Motivation
Ensuring the culture of scientific integrity.
Strengthening the actual and perceived usefulness and credibility of research, data, and information.
Facilitating the flow of scientific information for natural resource-related decision making.

Mission
Providing access to integrated knowledge and information to inform natural resource decision making and developing solutions in the context of sustainability.

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2013–2017 INR–IWW Strategic Plan Goals
Goal 1: Increase the ability of others to efficiently and effectively deliver environmental and resource outcomes.
Goal 2: Extend the reach of knowledge and information to inform natural resource decision making.
Goal 3: Enhance the relevance and delivery of our distinctive suite of services and products.
Goal 4: Strengthen our capacity and effectiveness.

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Legislative purpose

Serve as a clearinghouse for scientifically based natural resources information.

Provide scientifically based natural resources information to the public in integrated and accessible formats.

Coordinate efforts with other state agencies and bodies to provide natural resources information to the public in a comprehensive manner.

Facilitate and conduct research.

Provide information and technical tools to assist decision making on natural resources issues.

Assist the State Parks and Recreation Commission in carrying out the Natural Areas Program.

Assist state agencies to fulfill agency needs regarding natural resources information, research, and training.

Noteworthy

• SB202: Independent Science Review for Natural Resources. A legislatively mandated process that recommended a process and institutional structure for conducting independent scientific reviews for state policy makers.

• Sage-Grouse Conservation Partnership (SageCon). A facilitated project that convened collaborating partners involved in sagebrush steppe conservation and policy at the federal, state and local levels.

• Biotics Rare Species Database. Locations of state and federally listed and sensitive species for project planning.

• iMapInvasives. An invasive species mapping tool that provides inventory, monitoring data for invasive species in the state.

• Forest, Farms, and People: Land Use Change on Non-Federal Land in Oregon 1974-2014. Statewide maps displaying patterns of development in forest and agricultural lands used by state agencies.

• ILAP Integrated Landscape Analysis Project. Partnership with the Forest Service to develop tools for large landscape analyses and to conduct these analyses.

• Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species of Oregon. A revision of ranks of sensitive species in the state.