



# Tribal & Indigenous Lands Initiative

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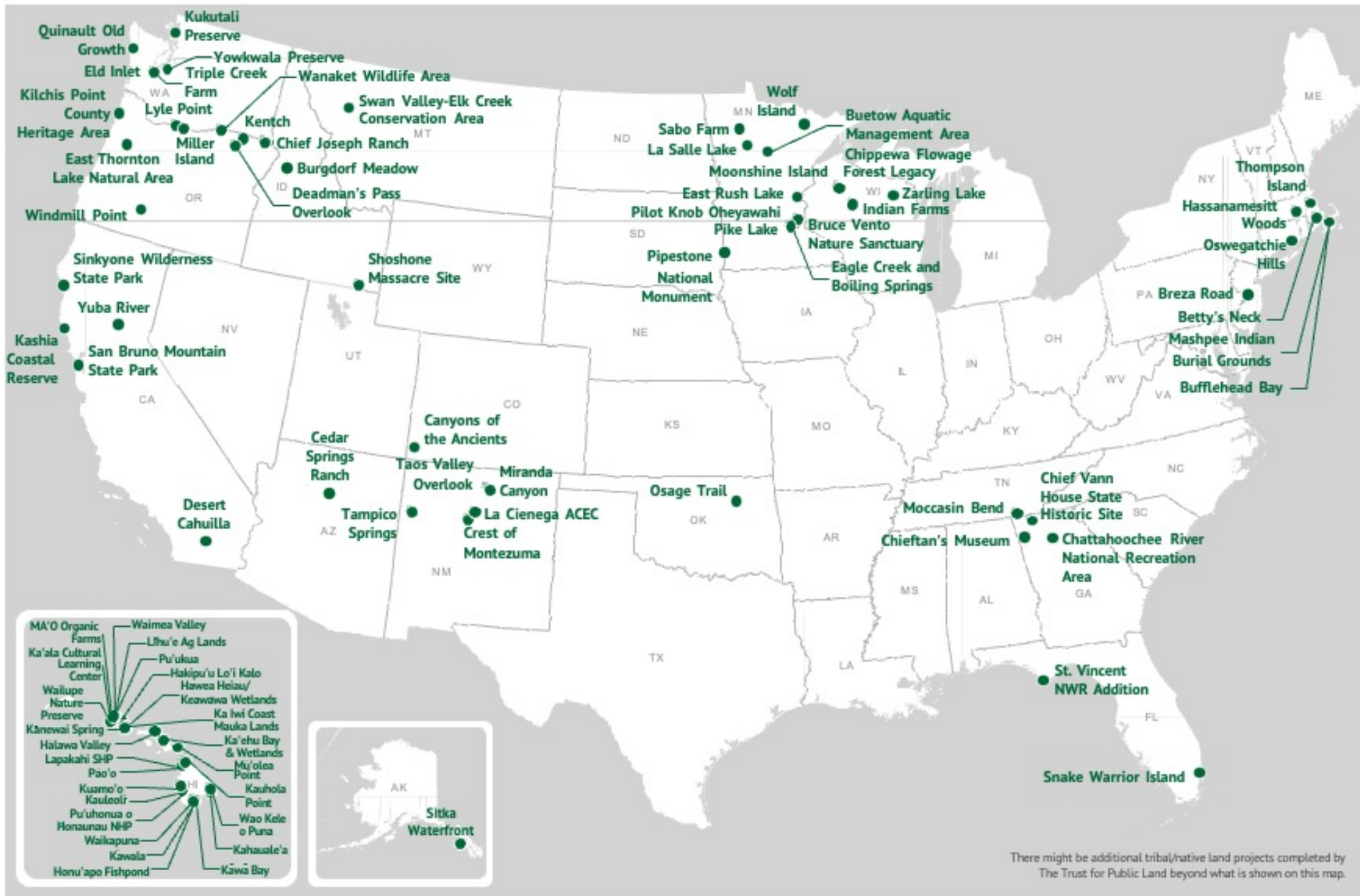


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Re-connecting Indigenous people to lands lost and to the outdoors







TPL has a long, proud history of collaborating with **more than 100 tribes and Indigenous communities** on a variety of projects, resulting in protection, restoration, and access to **over 200,000 acres**.

Each of these partnerships and projects share the common goal of fostering **stronger, healthier, and more resilient communities**.

There might be additional tribal/native land projects completed by The Trust for Public Land beyond what is shown on this map.

# Current Land Return Projects

TPL is assisting 22 federally recognized tribes in 14 states with 30 land return projects. These lands have a fair market value of over \$200 million and an incalculable value to the tribes and Indigenous peoples who have called them home for millennia. Examples include:

- Penobscot Nation in Maine
- Cow Creek Umpqua Tribe in Oregon
- Klamath Tribes in Oregon
- Amah Mutsun Tribal Band in California
- Native Hawaiians in Hawai'i





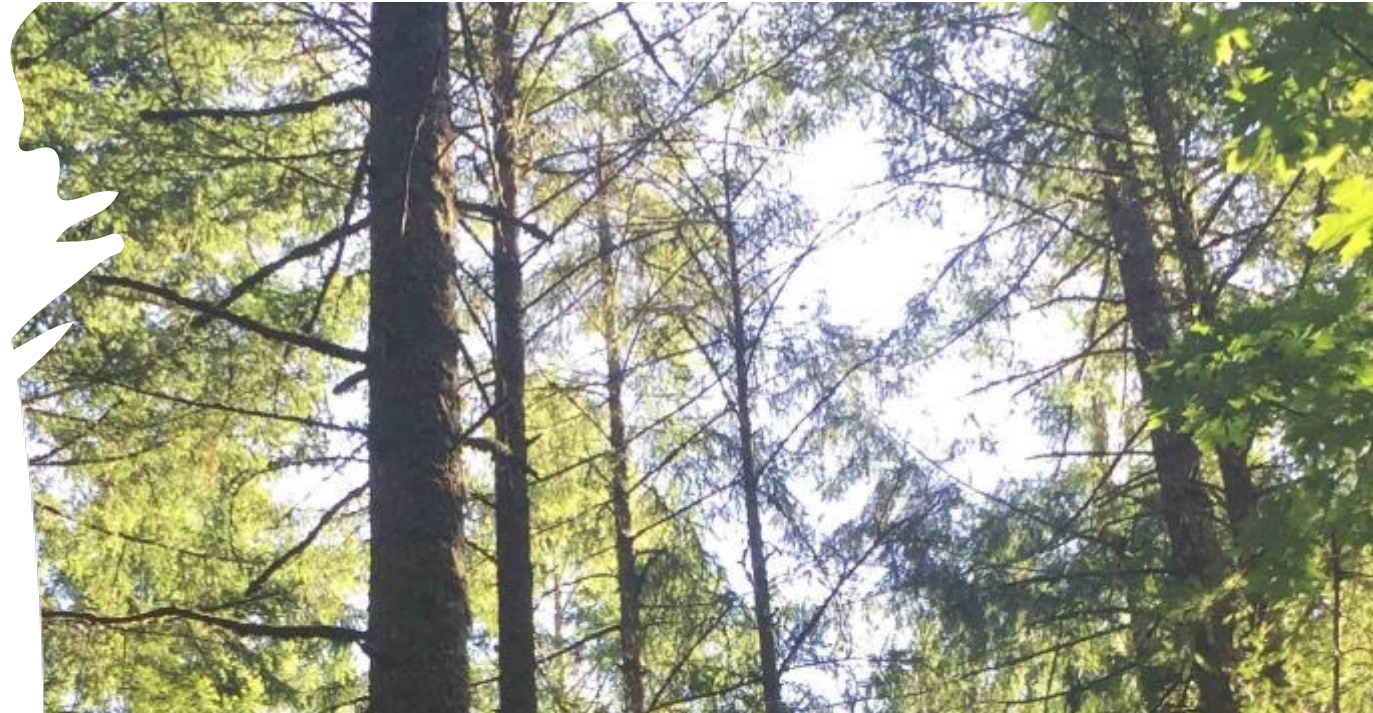
# Reclaiming and Reconnecting with Ancestral Lands

## Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians

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# Tribal Background

- One of Nine Federally Recognized Tribes in Oregon
- Eleven-member council known as the Tribal Board of Directors
- Located in Roseburg, Oregon
- Seven County Service Area in Oregon
- Primary Economic Driver: Umpqua Indian Development Corporation
- Membership: 2,000
- Self-Governance Compact
- One of Two Tribes Managing Under the Indian Trust Assent Reform Act (ITARA)

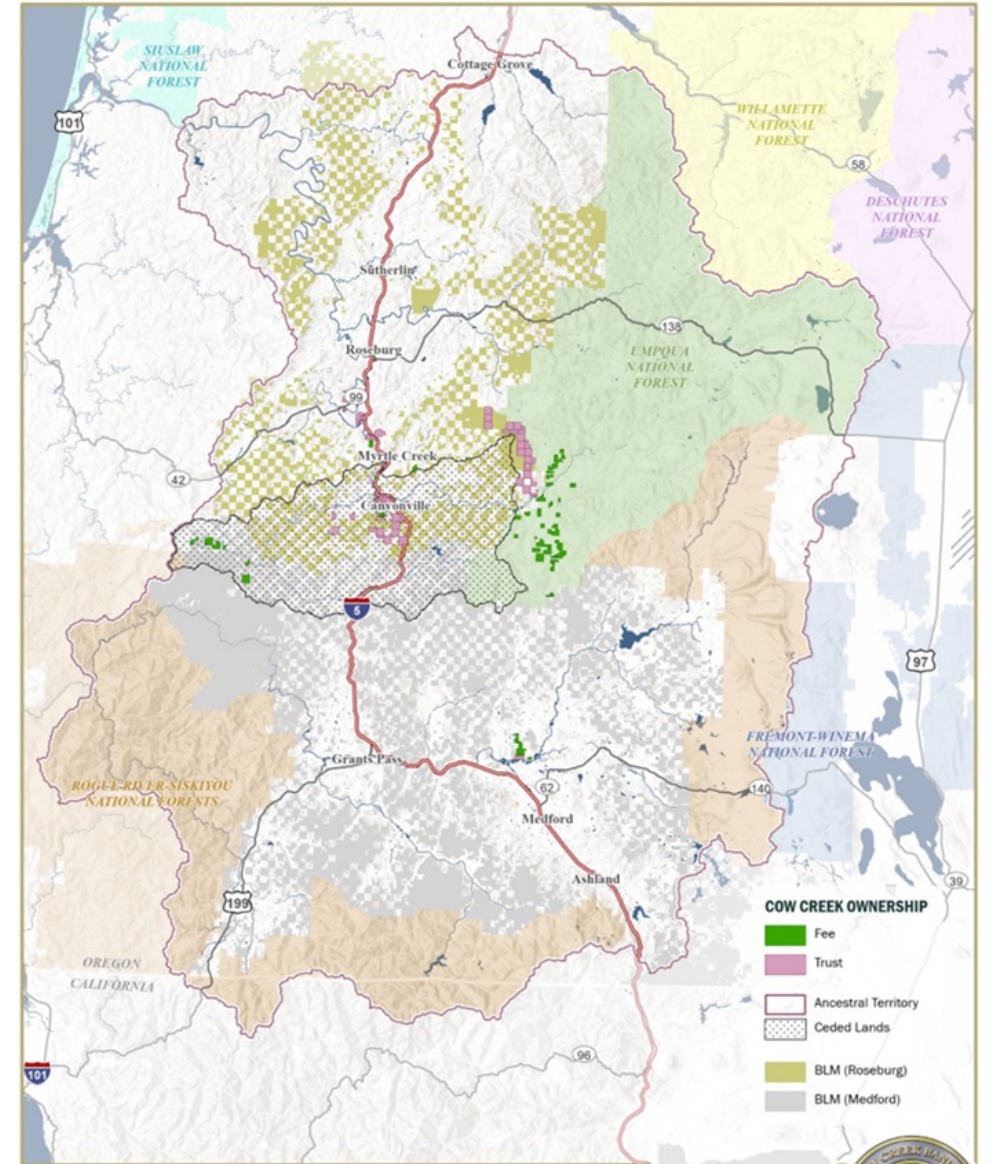
To learn more: <https://www.cowcreek-nsn.gov/>





# Land Ownership

- Fee = 14,651
- Trust = 23, 523
- Total = 38, 175



## COW CREEK LAND MANAGEMENT MAP

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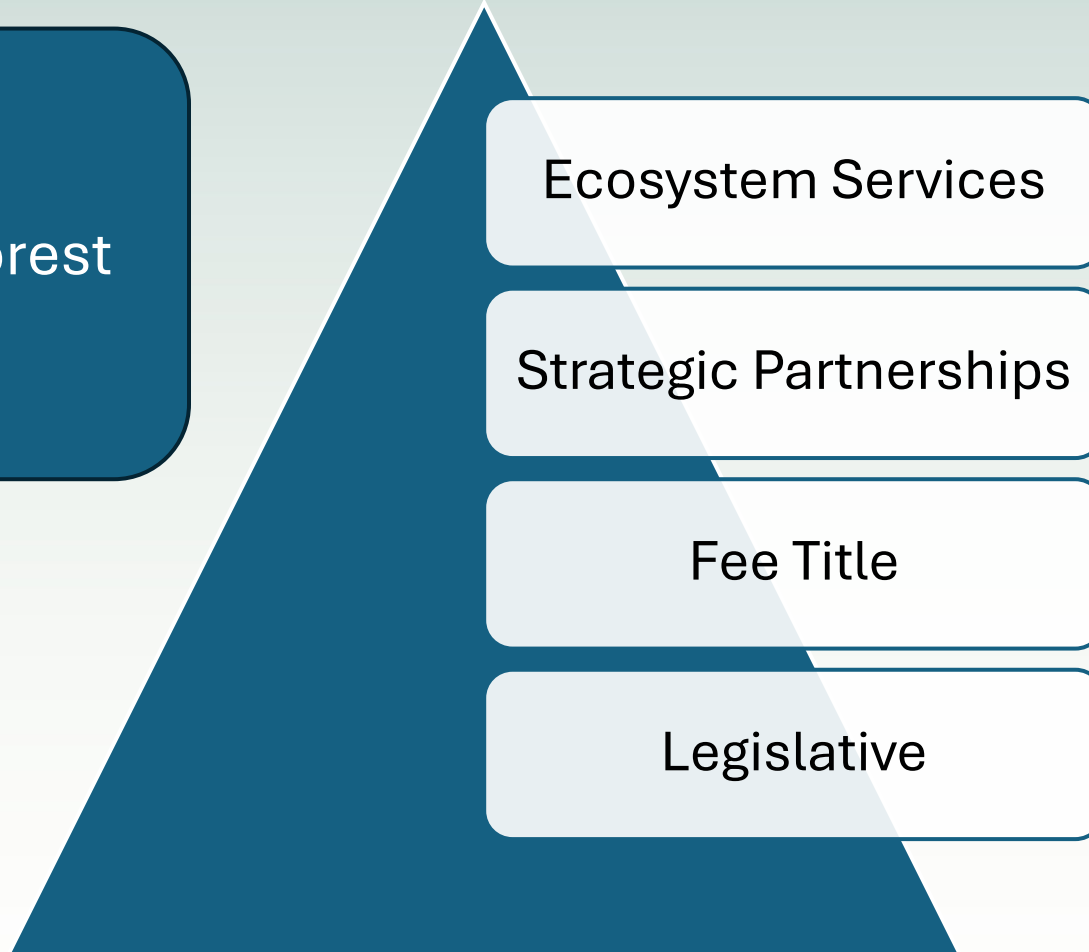




# Land Acquisition Strategy

## Co-Stewardship

- Umpqua National Forest
- Rogue Siskiyou National Forest
- Roseburg BLM
- Medford BLM





# Strategic Partnership with TPL

- MOU centered on prioritizing land acquisition opportunities
- Using TPL's NW Decision Support Tool (GIS mapping/data) Strategic Partnerships to identify 100,000 acres for restoration.
- Assistance with grants and other funding mechanisms for land acquisitions
- Grants to support decision making tools, analysis, federal education, and commutations strategy:
  - Meyer Memorial Trust
  - National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Research on Tribal Land Trust
- Land Acquisition Strategy and Funding Partnerships





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# Cultural Burning:

Bringing good  
fire back to  
the land





Mount Madonna  
prescribed burn, 2023





Prescribed burns  
in collaboration  
with State Parks  
at Cascade Fields,  
2020.





# Coastal Stewardship







Photo credit, Rob Brodman

AMLT Coast Youth Summer  
Camp at Pescadero State Beach,  
2019.





AMLT Stewards at Neary Lagoon conducting eDNA sampling, 2022



AMLT Steward Marcela Lunda at Mill Creek conducting eDNA sampling, 2022



# Plant







Amah Mutsun Land Trust greenhouse for native plant restoration (Fall 2021)





Propagation fields for native plant restoration project  
(Fall 2021)



# Archeological Research

AMLT interns  
conducting  
archeological  
research at  
Cotoni Coast  
Dairies, 2019





Amah Mutsun Tribal members visiting UC Berkeley Archeology Lab, 2019.

