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RULE TITLE: Purpose

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RULE SUMMARY: The Department is proposing adoption of revisions to sage-grouse core and low-density habitat maps.

RULE TEXT:
These administrative rules establish the policy of the Commission for the protection and enhancement of Greater Sage-Grouse in Oregon. These rules incorporate and supplement portions of the "Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy for Oregon" (2011) ("the Strategy") which sets population and habitat management objectives, and defines and governs the Department's core area approach to conservation of sage-grouse in Oregon, and adopt and incorporate the revised "Oregon Sage-Grouse Core and Low-Density Habitat Map" (2023) which upon its adoption is the best available science on Greater Sage-Grouse distribution, available habitat, and core area and low density areas and should function as a replacement to Figure 29 in the Strategy. These rules also advance sage-grouse population and habitat protection through a mitigation hierarchy and the establishment of a mitigation standard for impacts from certain types of development actions in sage-grouse habitat. In the event of a conflict between the "Strategy" and these rules, these rules govern.
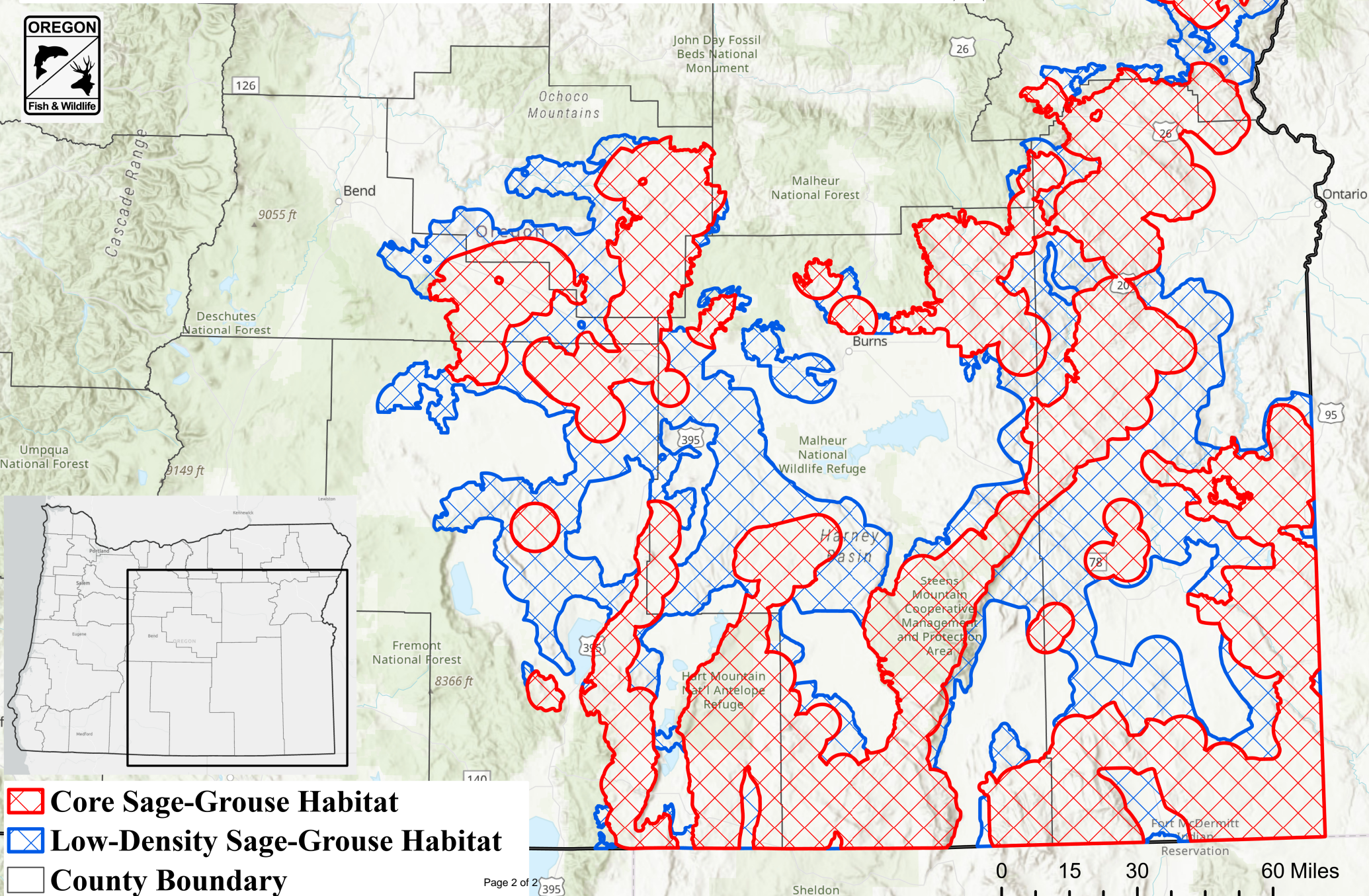
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Oregon Sage-Grouse Core and Low-Density Habitat

Updated in 2023

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Legend:

- ▭ **Core Sage-Grouse Habitat**
- ▧ **Low-Density Sage-Grouse Habitat**
- ▭ **County Boundary**

0   15   30   60 Miles