

PROPOSAL – Touchet River and Grassland 2016

2,560 Acres

Conservation Values

- Critical riparian habitat for steelhead and bull trout
- Intact floodplain and river channel
- Ferruginous hawk and yellow-billed cuckoo
- Mature cottonwood habitat, inland sand dunes
- White-tailed deer, mule deer and upland birds

Recreation Values

- Hunting
- Fishing
- Wildlife viewing

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Agency	Department of Fish and Wildlife
Estimated Acres	2,560
Existing Uses	Enrolled in the federal Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program – 125 acres riparian restoration; and 1,509 acres enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program. Past agriculture use.
Threats	Development
Intended Uses	Fish and wildlife conservation and recreation, part of the Blue Mountain Wildlife Area Complex.
Project Description	This acquisition includes 3.5 miles of Touchet River shoreline supporting critical riparian habitat for steelhead and bull trout. Intact floodplain and river channel. Includes 185 acres of riparian; 60 acres of mature cottonwood habitat; and 846 acres of grassland and dune habitat. Species include: steelhead, bull trout, ferruginous hawk and yellow billed cuckoo
Partners/Supporters	Pheasants Forever, Tristate Steelheaders, Richland Rod and Gun Club, Snake River Salmon Recovery Board, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation



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