

STITCHING TOGETHER POLLINATOR HABITAT INITIATIVES ACROSS OREGON

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Oregon Conservation Partnership

Pollinator Affinity Group

The goal of this group is to to work together, learn together and share ideas and resources so that we can collectively support the great diversity and abundance of native pollinators (bees, butterflies, bats and more). Proposed focus areas include:

- **Highlight monarchs** and the work we've been doing to help conserve this rapidly declining species; (Lead by Amanda Egertson);
- Highlight bees and **what land trusts are doing to help restore habitat and survey for native bee populations;**
- **Create a summit/meeting**, likely connected to another conference;
- Strategies for **restoration;**
- Strategies for **community engagement.**

AFFINITY GROUP INTEREST FORM



<https://beav.es/3ba>

Bees Require ...

*A suitable **nesting substrate** from which they can **access** adequate **forage** over the course of individual or colonial **life spans**.*



Butterflies require...

no nest (migration), no pollen,
larval host plant



Pine White (*Neophasia menapia*, Pieridae)



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APPENDIX 4

BUTTERFLY FOODPLANTS

This appendix lists the caterpillar foodplants of known, documented species of Oregon butterflies, organized by plant family. Several subtaxa that are of conservation concern are also included. Known plant genera used by the butterfly species are listed, but these may be from observations in other states. Pages listed refer to those where the butterfly is mentioned in the Insects as Plant Taxonomists chapter. Listed also are the allelochemicals present in the plants that are relevant to the plant-caterpillar interaction. Symbols used after butterfly species indicate the following:

- * specialist using only one family
- generalist using three or more families
- ^ species of conservation concern

BUTTERFLY SPECIES	COMMON NAME	PLANT GENERA	PAGE	CHEMICALS
GYMNOSPERMS				
CUPRESSACEAE				
<i>Callophrys gryneus</i> *	cedar hairstreak	<i>Calocedrus, Juniperus, Thuja</i>		
PINACEAE				
<i>Callophrys eryphon</i> *	western pine elfin	<i>Pinus</i>	29	terpenes
<i>Neophasia menapia</i> *	pine white	<i>Abies, Cedrus, Picea, Pinus, Pseudotsuga, Tsuga</i>	29	terpenes
MONOCOTS				
CYPERACEAE				
	dun skipper	<i>Carex</i>	43, 53	

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Bees vary greatly:

- Size
- Appearance
- Behavior
- Effectiveness as pollinators
- Floral choices

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species

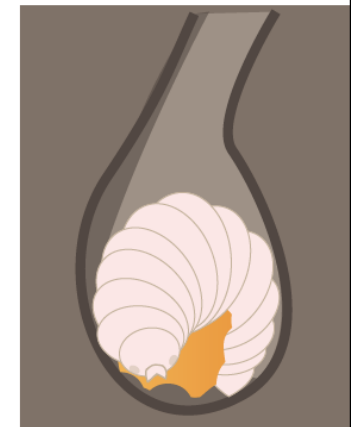
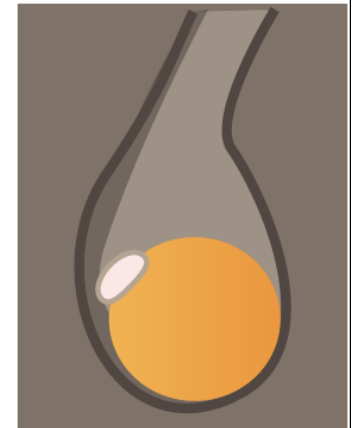
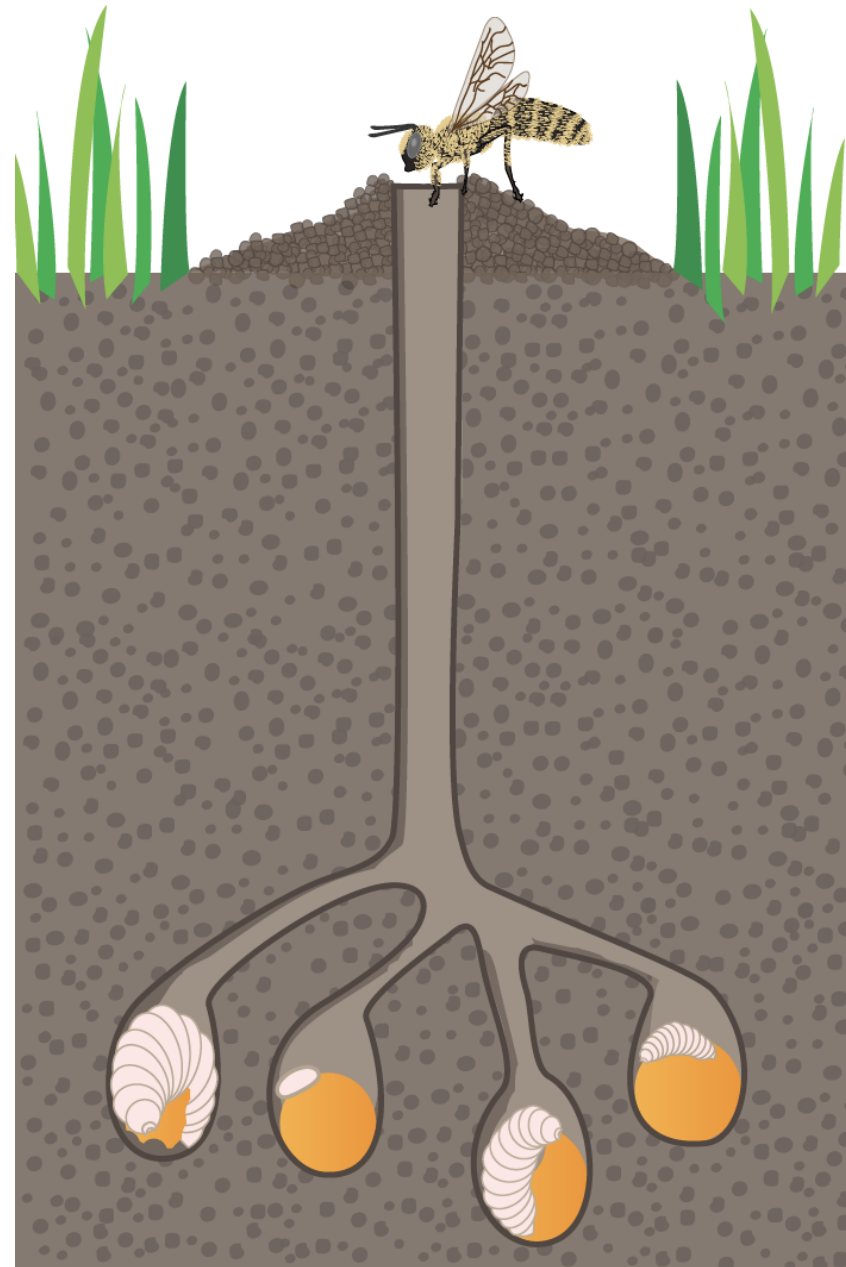


GROUND NESTING BEES

~70% of Oregon species



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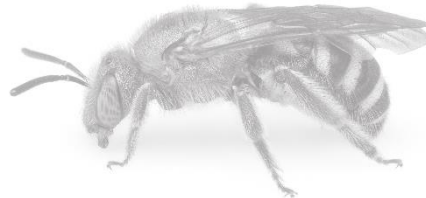






GROUND NESTING BEES

~30% of Oregon species



Orchard Mason Bee

Osmia lignaria

FAMILY: MEGACHILLIDAE

- A spring bee.
- Flies for 3-4 weeks.
- Excellent fruit tree pollinator.



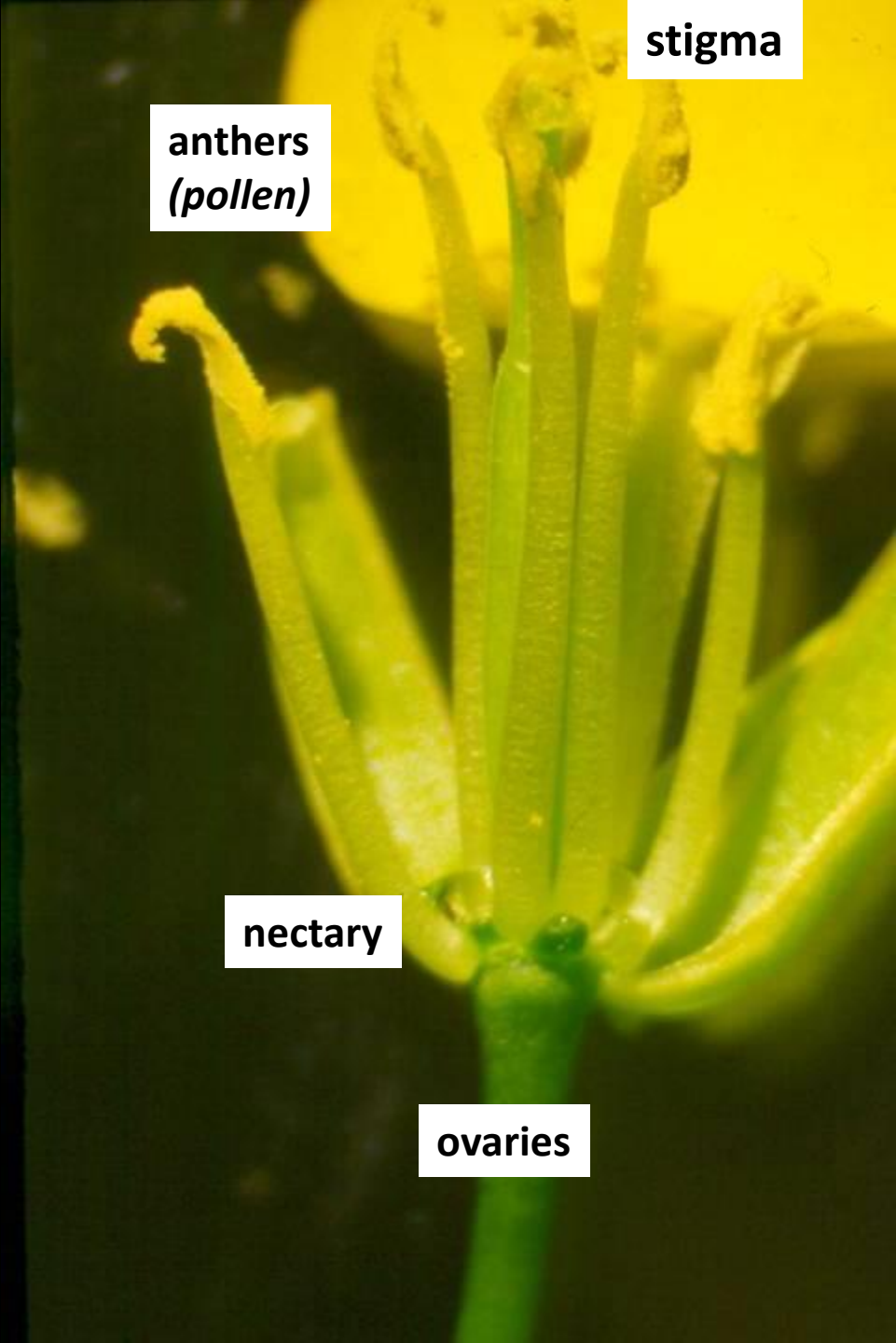
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stigma

anthers
(pollen)

nectary

ovaries



If its carrying pollen, it's a bee.
But not all bees carry pollen.



Pollen-Only Plant
California Poppy
Eschscholzia californica



Pollen-Only Plant
Lupine
Lupinus spp.



Black-eyed Susan: *Rudbeckia hirta* + Russian sage: *Perovskia atriplicifolia*





POLLEN SPECIALIZATION

Polylectic



Collect and digest pollen from a wide array of plants.

Oligolectic

Monolectic

Photo Lincoln Best

Oligolectic

Collects and digests pollen from a limited range of plant species

Melissodes on Rabbitbrush (*Ericameria* spp.)

Photo Lincoln Best

Oligolectic

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Diadasia on cactus

Monolectic

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Calliopsis on Rocky Mountain Bee Plant (*Cleome serrulate*)



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Dufourea maura on *Campanula*

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1. Lack of “plug and play” practices

CHALLENGES



seeds for bees®
Project *Apis m.*





Cover Crop Competition

Are you concerned about a blooming cover crop competing with your almond bloom?

The efficient, successful pollination of almonds is your top priority. An understandable concern of almond growers is whether a flowering nearby cover crop will divert honey bees away from the almond bloom. In-the-field research shows providing honey bees forage prior to almond bloom can actually **increase** the frames (or numbers of bees) and these bees are **healthier** and **more robust**. [1,2,3,4]



Pollinators are critical for almond production each spring, and the honeybee is the most important pollinator partner for almond growers. At Blue Diamond we want to protect and nourish honeybees so we promote healthy bees as well as a healthy crop of almonds.





COVER CROPS *for* HAZELNUT GROWERS

You may be eligible for financial assistance of between **75-100% cost share** to perform the following activities on your property:

- **Conservation Cover** from \$68-\$91/acre to establish permanent vegetation between rows
- **Cover Crop** from \$50-\$67/acre for winter erosion prevention
- **Mulching** from \$181-\$242/acre for winter erosion prevention
- **Herbaceous Weed Treatment** from \$13-\$18/acre for noxious weed control
- **Field Border** from \$789 –\$1053/acre to better filter surface water at field edges
- **Critical Area Planting** from \$463-\$618/acre to repair gully erosion and establish vegetation





Marcelo Moretti
Weed Science Horticulture



Gilia capitata





LACEY PHACELIA



Pollinator and Beneficial Insects for Mid-Columbia Basin Fruit Crops, Conservation Innovation Strategy





Emily Carlson, PhD student
Oregon State University



“For pollinator mixes to work on county roadsides the **seed mix has to be inexpensive** and seeding **can’t be a big departure from their existing ditch maintenance protocols**. And if it works in one county I can see it being picked up by neighboring counties, particularly when their residents drive by and see how beautiful the ditches look on the other side of the line.”

- Marie Vicksta - Yamhill Soil & Water Conservation District

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Pollinator Seed Trial

This trial site is seeding Yamhill County roadsides in a way that supports pollinators as well as preventing erosion, which benefits our community and the surrounding ecosystem. We have planted these test plots with a mix of native flowering plants and soil holding grasses in an effort to create a better roadside vegetation management strategy.



Please Do Not Spray.



YAMHILL SOIL & WATER
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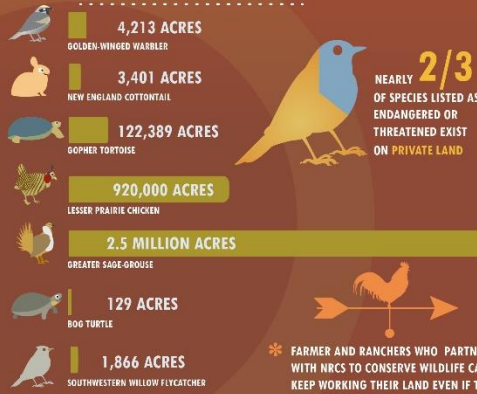
HELPS LANDOWNERS MAKE VOLUNTARY IMPROVEMENTS TO THEIR LANDS THAT BENEFIT WILDLIFE AND THEIR AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS.



ADDITIONAL HIDING COVER IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE SAGE-GROUSE NUMBERS BY **8-10%** WITHIN 2.1 MILLION ACRES



ACRES ENROLLED IN WORKING LANDS FOR WILDLIFE BY SPECIES BENEFITED





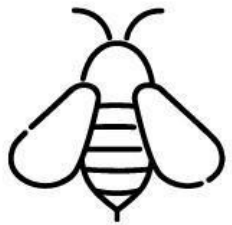
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“If we want to understand what's happening with bees, we have to be a lot more specific. We need basic maps of where species live in relation to habitats and **ecoregions**”

- **John Ascher** - National University Singapore

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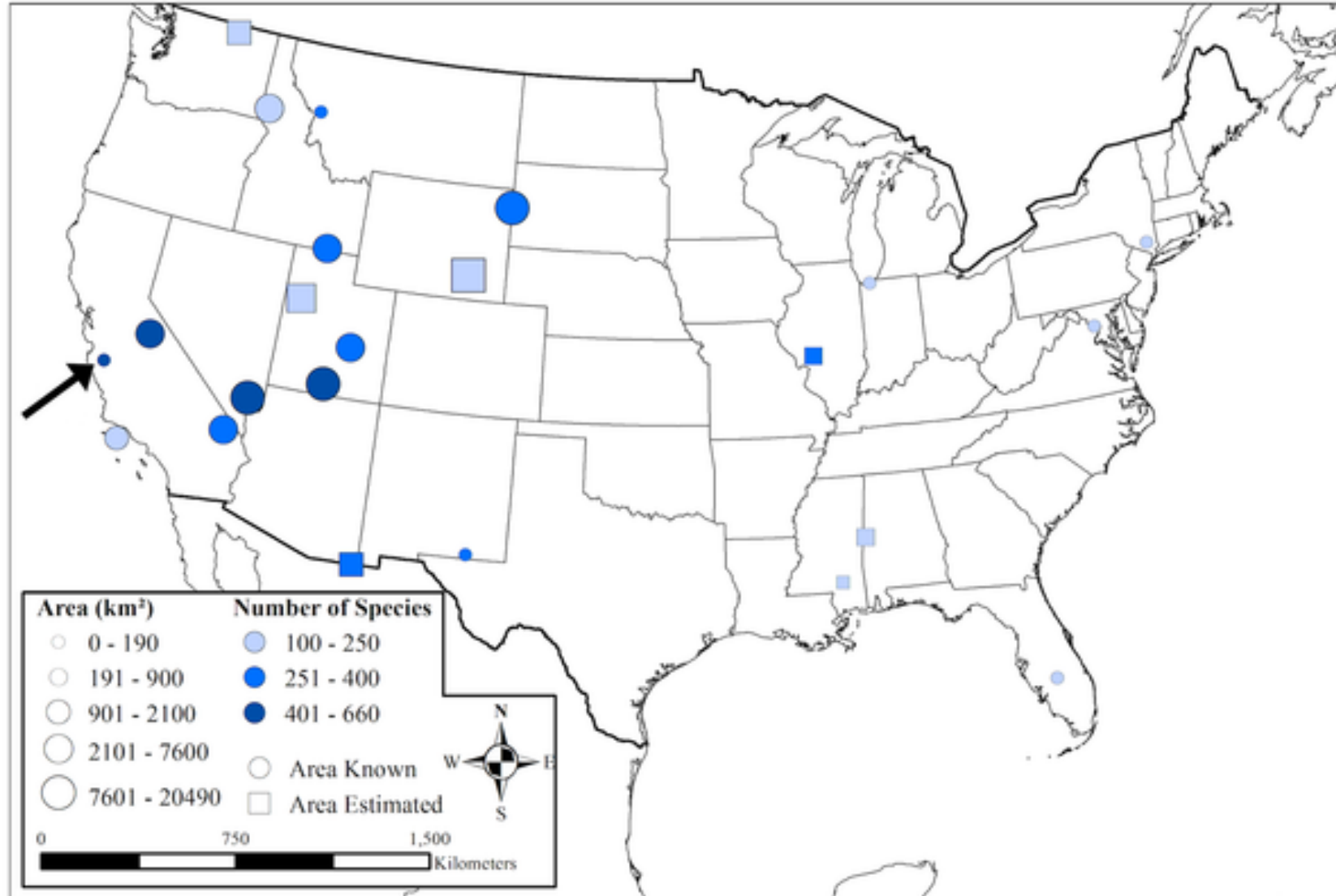
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INVENTORYING BEES IN US

Bee biodiversity density results for all known native bee inventory projects with at least 100 species in natural or semi-natural areas across the United States





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4. Lack of connection between initiatives.

STRONG REGIONAL INITIATIVES



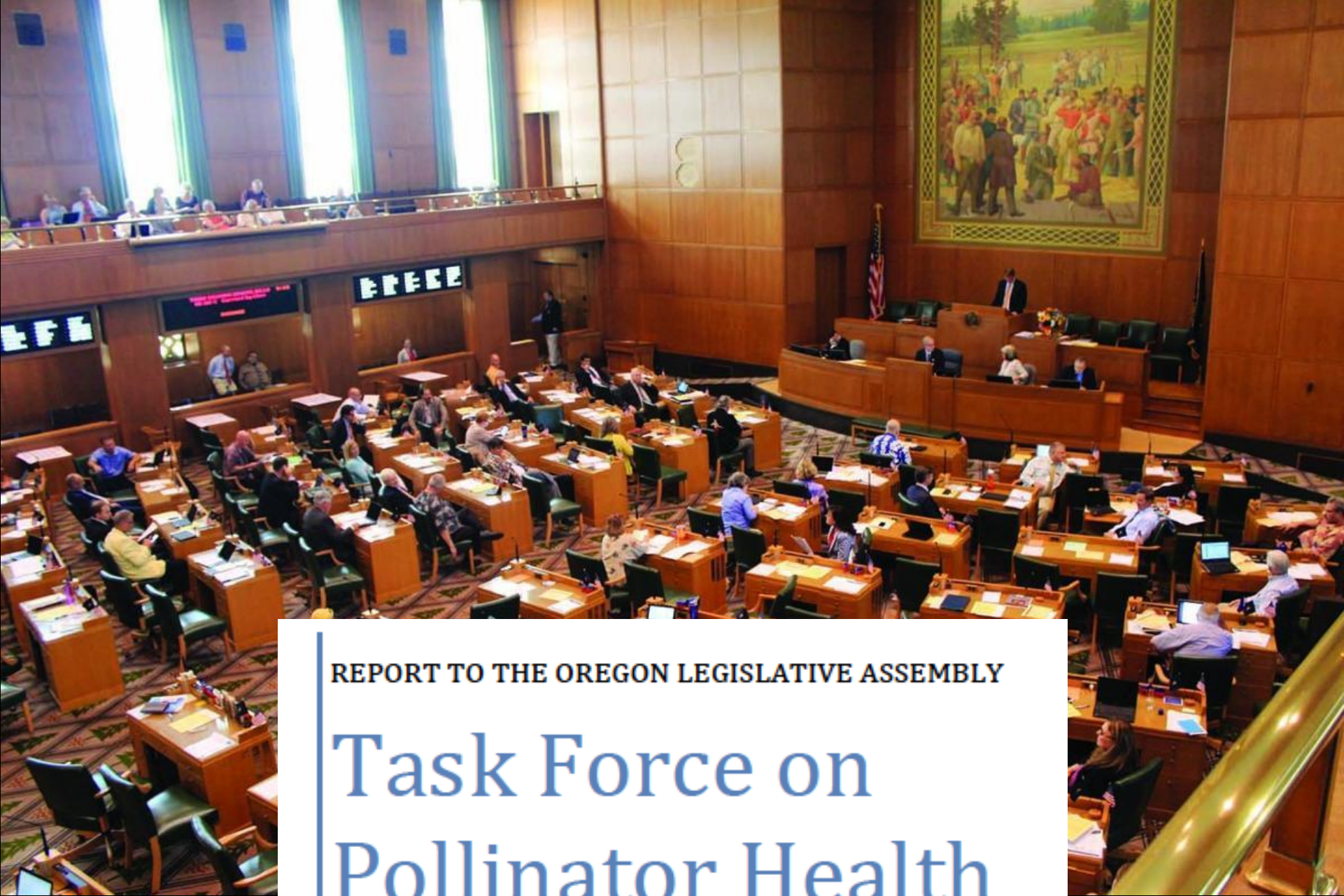
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June 2013, Wilsonville, OR





REPORT TO THE OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Task Force on Pollinator Health

November 2014

OREGON BEE LAW

enacted July 2015

ORS 634.045: Avoidance of adverse effects on pollinating insects

- “develop a pollinator health outreach and education plan”





STRATEGIC PLAN

A Strategic Plan for Keeping Oregon's
Bee Pollinators Healthy (2018-2020)
Released June 18, 2018



Goal 1: Protect bees from pesticide exposure

- Train 2000 pesticide applicators
- 4 Bee Protection Protocols
- 10,000 members of public reached

Goal 2: Increase pollinator habitat

- 35 Flagship Farms
- 20,000 members of public reached

Goal 3: Reduce impacts of diseases and pests on bees

- 500 samples for varroa, 100 bee disease samples
- Train 500 beekeepers on sampling and disease diagnosis

Goal 4: Expand our knowledge of Oregon bees

- 150 bee surveyors, 25 para-taxonomists
- 30,000 new records

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www.oregonbeeproject.org/strategic-plan



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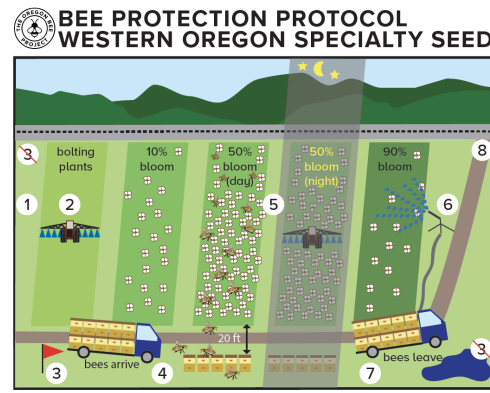
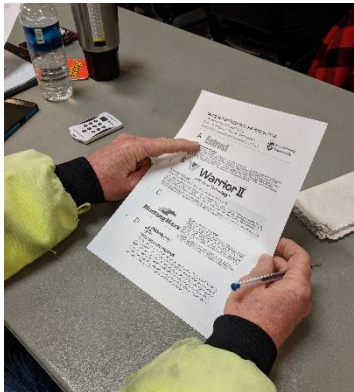
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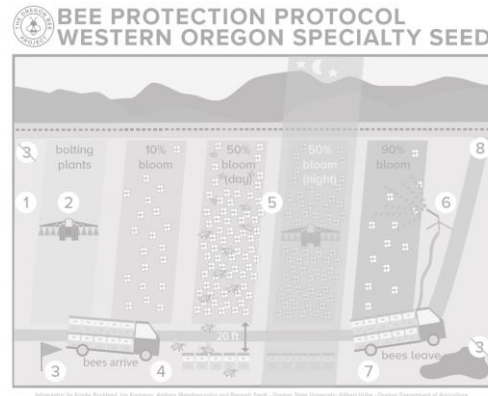
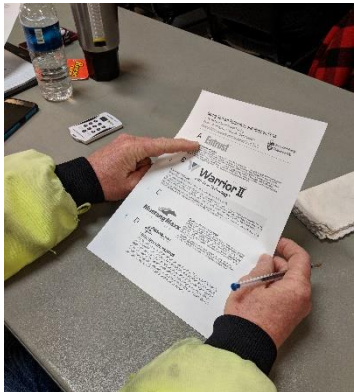
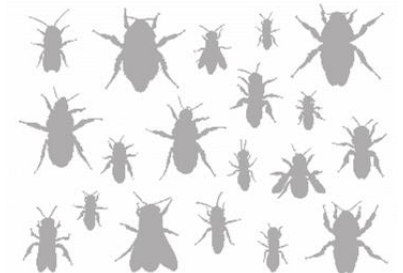
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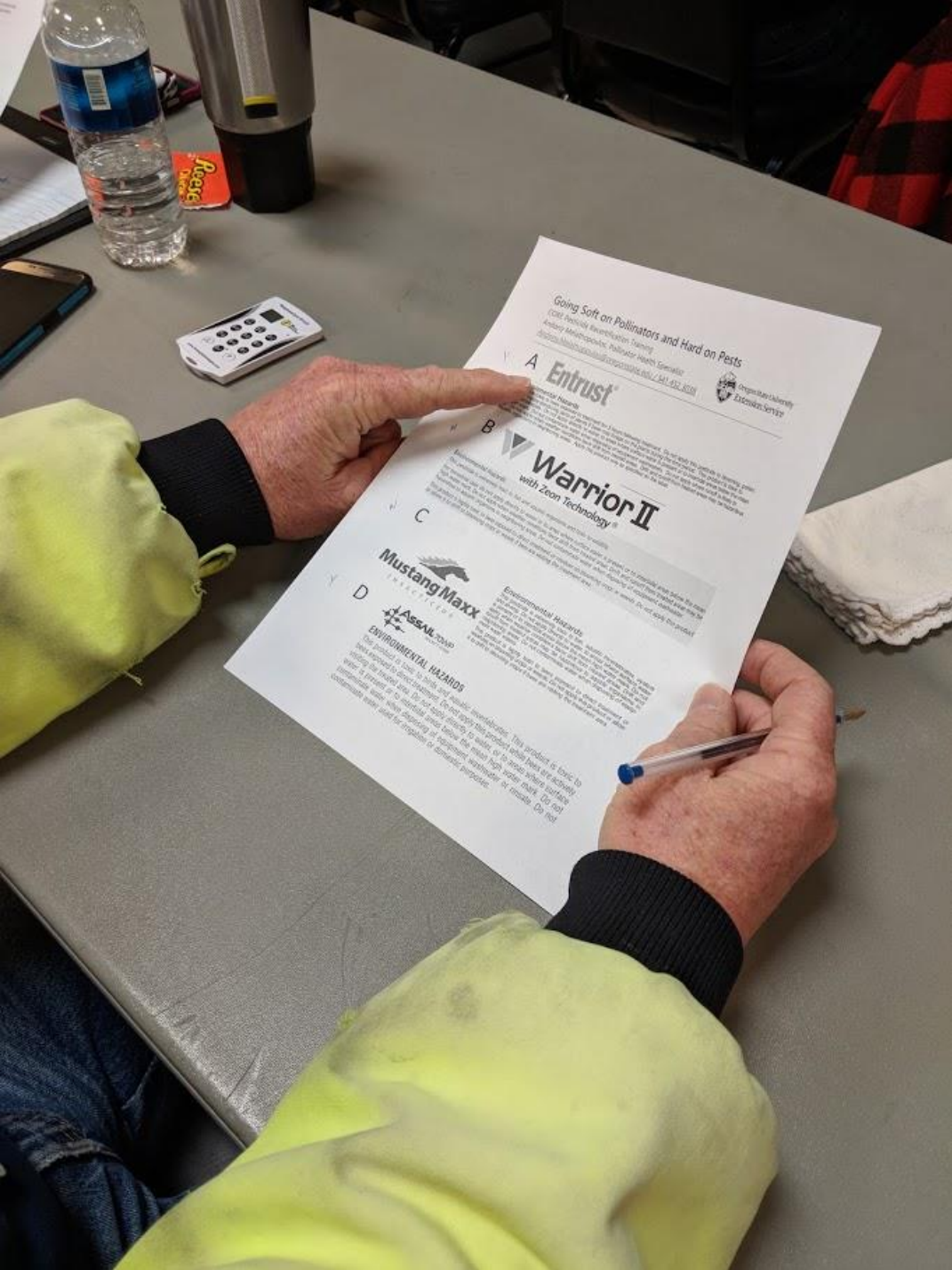


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WITH PESTS
AND
GOING SOFT
ON POLLINATORS

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Williams Ag Expo Room, OR
14 November 2017





GETTING *TOUGH* WITH PESTS AND GOING *SOFT* ON POLLINATORS



**6,700 trained
18 counties**

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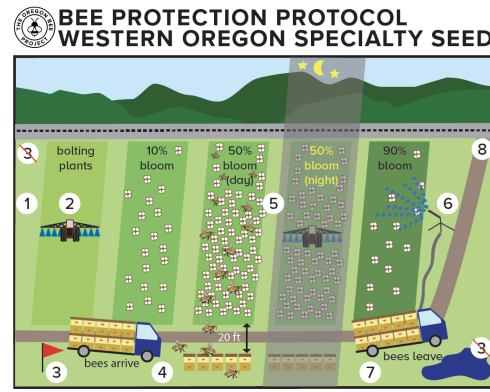
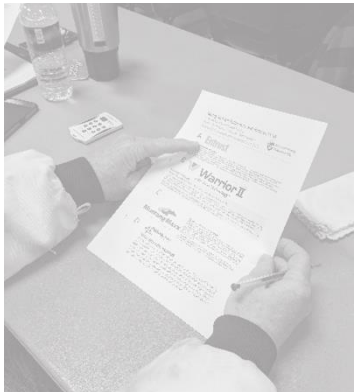
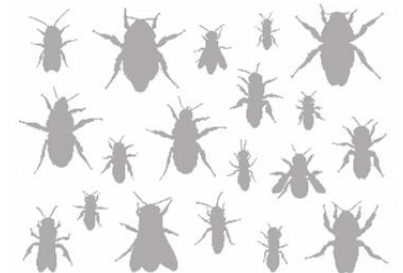
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***“There’s no easy money in agriculture,
and banging your fist on the table and
pointing your finger will put walls up.
I want to build **bridges.**”***

- Harry Vanderpool - Vanderpool Farms

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SPECIALTY SEED GROWERS OF WESTERN OREGON



OREGON CLOVER COMMISSION

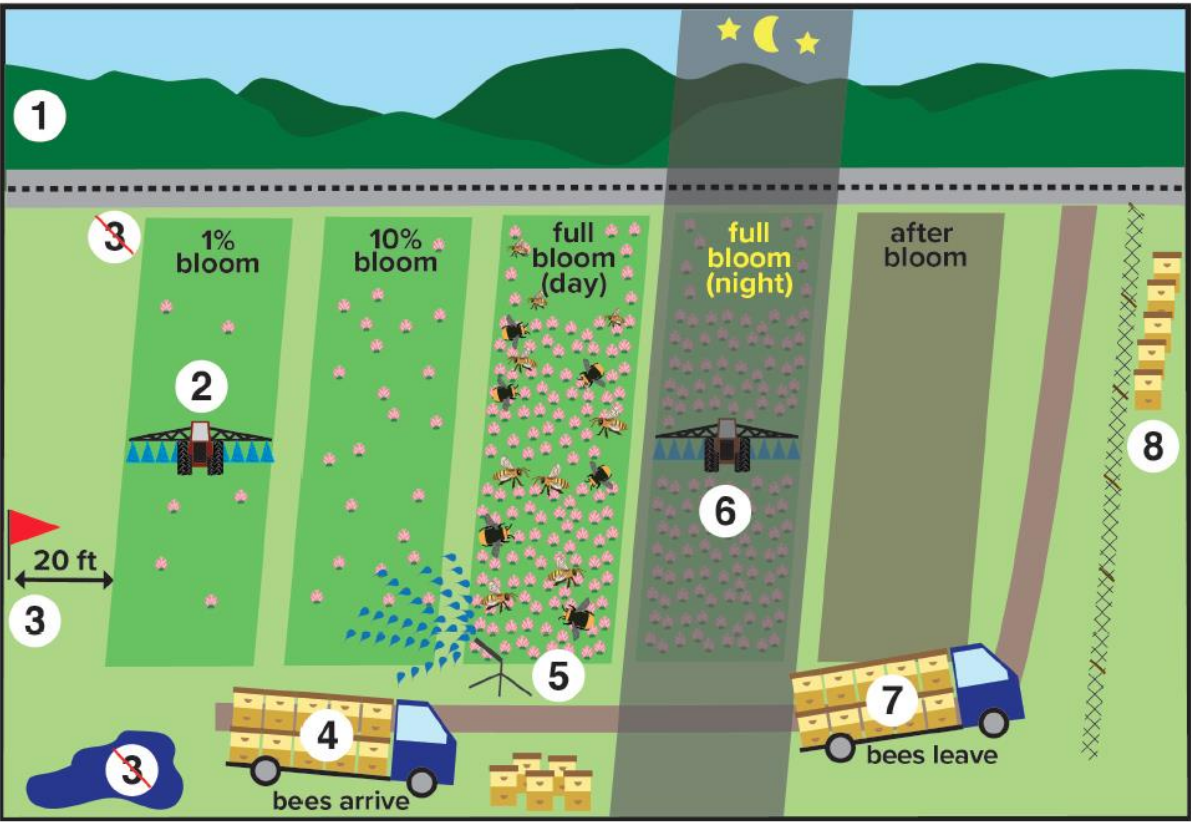
Getting specific about honey bees during pollination – driven by industry and supported by Extension.



BEE PROTECTION PROTOCOLS



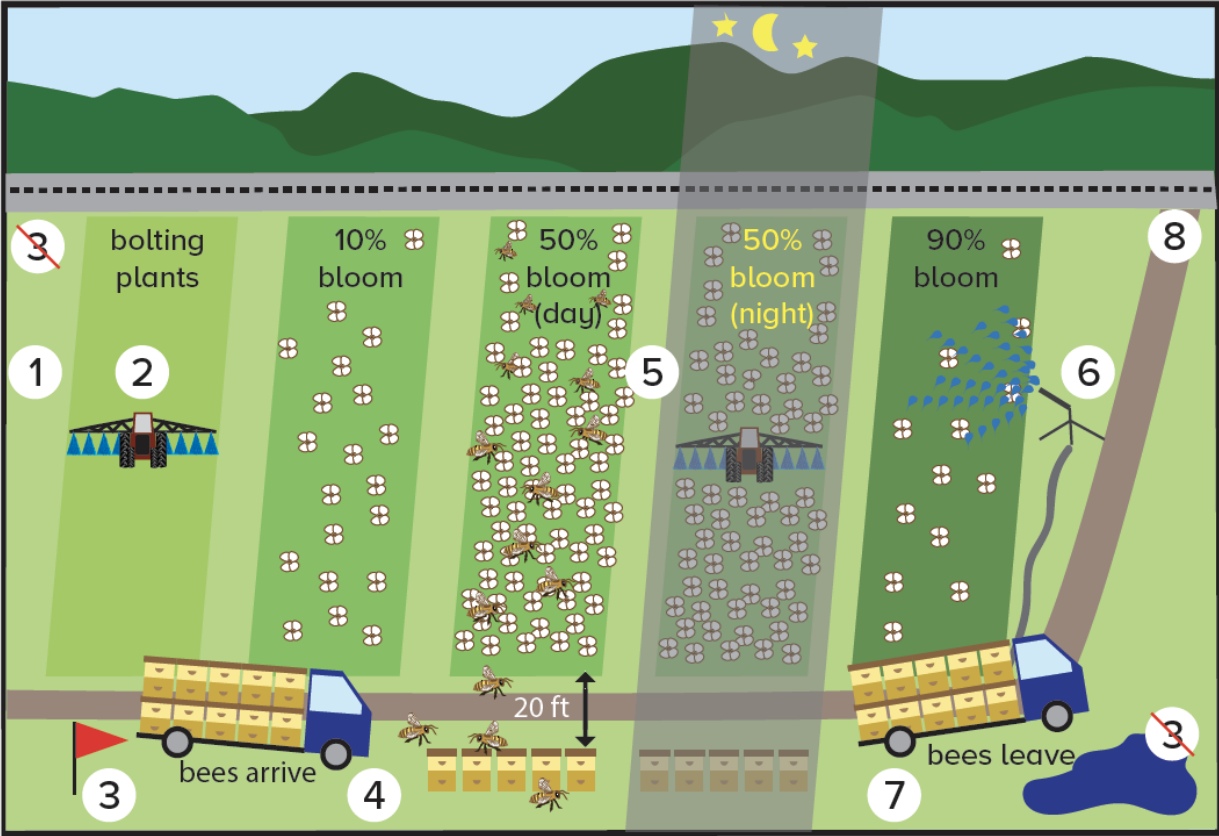
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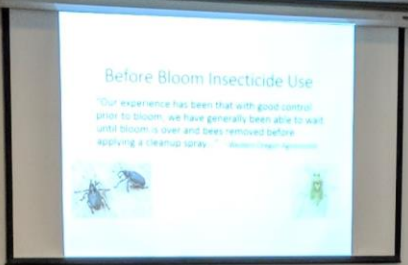
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BEE PROTECTION PROTOCOL WESTERN OREGON SPECIALTY SEED



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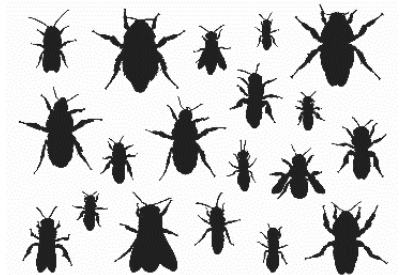
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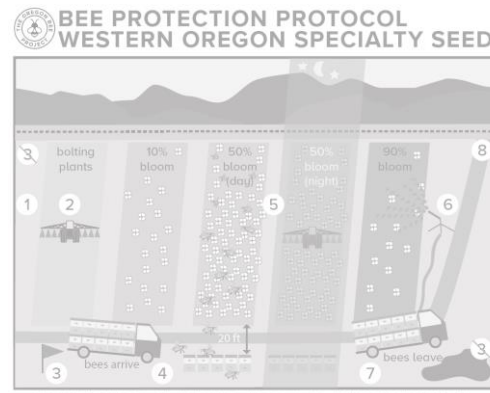
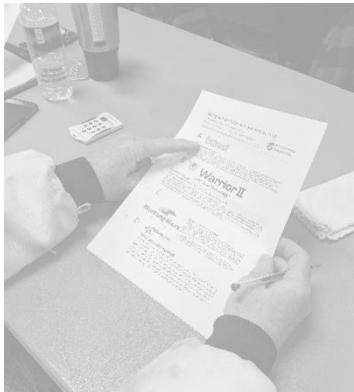
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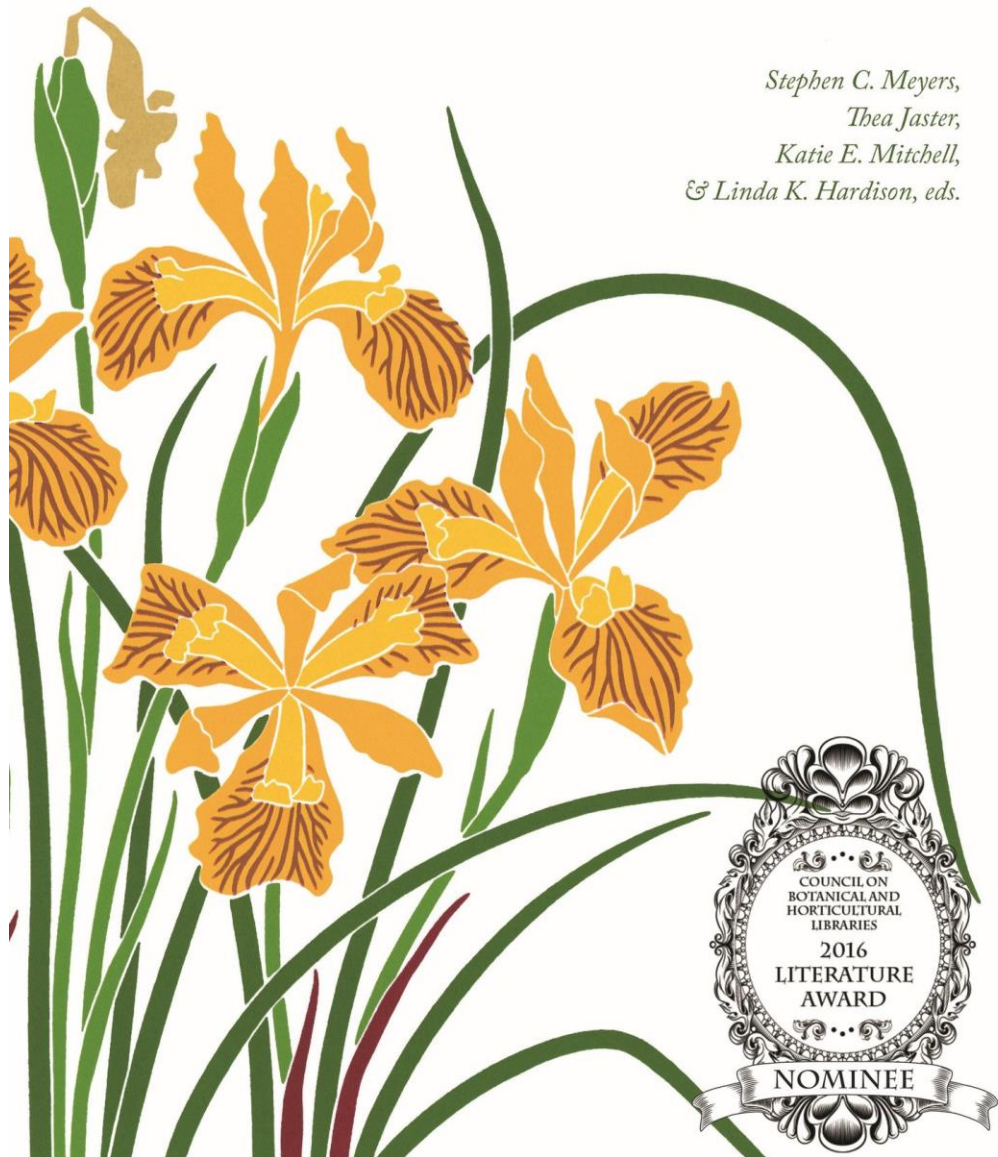
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Juncus tenuis Willdenow

Path rush, poverty rush, slender rush

Juncus tenuis Willd. var. *tenuis*



Plants perennial, 15–50 cm tall, caespitose, usually delicate, base usually green to brown, with 0–1(2) strong longitudinal stem ridges visible on a side. Leaves thin and wiry, blade flat and slightly inrolled, usually 1–8 mm on early season shoots, dirty white or translucent, scarious, acute or acuminate, auricles soft and thin. Inflorescences cymes, usually small, 1–6 cm; individual flowers often longer than internodes, bractlets subtending flowers usually acute (blunt). Flowers tepals 6, 3–4.1 mm, green to reddish, tips acuminate; stamens 6, filaments 0.6–1.2 mm, anthers usually 0.4–0.6(0.8) mm; styles 0.1–0.3(0.5) mm. Capsules usually 2.5–3 mm, more than 75% the length of, and shorter than the tepals, pale brown, apex usually blunt (acute), not crested, 1-chambered. Seeds 0.4–0.5 × 0.2–0.25 mm, apiculate. $2n=40, 80$.

Shores, swales, springs, dune hollows, wet woods, marshes, damp paths, ditches, cranberry farms, moist disturbed sites. 0–1800 m. BW, Casc, CR, Est, Lava, Sisk, WV. CA, NV, ID, WA; throughout most of North America. Native.

Juncus tenuis is usually much smaller than *Juncus antheletus*. The blunt unridged capsules separate *J. tenuis* from *J. confusus*, *J. occidentalis*, and *J. trilobularis*.

Juncus tiehmii Ertter

Tiehm's dwarf rush



Plants annual, 0.5–6 cm tall, unbranched. Leaves capillary, basal. Inflorescences 1–4(7) flowers in a terminal cluster, flowers subtended by 2 bractlets, tips acute. Flowers tepals usually 4, pale green or pink; stamens 2(3), filaments 0.6–0.9 mm, anthers 0.3–0.4 mm; styles 0.1–0.3 mm. Capsules usually elliptic to oblong, equaling or longer than the tepals, pale green or pink. Seeds up to 7 per chamber, 12–30 per capsule, 0.3–0.5 × 0.2–0.3 mm, longitudinally striate (at 10×). $2n=34$.

Damp depressions, stream banks, sunny floodplains. 1000–2000 m. BR, ECas. CA, NV, ID, WA; south to Mexico. Native.

Plants with few seeds per capsule have larger seeds, and thus some specimens might suggest *J. capillaris*, but there is no overlap. *Juncus capillaris* always has fewer than 10 seeds per capsule.

Juncus torreyi Coville

Torrey's rush



Plants perennial, 30–100 cm tall, rhizomatous, rhizomes elongate, usually swollen or tuberous, at least at some nodes, perennial. Leaves round, hollow, septate, often stiff and divaricate; auricles 1–3.5 mm. Inflorescences 1–23 dense head-like clusters, clusters globose with 26–80 flowers. Flowers tepals 6, brown, greenish or reddish, tips acuminate; stamens 6, filaments 0.6–1.2 mm, anthers 0.4–0.8 mm; styles 0.1–0.2 mm. Capsules equaling or longer than the tepals, pale brown to dark brown, gradually tapered to acuminate tips, 1-chambered. Seeds ellipsoid to ovoid, 0.4–0.5 × 0.2–0.3 mm, apiculate. $2n=40$.

Shores, swales, springs, ditches. 50–1300 m. BW, Col, Lava,

Owy. CA, NV, ID, WA; across the US and southern Canada, south to Mexico. Native.

This is primarily an eastern Oregon species, with large globose clusters, peculiar swollen rhizome nodes, and spreading stiff foliage.

Juncus triglumis Linnaeus var. *albescens* Lange (p. 287)

Three-flowered rush



Plants perennial, 5–30 cm tall, caespitose. Leaves mostly basal, round, hollow, more or less septate, very thin, 0.3–0.6 mm wide; auricles 0–1 mm. Inflorescences 1 small terminal cluster of 1–3(5) flowers, often partially hidden by sheathing base of inflorescence bracts; flowers without subtending bractlets. Flowers tepals 6, white to pale brown, tips acute to obtuse, hooded, blunt; stamens 2–3 mm, anthers 0.5–0.8 mm; styles 0.3–0.4 mm. Capsules longer than the tepals, pale brown to dark brown, 1-chambered. Seeds narrowly ellipsoid to linear, 1.3–2.8 × 0.2–0.3 mm, tails 0.4–0.8 mm, 0.5–1 times as long as seed body. $2n=132$.

Limy shorelines and marshes in the high peaks of the Willowa Mountains. 2300–2400 m. BW. ID; across North America; eastern Russia. Native.

Juncus triglumis is a well-marked species with a small terminal flower cluster, pale flowers, and tailed seeds. Some study is needed to clarify the subspecies in North America. The septate leaf character is difficult to detect in some specimens. The leaves are minutely hollow, usually with two longitudinal tubes.

Juncus trilobularis Zika

Foothill rush



Plants perennial, 10–78 cm tall, caespitose, lacking strong stem ridges. Leaves thin and wiry, blade flat and slightly inrolled; auricles soft and thin distally, 0.3–3 mm, dull, rounded or acute, dirty white. Inflorescences cymes, 2–20 cm, usually open; bractlets subtending flowers acute to acuminate, often aristate. Flowers tepals 6, 3.3–5.1 mm, greenish to pale brown, nearly concolorous, tips acuminate, outer tepals distinctly longer than inner tepals; stamens 6, filaments 0.5–0.8 mm, anthers (0.6)0.8–1.7 mm; styles 0.3–1 mm. Capsules 2.8–4.1 mm, shorter than the tepals, pale brown to dark brown, apex truncate to notched (acute), crested, 3-chambered. Seeds 0.4–0.6 × 0.2–0.3 mm, apiculate, reticulate.

Seasonally damp meadows, springs, shores, creek banks, moist open forest, ditches. 300–1900 m. BW, Col, ECas, Owy, Sisk, Casc. CA, ID, NV, WA. Native.

This is an uncommon species found east of the Cascade Range and in the Siskiyou Mountains that has long been confused with *Juncus brachyphyllus*, a plant of grasslands and glades in the Midwest, which occurs no further west than Nebraska.

Juncus uncialis Greene

Inch-high rush, twelfth rush



Plants annual, 0.3–3.5 cm tall, unbranched, stems not thickened below flowers. Leaves capillary, basal. Inflorescences 1 terminal flower, subtended by solitary bractlet, base encircling stem, tip truncate. Flowers tepals

"Thomas Jefferson told Lewis and Clark to go out there and identify everything. Well, it's been two hundred years, and it's high time we had an inventory. In a way, it is fitting that this should be such a grassroots sort of thing. Instead of a huge agency that could have put a few million into a Flora Project, but hasn't and won't, it is heartening to see that many dedicated people will get the job done."

- Jerry Igo, naturalist; Moiser, OR on the Oregon Flora





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Collection Sites and Permits

Astragalus

Calochortus

Cirsium

Cleome

Cryptantha

Cucurbita

Dalea

Ericameria

Grindelia

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Opuntia

Penstemon

Phacelia

Potentilla

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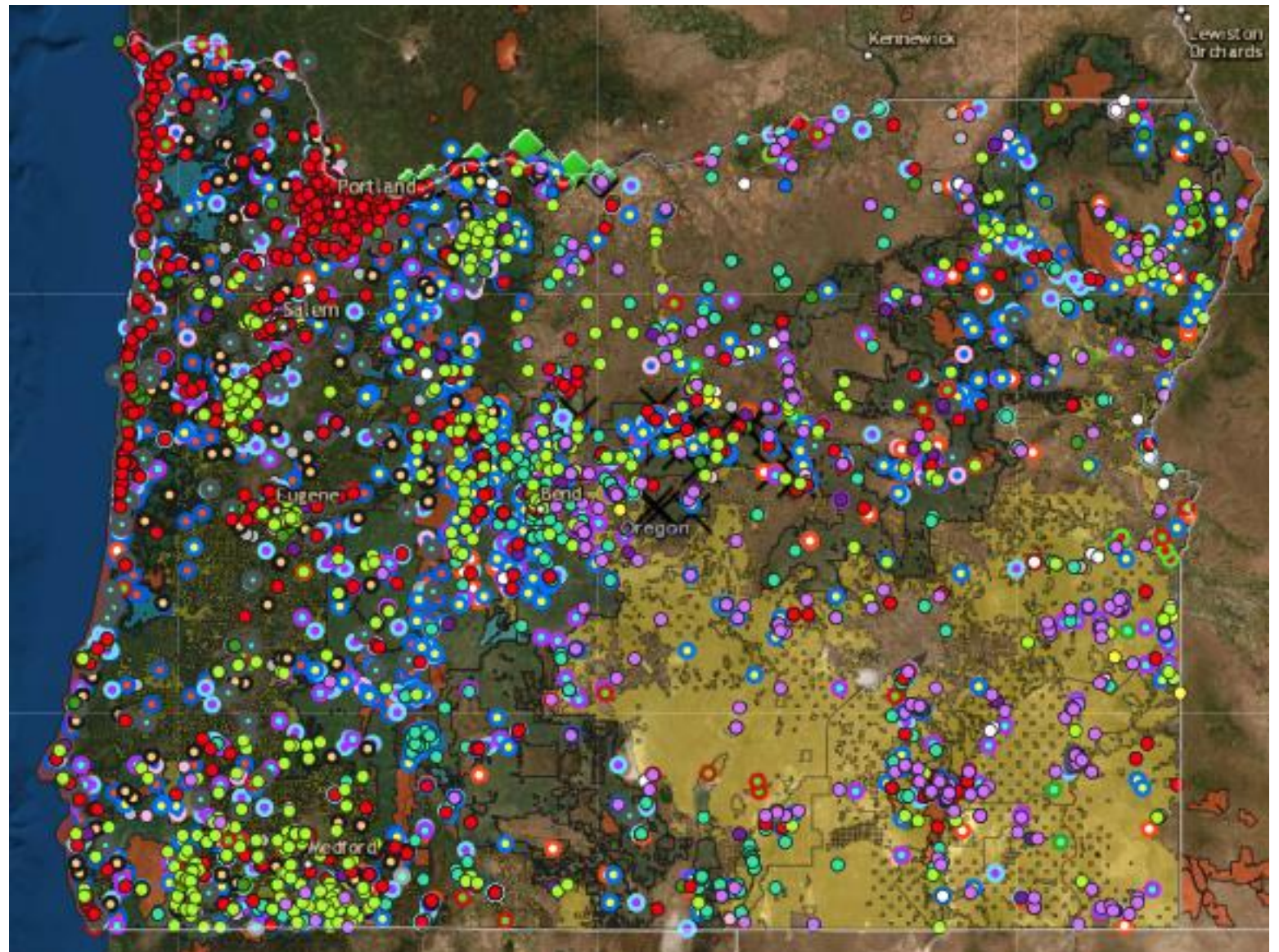
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Stephanomeria

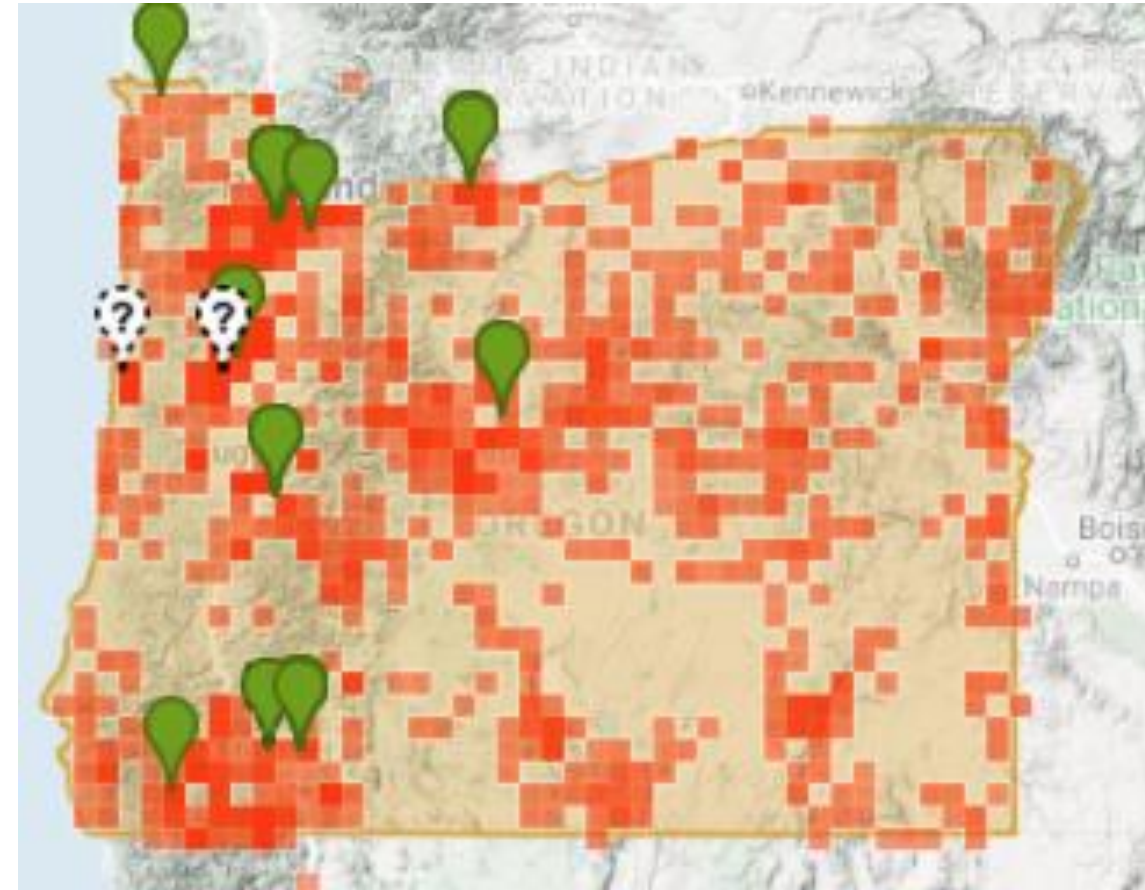
Vaccinium

Vicia



GEOGRAPHIC SPREAD

Sample event and number bees caught by county



Stats

Totals

10449

Observations »

1092

Species »

162

People »

Most Observations

 pandg
1149 observations

 molfamily
1045 observations


 brianalindh
827 observations

 judithmaxwell
745 observations


 ellenwatrous
634 observations

Most Species

 molfamily
257 species

 ellenwatrous
250 species

 lohump
228 species

 brianalindh
186 species

 pandg
158 species

Most Observed Species

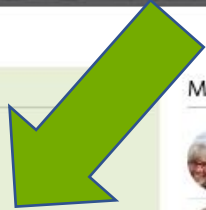
 Rubber Rabbitbrush
254 observations

 Common Dandelion
121 observations

 Common Cat's-Ear
111 observations

 Common Woolly Sunflower
111 observations

 Human
103 observations

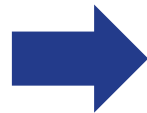




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Andrena vir. mellea ♀

2019

Andrena ♂

2-5-2021
DB J. FAN BROWN

2019

2019

Andrena ♂

7-2021
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Hyleus ♂

2-5-2021 J. FAN BROWN

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Melissodes ♀

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HIGH QUALITY RECORDS



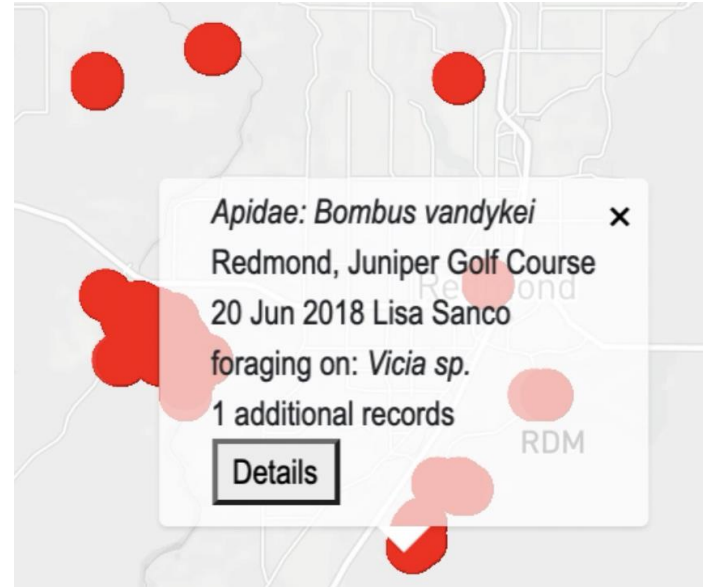
Hoplitis emarginata male sunning



Atoposmia oregona on *Penstemon davidsoni*



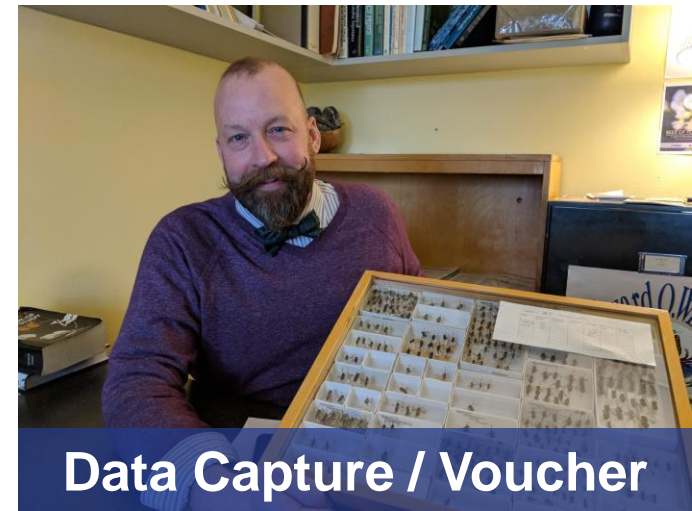
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11,046 OCCURRENCES

1 CITATION

These data are the observational data from the 2018 Oregon Bee Atlas native bee surveys. All of the records represent specimens caught in the field, pinned, labelled, and identified by experts. Voucher specimens were deposited in the Oregon State Arthropod Collection for all nominative taxa sampled from as many locations as feasible.

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With coordinates

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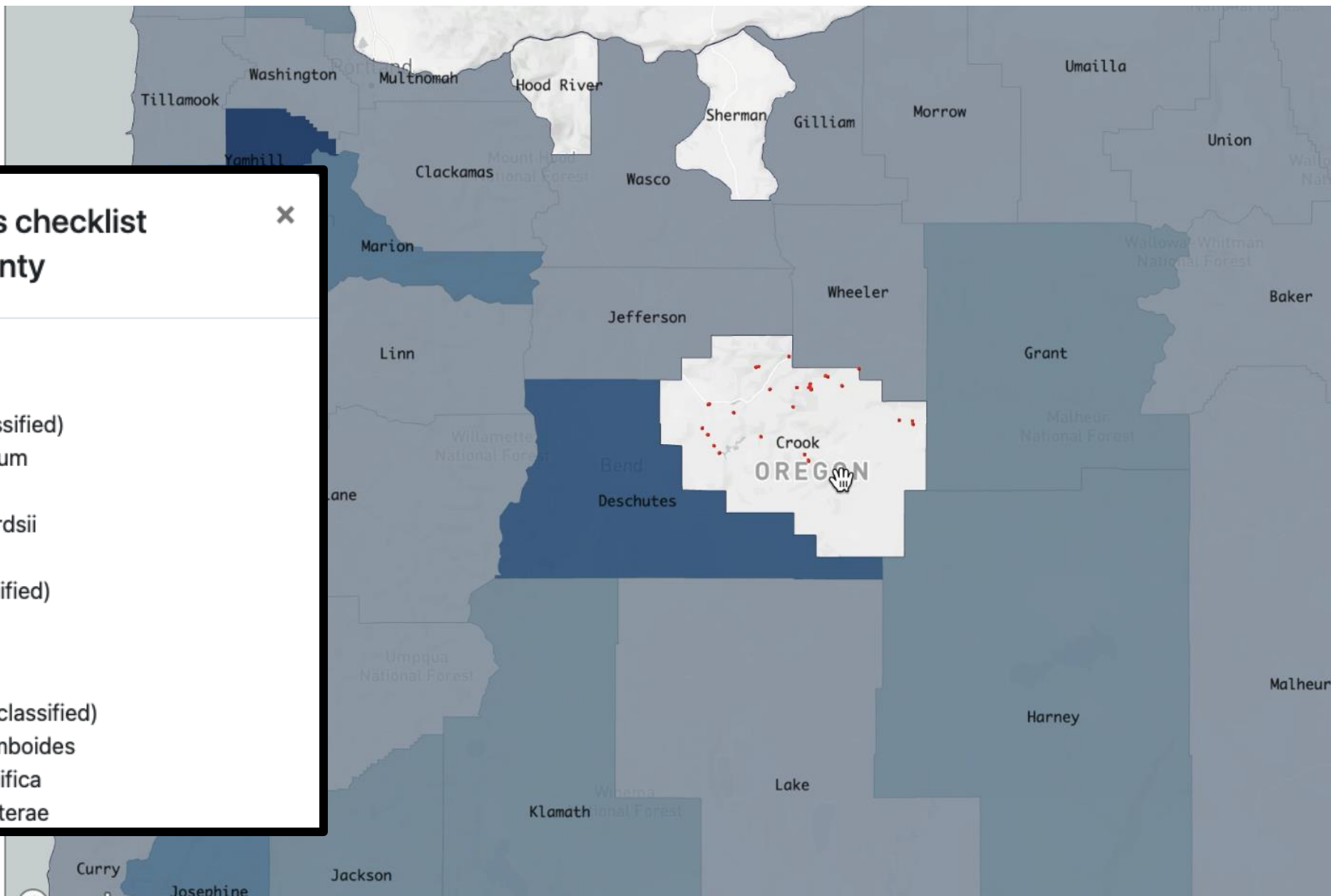


INTERACTIVE BEE ATLAS

Crook county

360 specimens

44 locations



OBA bee species checklist Lane County



- Andrenidae
 - Andrena
 - Andrena (unclassified)
 - Andrena prunorum
 - Calliopsis
 - Calliopsis edwardsii
 - Perdita
 - Perdita (unclassified)
- Apidae
 - Anthophora
 - Anthophora (unclassified)
 - Anthophora bomboides
 - Anthophora pacifica
 - Anthophora porterae

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TRAIN & ENGAGE

DECISION-
MAKING
SUPPORT

INNOVATORS

NATIVE BEE
SURVEY

Pesticide
applicators

Land
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Beekeepers

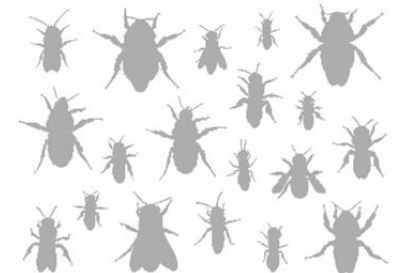
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Public

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Bee
Protection
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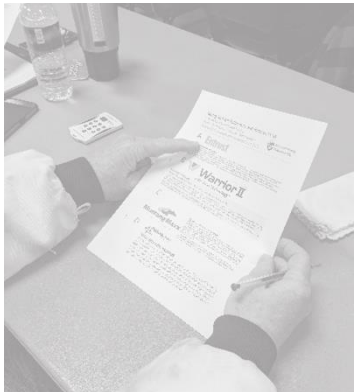
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woodland
POLLINATOR
STEWARDS



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PROTECT BEES READ PESTICIDE LABELS

Five steps to reading a pesticide label to determine how risky a treatment is to bees.

- 1. OPEN THE LABEL**, and look for the **ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS** section.
- 2. BEE TOXIC PESTICIDES** will be indicated by the phrase **"TOXIC"** or **"HIGHLY TOXIC TO BEES"**. If toxic, **DO NOT APPLY TO FLOWERING PLANTS!**
- 3. SOME BEE TOXIC PESTICIDES** BREAK DOWN IN A FEW HOURS. Look out for the words:
 - 1. "FORAGING" or "VISITING" - means bees forage on the plants.
 - 2. "ACTIVELY FORAGING" or "ACTIVELY VISITING" - means bees are actively foraging on the plants.
 - 3. "DO NOT APPLY TO FLOWERING PLANTS!" - means bees are actively foraging on the plants.
- 4. BEE ADVISORY BOX** - means bees are actively foraging on the plants.
- 5. USE DIRECTIONS** - means bees are actively foraging on the plants.

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A mix of pollinator cover crop plants grown by members of the Specialty Seed Growers of Western Oregon.

Waggle Dances
The Waggle Dance is the familiar wavelike honey bee. Brought from Europe to the Americas in the 1800s, she lives in the most complex society of any bee in Oregon. She can have 40,000 sisters, all sharing the same home called "the hive." She is also the only bee that makes honey. The taste and color of honey varies depending on what flowers she visits. Oregon has some delicious honey. In addition, she uses a waggie dance to give her sisters directions to the best flowers in the neighborhood.



Grumpbee
The Grumpbee is a large, fuzzy bee that looks like a fuzzy ball. It has a grumpy and kind nature. Some people even call it the "fuzzy ball" or "fuzzy bee". There are over 200 species of grumpbees in Oregon, making it the biggest family in the state. This specific bee was found by bee volunteer Daria Benenavente, in her efforts to help inventory all the bee species in Oregon.



The Salty Dog
The Salty Dog is also known as the Salt Dog. Although she has heavy yellow-green stripes, she really has more of a tough place, she has red legs in Oregon. Thousands of Salty Dogs build their hives underground. Each female Salt Dog lays 20-30 eggs and lays one egg on each leaf. The Salty Dog is a very important pollinator for many plants and trees in Oregon. The Salty Dog is a very important pollinator for many plants and trees in Oregon.



Bumbles
Bumble is a bumble bee species. There are many species of Bumble bees in Oregon. The most common Bumble bee, which is found in most Oregon Bumble bees, is called the Common Bumble bee. Bumble bees are very important pollinators for many plants and trees in Oregon. They are also very important for the honey industry. Bumble bees are very important for the honey industry.



The Mason
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STITCHING TOGETHER:

1. What is the Pollinator Affinity Group
2. What is pollinator habitat
3. Challenges to pollinator habitat
4. Oregon Bee Project Strategic Plan
- 5. Stitching efforts together**

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STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-2025

Goal 2: Increase habitat

Objectives:

2.1 Increase habitat: Increase the amount of pollinator habitat in the state by 100 acres per year.

2.2 Expand training: Provide land managers and the public with a greater variety of training opportunities that are coordinated across different agencies and nonprofits.

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STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-2025 (proposed)

Activities:

- **Train licensed pesticide applicators** on the principles of vegetation management to promote pollinator habitat.
- Develop a **Pollinator Advocate curriculum** to provide volunteers the skills and outreach resources for educating the public on how to create pollinator habitat. Resources will include pollinator seed mix packs of annual and perennial seed mix packages suitable for urban pollinator habitat.
- Develop an **online portal** that enables partners in Soil and Water Conservation Districts, NRCS offices, and non-profits to log the impacts of their training.
- Hold an **annual meeting of state agencies**, regional Soil and Water Conservation Districts, seed producers, to set sector level targets for develop project concepts for state and federal grants.

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