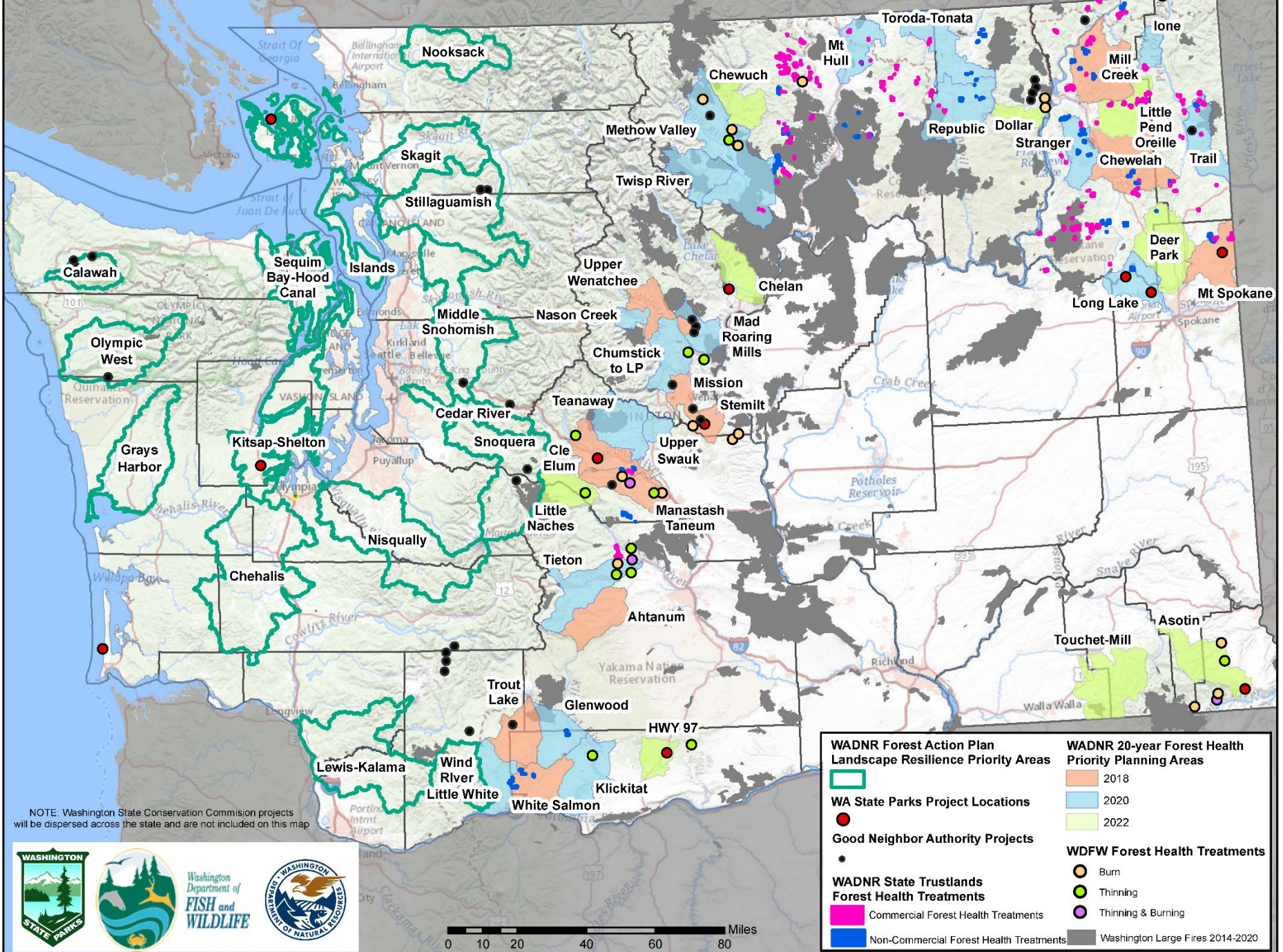


Joint Washington State Agency Proposed Forest Health Treatment Areas





Forest Health and Wildfire Fuels Reduction: 2021-2023 Budget Requests

The Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Washington State Parks, and Washington State Conservation Commission all have budget requests that support the 20-Year Forest Health Strategic Plan and address additional high-priority forest health projects across the state. With coordinated funding, these agencies can build on each other’s work, applying treatments such as mechanical forest thinning and prescribed fire more efficiently in our most fire-prone areas. Below is a breakdown that shows how each agency’s request supports forest health.

Department of Natural Resources

\$20 million in capital funds Treat up to 39,000 acres across state, federal, and private land, produce up to 42 million board feet of federal and state timber volume, generate \$8.4 million in revenue, and create an estimated 927 jobs across multiple sectors.

Department of Fish and Wildlife

\$6 million in capital funds The goal is to treat 14,000 acres or more per biennium, depending on market and weather conditions; increase the use of commercial and pre-commercial thinning and prescribed fire to promote forest health; and maintain forestry personnel and two prescribed fire crews.

Conservation Commission

\$7 million in capital funds
(Natural Resource Investments) Conservation districts offering cost-share assistance to landowners for priority conservation projects, including home hardening, fuel breaks, and forest thinning.

Washington State Parks

\$800,000 in capital funds High-priority forest health surveys and treatments to reduce wildfire, insect, and disease threats to State Parks and neighboring lands in eastern and western Washington. Total treatment goal of 1,000 acres per biennium.

Total Funding Request: \$33.8 million

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