and Conservation Opportunity Area (COA) is your proposed project located in?
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See <https://www.compass.dfw.state.or.us/> for the information you need to answer this question

East Cascades, West Cascades; Metolius River Area COA

19 what is the anticipated start date of your project? -
Day/Month/Year

15-04-2023

20 what is the anticipated end date of your project?

15-04-2024

21 has a local, state or federal biologist reviewed this project?

yes

22 have you already or will you obtain necessary permits from all requisite agencies as applicable to proposed project?

yes

23 what will the funds you are requesting be used for?
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 this would be a good time to review, if you haven't already done so, our grantmaking guidelines at www.myowf.org/grants

Contracting with a qualified firm to conduct a feasibility study of the target highway corridor

24 provide us a brief summary of your proposed project

The Bend to Suttle Lake Wildlife Passage Initiative (“B2S”) would like to secure a contractor to produce a corridor assessment and conceptual design for wildlife crossings along Highway 20, between Bend and Suttle Lake, Oregon.

25 upload pre-project pictures or a video
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 By submitting these photos or video I warrant that I am the legal owner of this media and grant the Foundation permission to reproduce, exhibit, or publish them for all general purposes in relation to Oregon Wildlife Foundation's work. If you have questions about photo or video submissions please refer to myowf.org/grants for guidance.

2 Documents Uploaded

26 fill out our budget form

Project Revenue	Cash	In-Kind	Committed / Pending
Oregon Wildlife Foundation Request	50000		Pending
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	25000		Pending
Oregon Conservation & Recreation Fund	50000		Pending
REVENUE	125000.00	0.00	
		TOTAL PROJECT SUPPORT	125000.00

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I understand that I am required to submit a Project Completion Report, copies of any publications or social media posts crediting the Foundation's support, and post-project pictures at the completion of my project

yes

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Bend to Suttle Lake Wildlife Passage Initiative
Highway 20 Wildlife Crossing Project Assessment and Conceptual Design

OVERVIEW

The Bend to Suttle Lake Wildlife Passage Initiative (“B2S”) is seeking a contractor to produce a corridor assessment and conceptual design for wildlife crossings along Highway 20, between Bend and Suttle Lake, Oregon.

NEED FOR THIS PROJECT

Mule deer in central Oregon must migrate to survive. Each summer, they travel westward, up to 100 miles, from the arid shrub-steppe to access lush vegetation in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains. In the fall they return to lower elevations, before snow accumulates, to spend the winter on publicly and privately-owned shrub-steppe lands. These long-distance movements between their winter and summer ranges often bring mule deer them into conflict with humans.

Mule deer and elk in Oregon are susceptible to wildlife-vehicle collisions (WVCs) in central and eastern Oregon along Hwy 20, a major highway bisecting their historic migration routes. This is especially concerning for the mule deer population, which are already in decline throughout central and eastern Oregon. Each year, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) documents more than 152 mule deer carcasses in this section of Hwy 20 as the result of vehicle strikes. According to Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) estimates, between 50-100% of the number recorded are wounded and die outside the right-of-way, making the annual number of deer mortalities as high as 450 animals. This high rate of mortality accounts for almost 30% of known mule deer deaths in central Oregon (Schuyler et al. 2018).

As a major travel route from the Willamette Valley through central Oregon, Hwy 20 is currently undergoing expansion with passing lanes planned near Tumalo and Bend. Additional traffic is expected to increase WVCs involving migrating mule deer. Analyses of GPS locations from 492 mule deer tracked during a 2005-2011 ODFW study indicated that many critical migratory routes intersect Hwy 20 in this area. Annual average daily traffic (AADT) along this corridor is 12,000 vehicles and increasing. When considered alongside recent speed limit increases from 55 mph to 65 mph, volumes will almost certainly reach the threshold where Hwy 20 becomes a barrier to wildlife movement (Coe et al. 2015).

CONNECTION TO EXISTING FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL ASSESSMENTS OR PLANS

The 2019 Oregon Action Plan for implementation of the Department of the Interior's Secretarial Order 3362 identified Hwy 20 as a priority for maintaining movement corridors for mule deer. In addition, “Barriers to Animal Movement” is one of seven Key Conservation Issues (KCIs) outlined within ODW's Oregon Conservation Strategy; the overarching state strategy for conserving Oregon's fish and wildlife species. The importance of species and habitat connectivity is identified under Goal 2 of the Barriers to Animal Movement KCI: ‘Provide connectivity of habitat for the broad array of wildlife species throughout Oregon’ (Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife 2016).

Development of a wildlife passage corridor plan for this section of Hwy 20 will help inform future transportation planning efforts for Deschutes County and ODOT. Identifying possible wildlife passage features along Hwy 20 now creates opportunities as future road improvement and other projects are planned. Areas identified by this project can be considered in conjunction with other improvement projects, reducing the cost of implementation and increasing the likelihood that wildlife passage features to support wildlife movement and reduce collision risk will be built.

PROJECT GOAL

Improve wildlife passage and motorist safety along Highway 20 between Bend and Suttle Lake, Oregon.

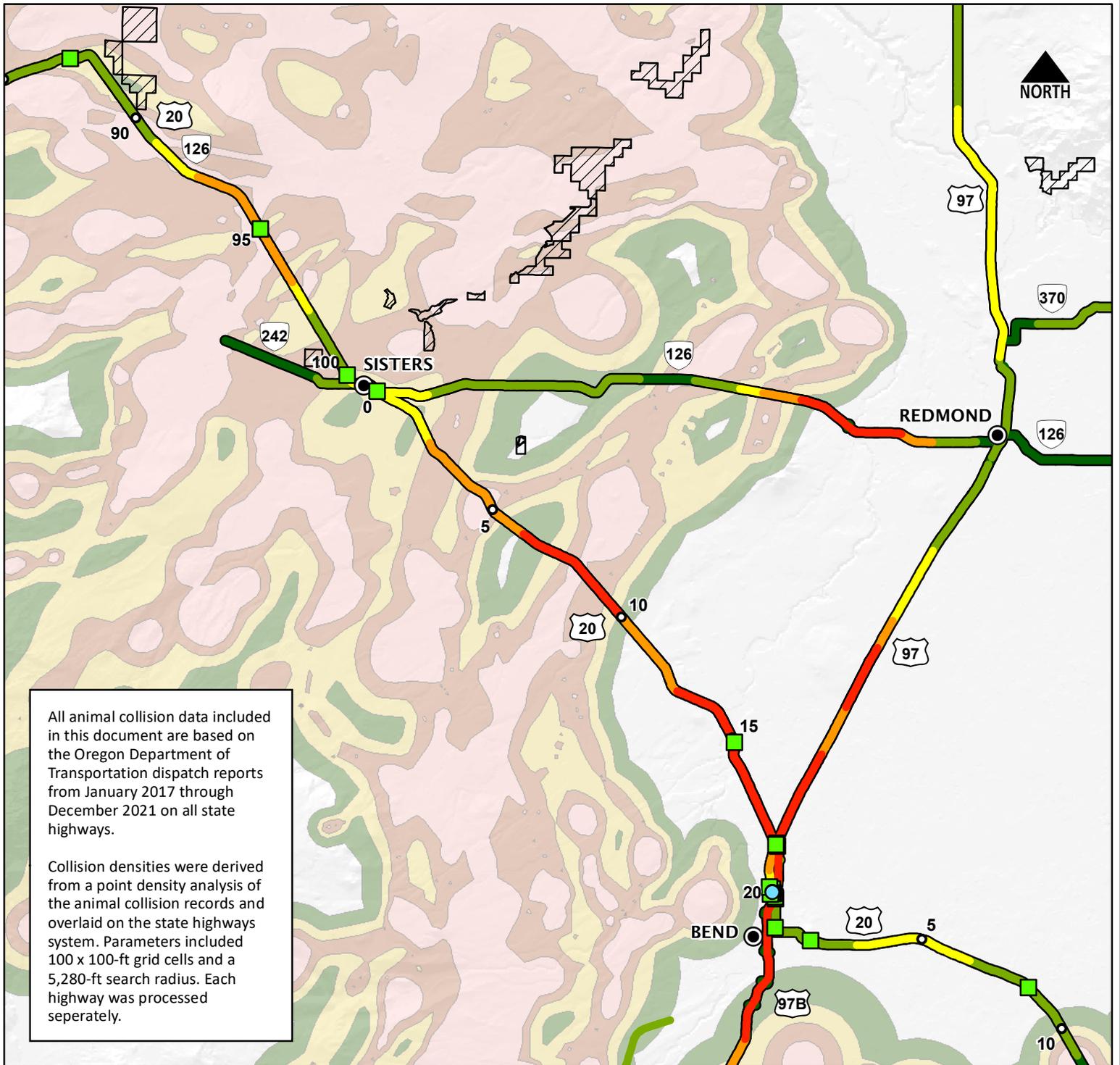
PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Phase 1: Complete a corridor assessment for potential multi-species wildlife crossing sites along Highway 20 between mile marker 0-18 and 83-100.
- Phase 2: Complete alternatives analysis and conceptual designs for the wildlife crossings sites identified in the corridor assessments with sufficient detail to enable the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to begin preliminary design.
- Phase 3: Complete preliminary design for a dedicated wildlife crossing site at Indian Ford near Black Butte to enable ODOT to begin project initiation.
- Request for proposal should include a phased plan with costs per phase to achieve a final design.

This is an OWF-sponsored Project

DEER/ELK COLLISION DENSITY ON OREGON HIGHWAYS

JANUARY 2017 - DECEMBER 2021



All animal collision data included in this document are based on the Oregon Department of Transportation dispatch reports from January 2017 through December 2021 on all state highways.

Collision densities were derived from a point density analysis of the animal collision records and overlaid on the state highways system. Parameters included 100 x 100-ft grid cells and a 5,280-ft search radius. Each highway was processed separately.

WILDLIFE-VEHICLE COLLISION DENSITY

- 1 - 5 per mile
- 6 - 15 per mile
- 16 - 20 per mile
- 21 - 30 per mile
- 31 - 46 per mile

PROBABILITY MULE DEER PRESENCE

- Low
- Medium Low
- Medium High
- High

Deschutes Land Trust Properties

Culvert ≥ 6' Wide

Bridge

Milepoint

Mule Deer Migration data provided by Oregon Department of Fisheries and Wildlife.

0 Miles 8



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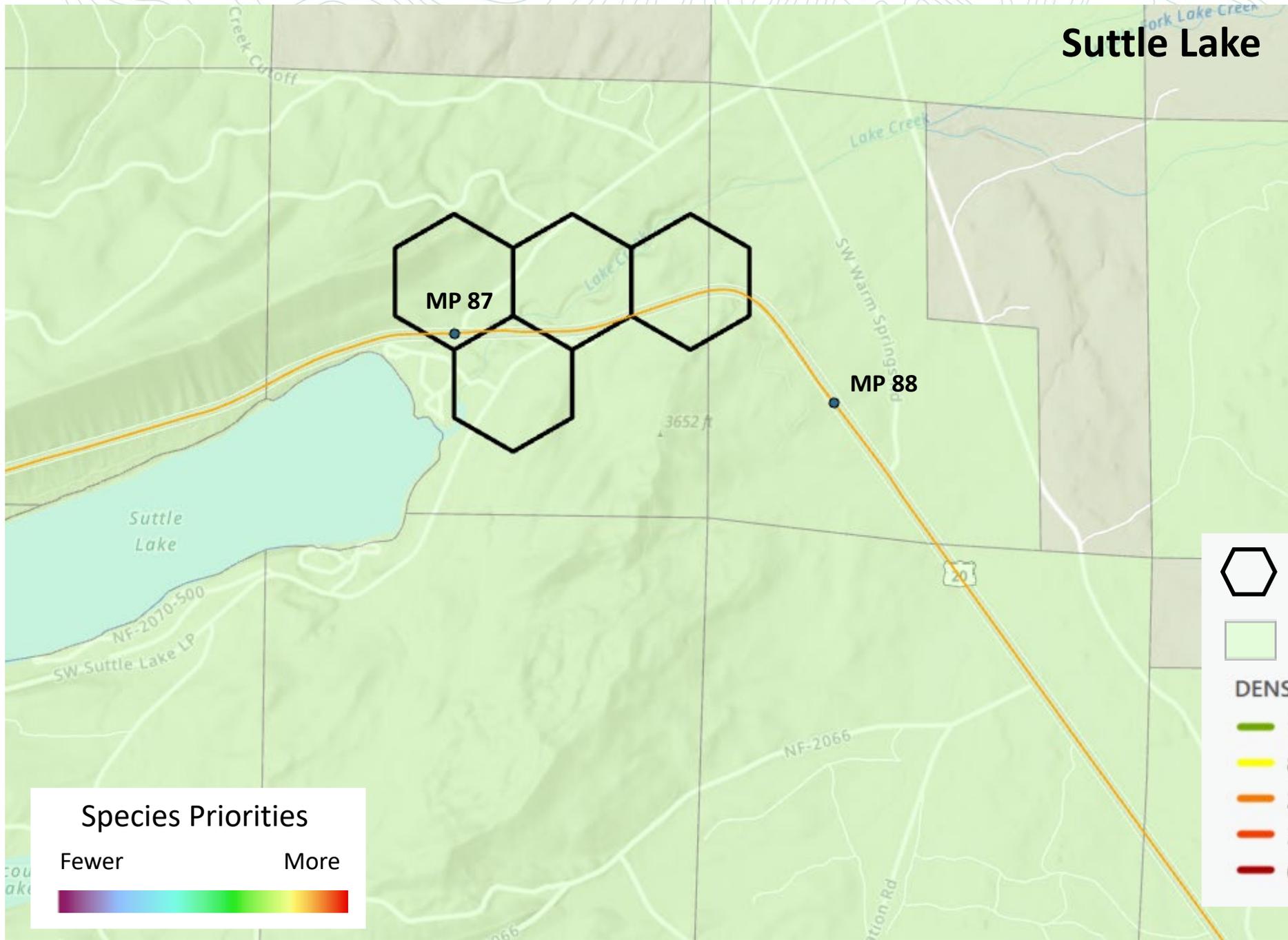


 PCA Crosses US 20

 Public Lands

DENSITY

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-  8.1 - 19
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-  36 - 59
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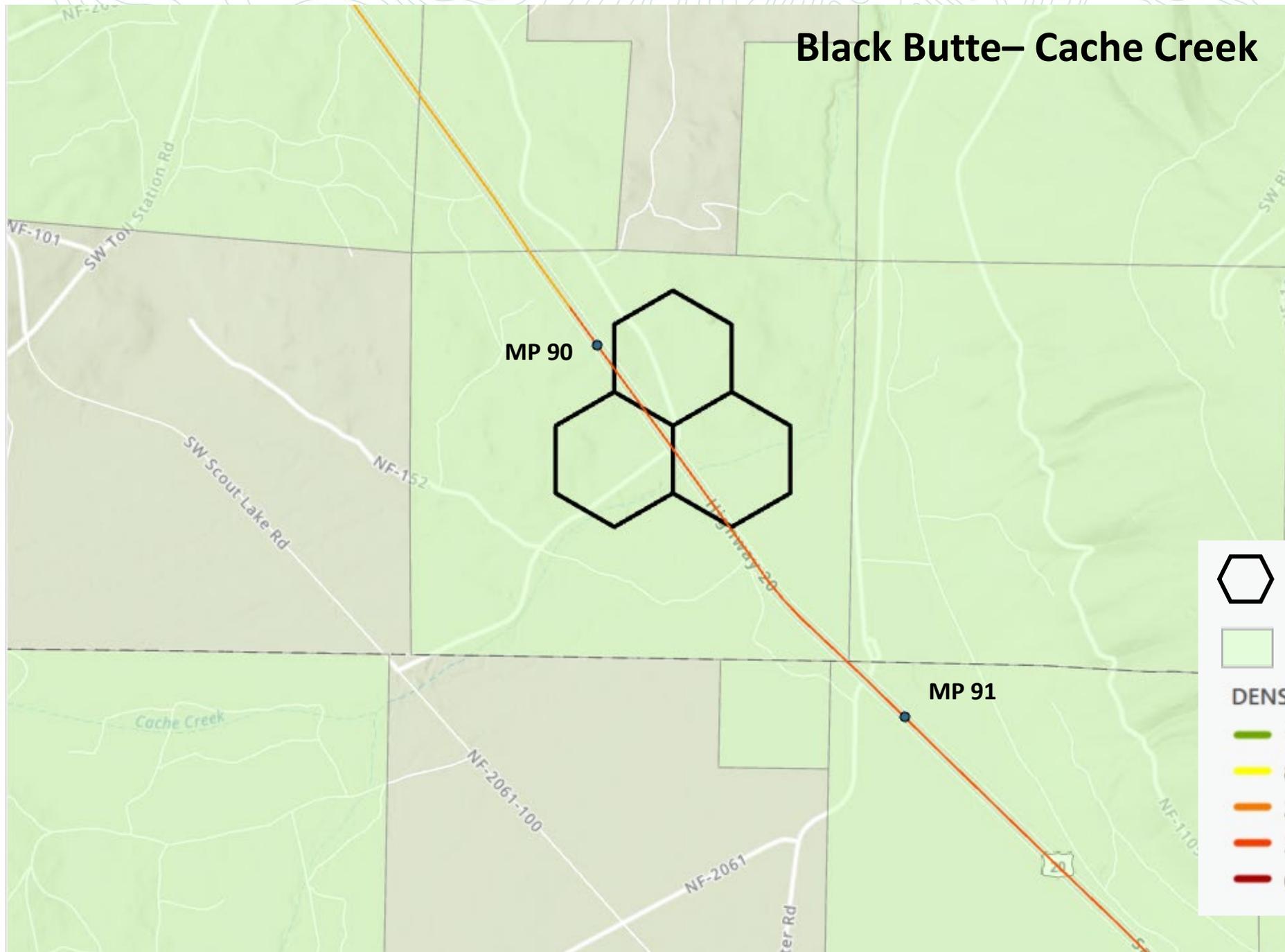
Species Priorities

Fewer More





Black Butte– Cache Creek



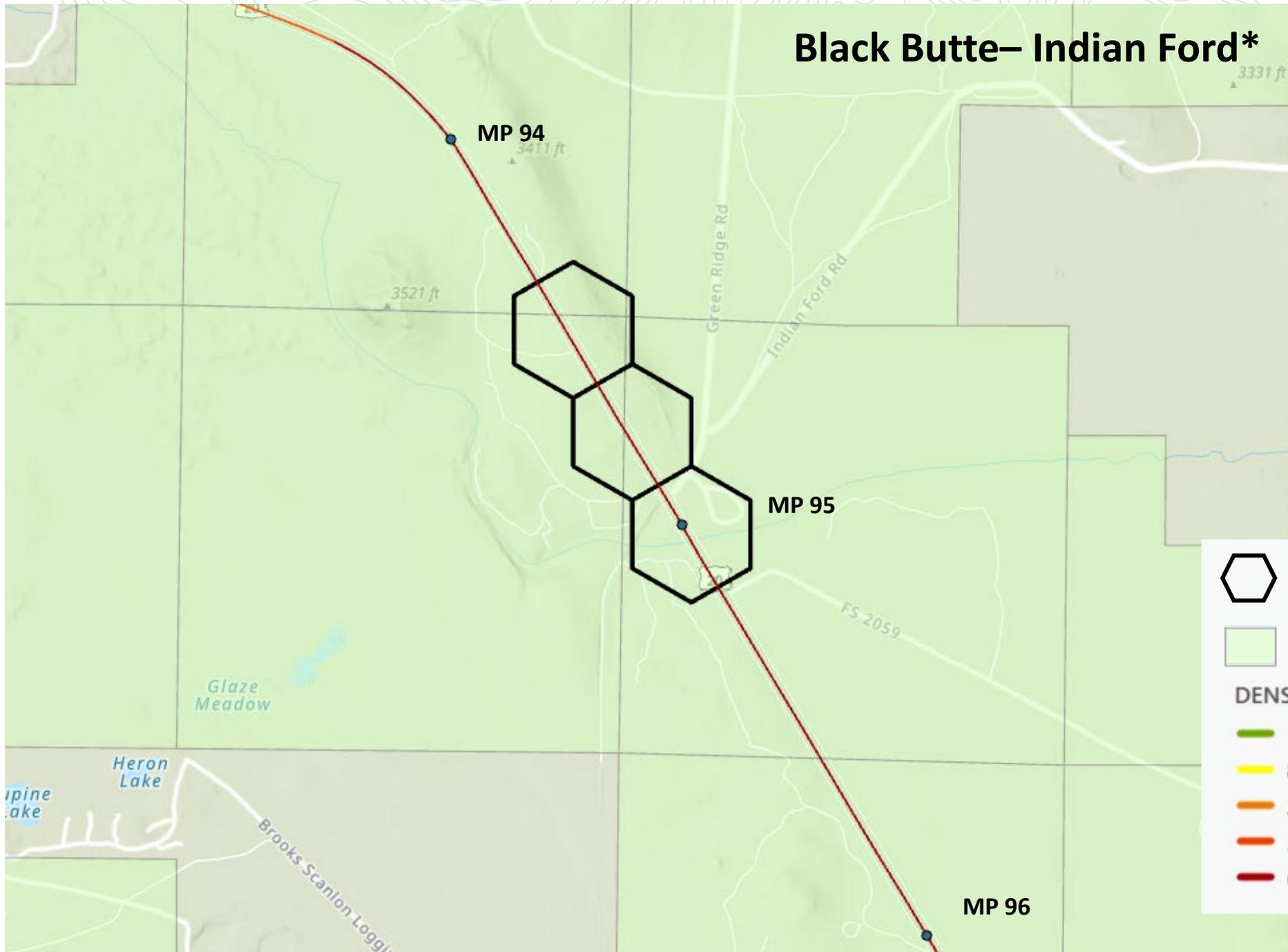
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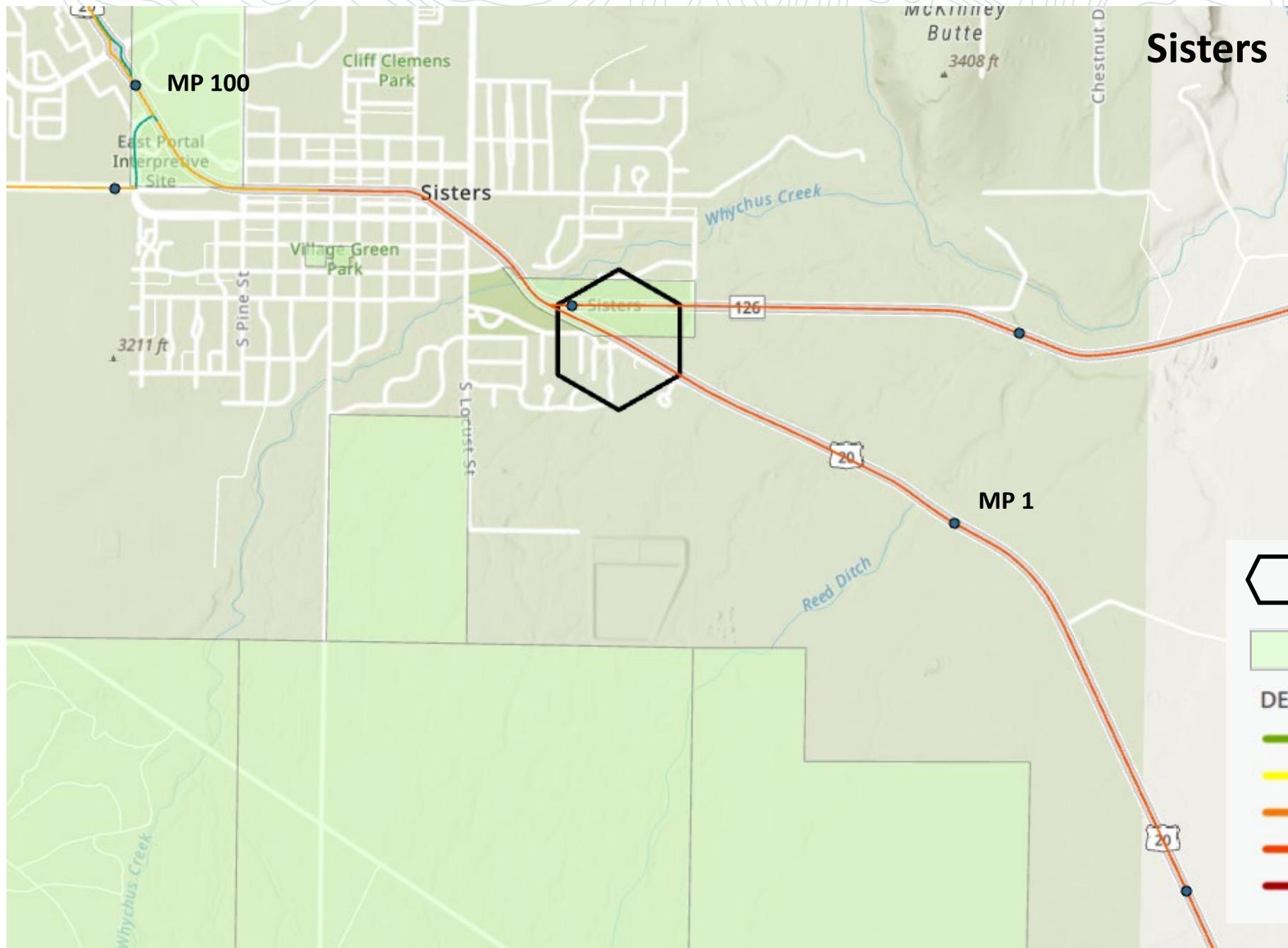
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Black Butte– Indian Ford*



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South of Tumalo

