

# Oregon's Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program

Legislative Council on River Governance



**Oregon Department  
of Fish and Wildlife**

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# Outline

- Oregon Program Overview
- ODFW AIS Funding
- Watercraft Inspection Stations
- Roving Education
- Plans and Requests



# Oregon AIS Program Overview

## Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

- Watercraft Inspection Stations
  - Invasive Species/Wildlife Integrity Supervisor
    - Both Aquatic and Terrestrial Responsibilities
- Five Permanent Technician Inspection Staff
- Nine Seasonal Inspection Staff

## Oregon State Marine Board

- AISPP Financial and Contract Management
- Outreach and Education Materials

## Portland State University

- Early detection sampling for Quagga and Zebra Mussels

## Enforcement

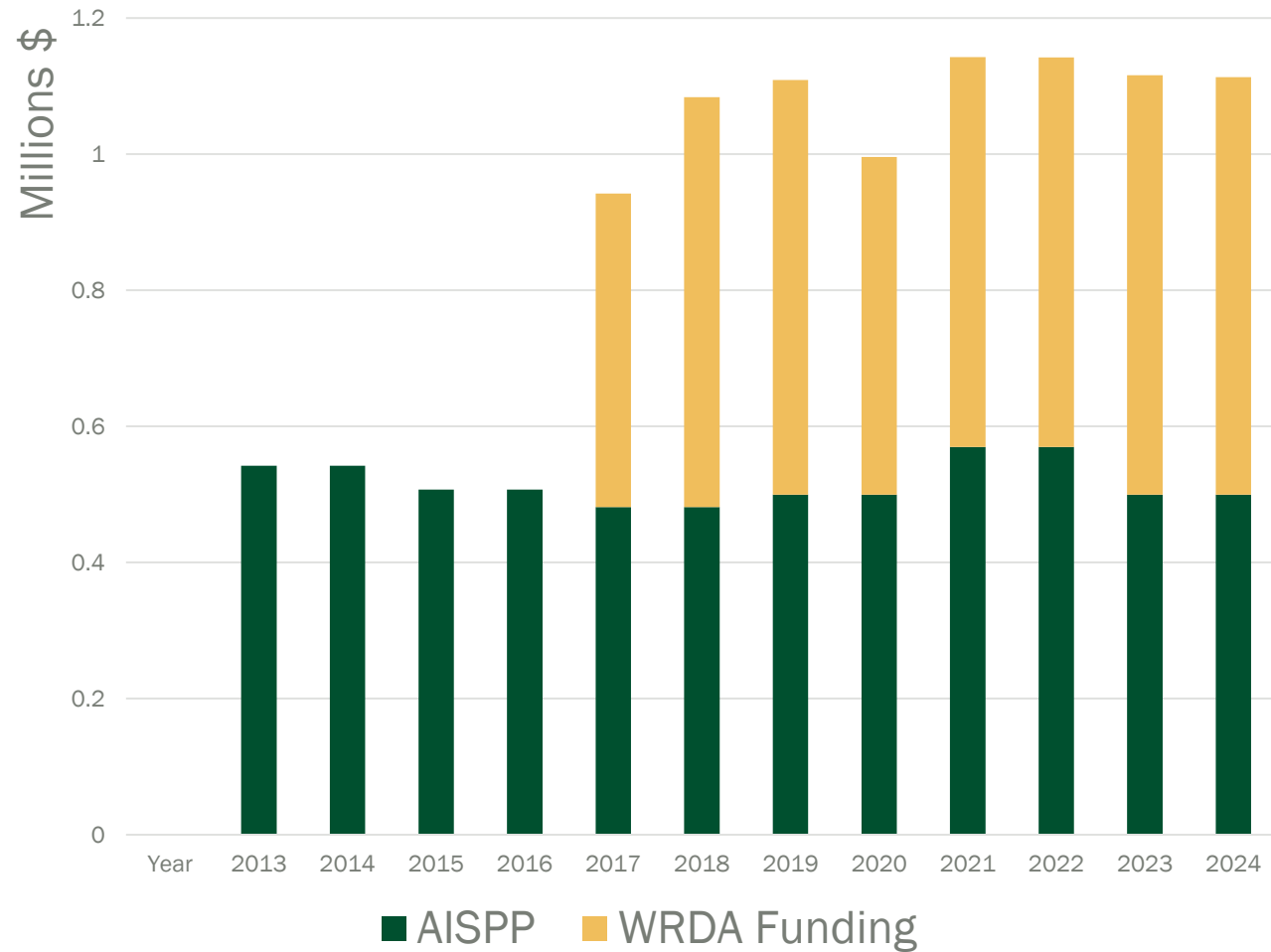
- Oregon State Police – Currently funded at \$20,000 per year
- Malheur County Police - Currently funded at \$20,000 per year

## Oregon Invasive Species Council

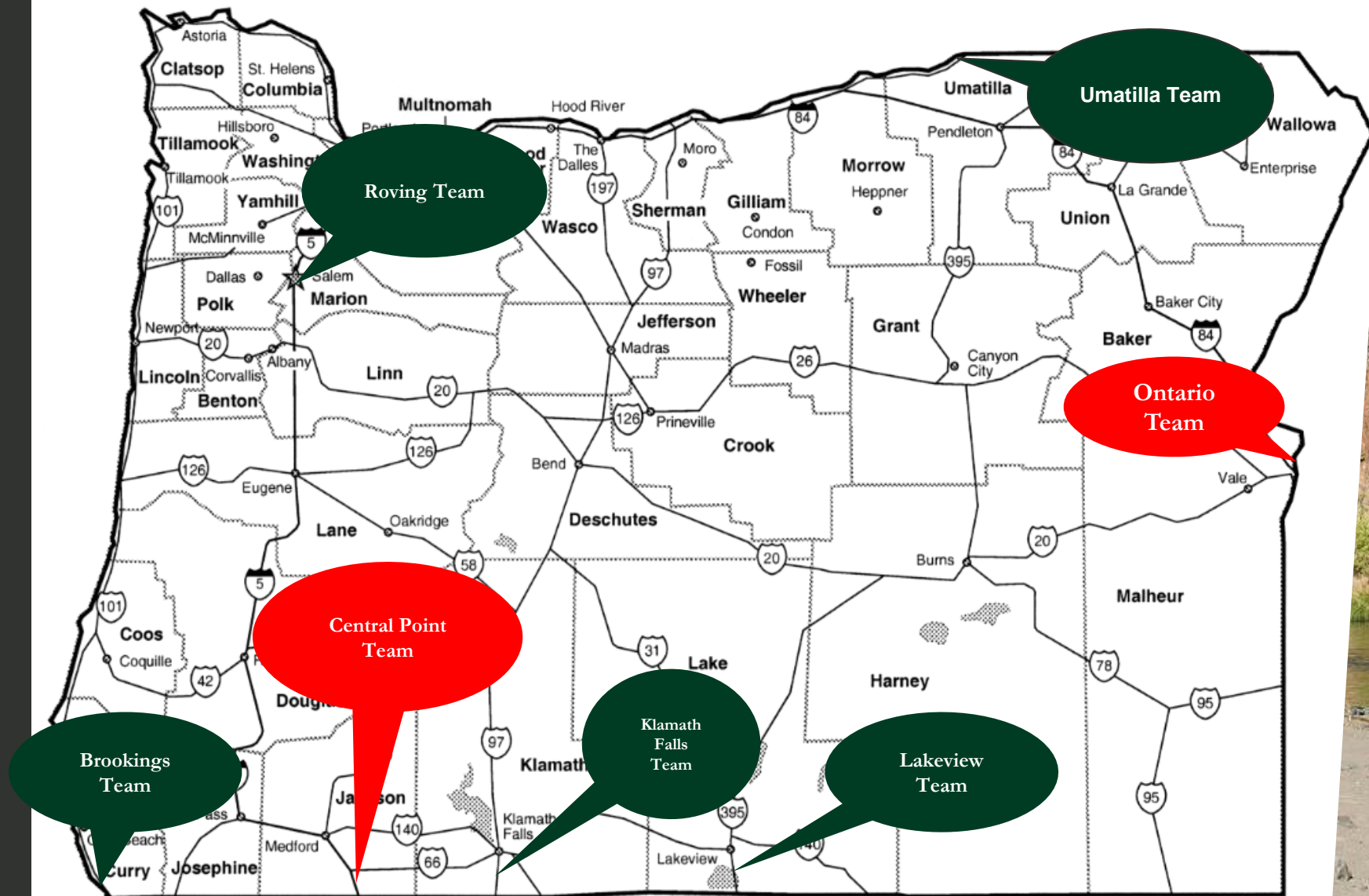
- Coordination and State Government Relationship for All Taxa
- Outreach and Education
- Networking
- Grants and Funding



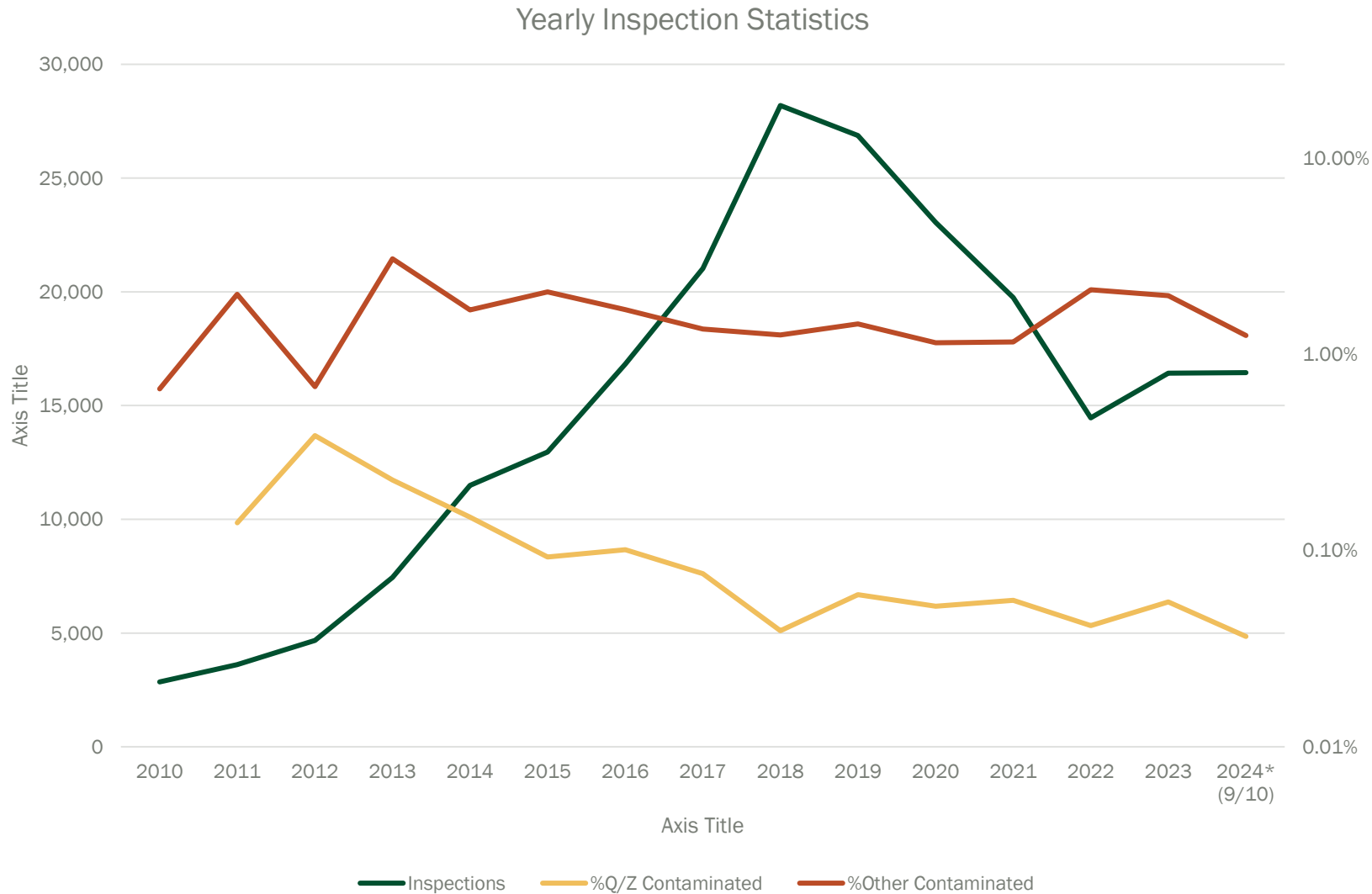
# ODFW AIS Funding



# Current Watercraft Inspection Stations



# Watercraft Inspection Station Data

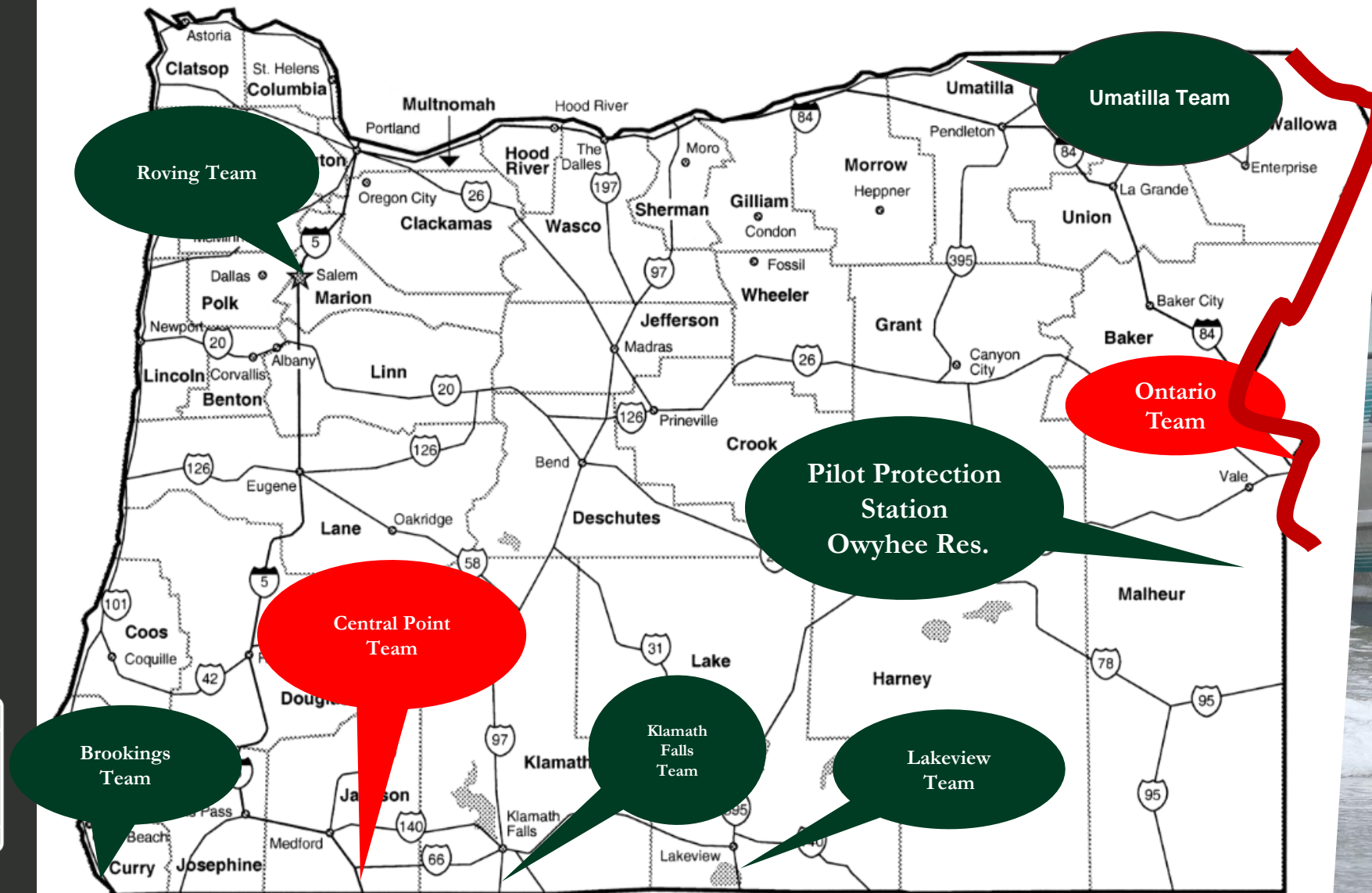


# Roving Team

- **Back-filled staff vacancies in 2023**
- **Functioning as planned 2024**
  - **Education / Outreach**
  - **Mobile inspection crew**
  - **Backup and support crew for stations**
- **Increased Staffing Planned for 2025**

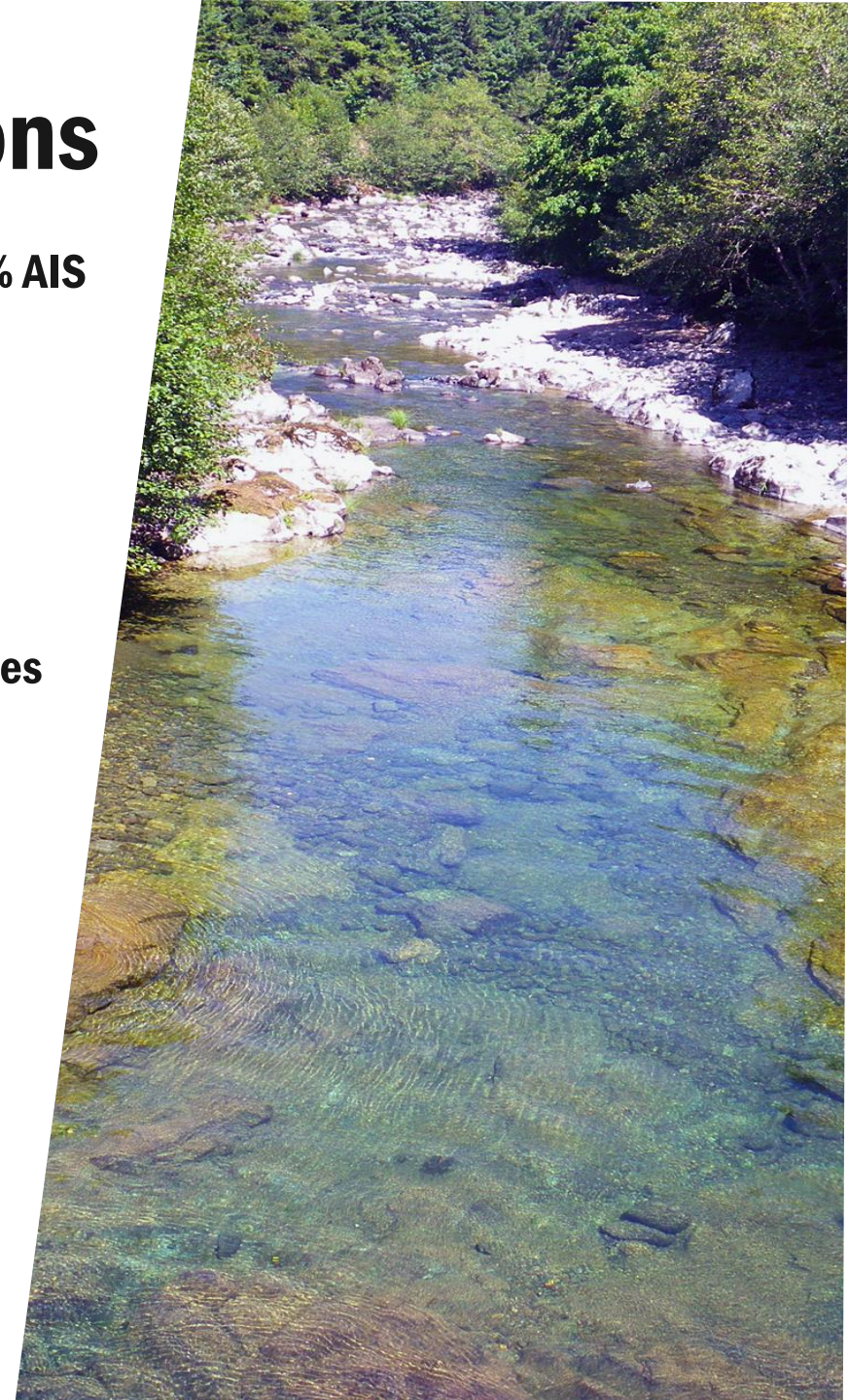


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- **Lead Staff Transition – '25 Plan to Dedicate Supervisor Position to 100% AIS**
- **Funding**
  - **\$240k from Good Neighbor Authority – Allowing for Pilot Programs**
    - **Adding up to 5 new roving positions for Snake River response.**
  - **AISPP Flat**
    - **Stations closed more often and less ability to purchase supplies**
  - **No General State Funding Dedicated to Aquatic Invasive Species**
- **Station Staffing**
  - **Improved but still difficult**
  - **Staff Housing Remains a Major Roadblock**
- **Building relationships with local entities**
  - **Irrigation Districts**
  - **Watershed Councils**





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