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Forest Sector Progress in Restoring Fish Passage

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Forests & Fish Success

- Road Maintenance & Abandonment Plans
 - Central to the 1999 Salmon Recovery Act (“Forests & Fish”)
 - Habitat Conservation Plan (2006) achieved Endangered Species Act compliance
 - Secured Clean Water Act compliance assurances
- Family Forest Fish Passage Program
 - “Checklist” RMAP for family forest landowners
 - Current backlog of 585 projects



Forests & Fish Success

- RMAP Progress
 - 66% of industry forestland barriers corrected
 - Completion by 2021, many by 2016
- Key features of this system:
 - Inventory
 - Prioritize “worst first”
 - Schedule “even flow”
 - Execute, monitor, keep pace
- DNR forested state trust lands



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Salmon Recovery: Shared Responsibility Across the Landscape



Forests & Fish Passage

- Model Programmatic process
 - Plan/schedule
 - Accountability
 - Implement/review
- Other benefits:
 - Sediment delivery/water quality
 - Road stability
 - Reduced maintenance



Opening Habitat on Forest Land

- Success
 - Opened: 3288 stream miles
 - Repaired: 5142 barriers
 - Abandoned/restored: 5000 miles
- Investment
 - Private investment: \$167 million
 - Small landowners: \$17+ million
- Challenges:
 - Funding small landowner program
 - Connecting watershed investment

