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Assessment of the Oregon Coastal Coho Evolutionarily Significant Unit

The Oregon Coastal Coho Evolutionarily Significant Unit (ESU) is being considered for listing as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act (ESA).

The State of Oregon has completed a comprehensive Assessment of the status of the fish and the ongoing conservation efforts for this ESU in order to inform the ongoing conservation efforts as well as the federal government's listing decision. This Assessment required significant contributions from local watershed partners and Oregon and federal agencies that contributed data, analyses, and administrative support.

The complete Assessment documents can be viewed at:

<http://nrimp.dfw.state.or.us/OregonPlan/>

Oregon's assessment includes:

1. Evaluating the biological viability (sustainability) of the ESU.
2. Identifying risk factors contributing to the decline of coho or potentially threatening viability in the foreseeable future.
3. Evaluating the status and trends in management programs, restoration work, habitat, and other conditions in place to address these risk factors and maintain or enhance the continued viability of the ESU.

This document (Oregon Plan Biennial Report - Volume 2) captures the key elements of the Assessment.