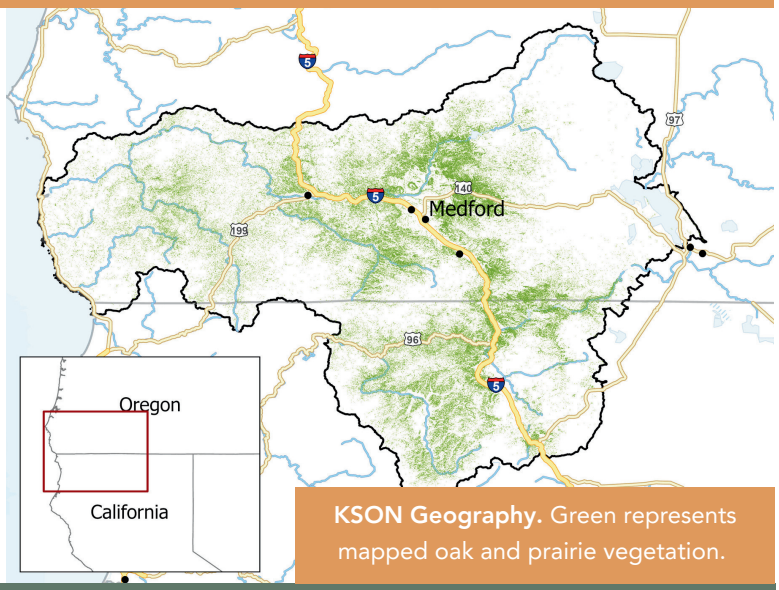
Klamath Siskiyou Oak Network

About the Partnership: The Klamath Siskiyou Oak Network (KSON) is a regional partnership working to conserve oak habitats on private and public lands in southern Oregon and northern California. KSON integrates social, economic, and eco-cultural values in restoration; provides a forum for education and community engagement; fosters applied science, monitoring, and adaptive management in oak restoration; and develops and promotes best management practices.



KSON Geography. Green represents mapped oak and prairie vegetation.

Meet the Partners:

Bureau of Land Management, Inter-Tribal Ecosystem Restoration Partnership, Klamath Bird Observatory, Lomakatsi Restoration Project, Natural Resources Conservation Service, The Nature Conservancy, Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, Pacific Birds Habitat Joint Venture, The Understory Initiative, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, and Southern Oregon Forest Restoration Collaborative


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Conservation Impact: The KSON geography has reached a climate tipping point, with Douglas-fir mortality signaling a clear departure from historic conditions and foreshadowing major vegetation transitions. Climate models project more acres suitable for oak habitats as conifer suitability declines, but this shift will not happen on its own.

KSON has a proven track record of delivering landscape-scale restoration through collaborative partnerships that integrate Tribal knowledge, western science, and adaptive management. Over the past 15 years, partners have restored nearly 10,000 acres of oak habitat, supported by over $20 million in investment. Our priorities are to reduce conifer encroachment, restore fire, increase resilience, and amplify the urgency of our collective work.

Shovel-Ready KSON Projects Ready for Investment



Golden Oaks Initiative

Estimated Impact: 6,000 acres **Estimated Cost:** $15M

This initiative addresses two high-priority threats—fire exclusion and conifer encroachment—while responding to accelerating Douglas-fir mortality on private and federal lands. Restoration actions include ecological thinning, slash treatment, prescribed fire, noxious weed management, and native understory restoration through collaboration with Tribes, federal land managers, and private landowners.



Scott Valley Oak Initiative

Estimated Impact: 1,000 acres **Estimated Cost:** $5M

This project will catalyze Tribal, federal, and private landowner collaboration, support, and capacity for oak restoration by implementing a communication strategy alongside community and Tribal engagement. Restoration actions on private and federal lands within the project area include prescribed fire, reduced conifer encroachment, noxious weed abatement, and native understory planting.



Keystone Initiative at Table Rocks

Estimated Impact: 750 acres **Estimated Cost:** $4.2M

Table Rocks is KSON's keystone site, with landscape-scale and climate-smart restoration accomplishments, high public visibility, and adaptive management using shared learning successes. This initiative will focus on maintenance and additional restoration treatments (especially prescribed fire), while complementing ongoing public education, volunteer stewardship, and Tribal engagement programs.

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