

DESCHUTES LAND TRUST STRATEGIC VISION 2025-2030

Our Mission: to conserve and care for the lands and waters that sustain Central Oregon, so local communities and the natural world can flourish together for generations to come. To achieve our mission, we make the following core commitments:

COMMITMENT #1

Scale up conservation, stewardship, and restoration across Central Oregon.

Climate change and our rapidly growing region are placing enormous pressure on our life-sustaining resources: clean air, clean water, and native plants and animals. We will work with our communities and partners to prioritize, conserve, and restore lands in Central Oregon using place-based, data-driven, landscape-scale approaches.

COMMITMENT #2

Connect everyone—to the land, nature, and each other.

We believe that people are a part of the natural world. Together we can create places for ALL communities to connect with the Land Trust and the lands we conserve.

COMMITMENT #3

Restore access, stewardship, and ownership of land to Tribes and Tribal communities.

The Land Trust upholds the Tribal rights of sovereign nations, and we honor and support their role as the original stewards of the land and water. We will work collaboratively with these Nations to return access, stewardship, and land.

COMMITMENT #4

Grow Deschutes Land Trust's leadership role and organizational capacity.

Strong organizations can create lasting change in our community. We strive to build the Land Trust of the future to help conserve and care for the lands and waters our region needs to thrive.

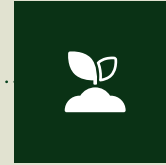


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1. Scale up conservation, stewardship, and restoration across Central Oregon.

- Collaborate on landscape-scale conservation, stewardship, and restoration for the health of our lands and waters and to mitigate the impacts of climate change.
- Develop abundant financial resources that help us move quickly on key opportunities.
- Complete conservation and restoration projects that matter to our neighbors in rural and urban communities throughout Central Oregon.
- Increase integration of community wildfire resiliency and Indigenous Traditional Ecological and Cultural Knowledge in our stewardship and conservation work.



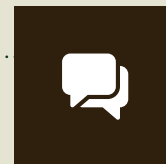
2. Connect everyone—to the land, nature, and each other.

- Create Land Trust Preserves that reduce barriers to access for ALL communities.
- Provide new ways for people to connect with Land Trust conserved lands.
- Align conservation and stewardship priorities with community needs.
- Inspire people and communities to connect to nature and each other.



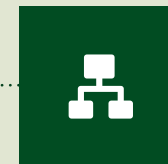
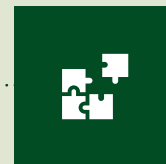
3. Restore access, stewardship, and ownership of land to Tribes and Tribal communities.

- Engage with and learn from Tribal partners.
- Together with Tribes, co-lead conservation, restoration, and stewardship planning and implementation on Land Trust conserved lands.
- Restore Tribal access to Land Trust conserved lands.
- Support and assist in the return of land to Tribes.



4. Grow Deschutes Land Trust's leadership role and organizational capacity.

- Grow and strengthen our network of partners to advance our shared goals and values.
- Build systems, resources, and connections to sustain long-term organizational and financial health.
- Match our capacity across all staff departments and the Board of Directors to our plans and ambitions.
- Develop a Board and staff that reflect the Central Oregon communities we serve.



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