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Obtaining Maps from the U.S. Geological Survey

Who we are

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) serves the Nation as an independent, fact-finding agency. It collects, monitors, analyzes, and provides scientific understanding about natural resource conditions, issues, and problems. It is composed of four disciplines - biology, geography, geology, and water. These divisions work together to minimize the effect of natural hazards and supply managers with natural resource information by striving to better understand the earth.

The Forest and Rangeland Ecosystem Science Center (FRESC; headquartered in Corvallis, Oregon) is part of the Biological Discipline of the U.S. Geological Survey. We provide research and technical assistance in support of sound management and conservation of biological systems in the western United States.

How you can get maps from the USGS

Paper Maps

There are several options for obtaining maps from the USGS Mapping Division. Maps can be ordered from the USGS at the Earth Explorer web site (<http://edcns17.cr.usgs.gov/EarthExplorer/>) but the turnaround time will probably be slower than purchasing or ordering them from the Oregon State University (OSU) Bookstore or online. The OSU Bookstore has over one thousand 1:24000 quadrangle (also referred to as 7 1/2 minute quadrangles) maps of Oregon. Any maps not in their current stock can usually be obtained within 10-14 days, including

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Choose "General Books" and perform a quick search. If they do not list what you want, choose "Special Order Request Form." Their website is secure and accepts most major credit cards.

Electronic Maps

You can browse thousands of USGS maps in the online map catalog, at the USGS store at <http://store.usgs.gov>. The OSU Bookstore also carries the National Geographic Seamless USGS Topographic Maps on CD-ROM of the entire state of Oregon. They can be ordered by any of the aforementioned ways.

Electronic maps of Oregon or Washington can also be downloaded as free georeferenced TIFF files from the Regional Ecosystem Office <http://www.reo.gov/gis/gisdata.htm> (Digital Raster Graphics link). At this site, there are 1:24000 quadrangles. Clicking on the exact grid you desire will link to the zip file location for easy download.

For more information on mapping, please explore the USGS mapping website at http://mapping.usgs.gov/esic/to_order.html.