Voluntary Approaches

Deschutes Watershed Land Use Analysis

Work Group

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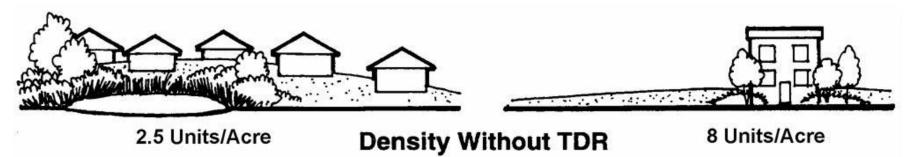
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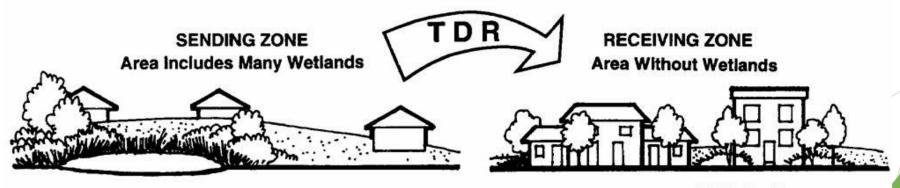
- Voluntary Acquisition
 - ► Fee simple purchase
- Conservation Easements
- Purchase of development rights
- Likely Changes
 - Increased funding for conservation



Conservation Tools

- ► Transfer of Development Rights
- Likely Changes
 - Expand to include ecologically important areas, collaborate with cities





Conservation Tools

- Financial incentives
 - ► Low cost loans or grants
 - Open space tax program
 - Current use tax
- Voluntary Stewardship Program
- Potential Tools
 - Payments for Ecosystem Services
 - Clean water
 - ► Carbon sequestration
- Likely Changes
 - Increased funding for programs



Restoring Degraded Areas

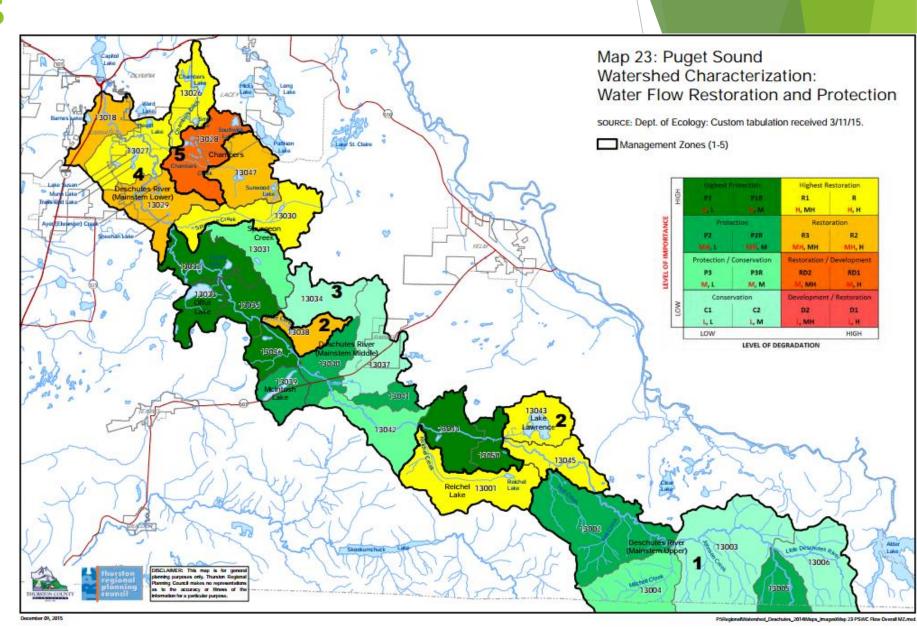
- Collaboration with landowners
 - Revegetation
 - Removal of shoreline armoring and fish barriers
 - Engineering stream channels and large wood
 - Financial compensation (i.e. CREP)
- Partnerships
 - Diverse interest groups and organizations
- Likely Changes
 - Increased funding for restoration



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Priority Areas

Focus on areas identified for protection or conservation, and restoration that are upstream of an area identified for protection (zones 1, 2, and 3), and Spurgeon Creek



Education and Outreach

- Providing information to residents of the watershed
- Activities that can improve water quality and wildlife habitat
 - Picking up pet waste
 - Maintaining existing trees
 - Participation in restoration activities
 - ► Rain gardens and water-wise gardening
 - Providing wildlife habitat
 - ► Food
 - Water
 - Cover
 - Places to raise young
- Likely Changes
 - Increased funding



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