Federal Land Treatments Funded by State of Washington

• WA State has funded a limited amount of hazard reduction treatments on federal lands from 2010 to 2014.

• $552K from state capital budget for timber sale layout and fuel reduction treatments on Colville and Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forests.

• 4,823 acres treated.
Forest Health Legislative Report

• WA Legislature requested DNR to provide a report documenting:
  - Forest health treatments on state, private, tribal and federal lands from 2010 to 2014.
  - Estimate of forest restoration needs from 2015 through 2020.
  - Recommended funding mechanisms.
Forest Health Legislative Report

• Strategy 1: Increase the pace and scale of forest restoration.

• Strategy 2: Strengthen collaborative processes that engage all forest landowners and stakeholders.

• Strategy 3: Promote Fire Adapted Communities.

• Strategy 4: Increase workforce capacity and expertise for forest restoration.

• Strategy 5: Strengthen existing markets and create new markets for small diameter wood.
2015 -17 Forest Health Capital Budget Request

- $20 million requested from WA Legislature by DNR.
  - $5M State Land Forest Health Restoration
  - $1.3M Firewise Communities
  - $2.0M Veterans Forest Corps
  - $7.5M Private Lands Forest Treatments
  - $2.2M Cross-Boundary Forest Health Restoration
  - $2.0M Reforestation in Wildfire-Damaged Areas
2015 -17 Forest Health Capital Budget Request

Components of $2.2M Cross-Boundary Forest Health Restoration:

- National Forest NEPA ready treatments.

- Innovative planning techniques. Goal is for analysis that yields 30,000 acres of planned treatments.

- Collaborative support.
2015-2017 NE WA Joint Chiefs’ Landscape Restoration Initiative

- USFS, NRCS and DNR partnered on $4.5 million Joint Chiefs proposal in NE WA.

- 30,478 acres of hazard reduction treatments on Colville National Forest and adjacent private lands.

- Good example of agencies working together to leverage additional funding.
We are running out of time!