

PROPOSED OUTFITTER & GUIDE FEE RESTRUCTURE

2025 Legislative Concept (LC 0344)

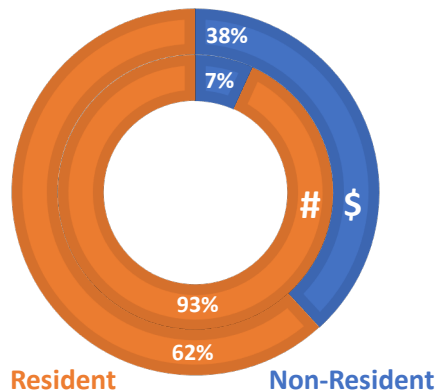
CURRENT CHALLENGES

- The Outfitter and Guide (OG) Program expenditures continue to exceed revenues and is limiting current service levels.
- Current service level limitations include decrease funding for contracted OG enforcement with Oregon State Police.
- Non-resident fee structure does not align with interstate commerce laws. The state currently charges less to residents in pursuit of a common occupation license (OG registration) to the detriment of some non-resident competitors who pay more.
- Current fee structure misalignment with interstate commerce laws has blocked past proposed OG legislation in ORS 704.

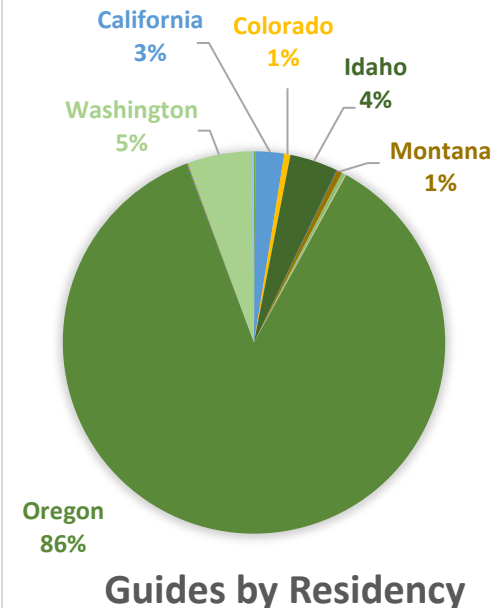
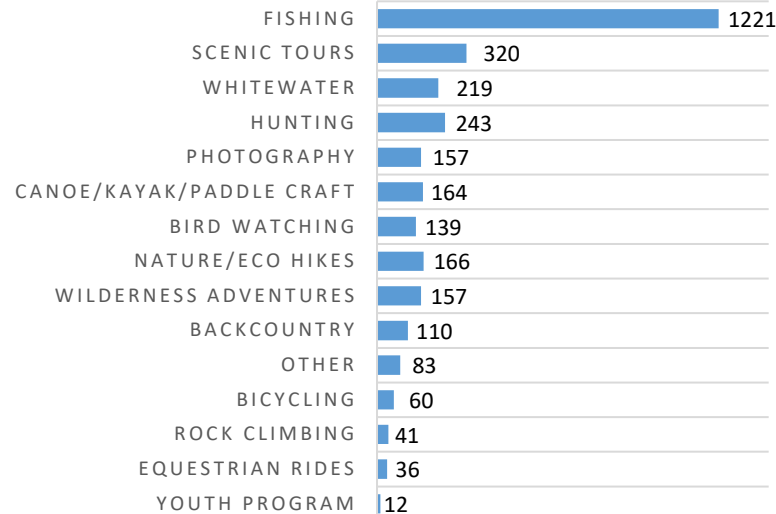
PROPOSED SOLUTIONS

- Restructure fees so that the Oregon resident and non-resident OG registration annual fee are the same amount.
- Establish a fee for OG employee registration to offset agency processing costs; this would be a per employee fee.
- Establish a fee for the Non-Resident Hunt Tag Program (NRHTP) unit certification to offset processing costs, per unit fee.
- Increase current fees for OG Duplicate Registration, NRHTP Initial Application, and NRHTP Renewal Application.
- Increase OG civil penalties for first and subsequent violations.

Revenue by Residency
for OG paying more than Oregon resident fee under current structure



Guides By Services



Which fees are affected by the proposed OG fee restructuring (LC 0334)?

I am:	Current OG Fee Structure				Proposed OG Fee Structure				
	OG Resident	OG Non-Resident Fee	Charter Boat	NRHTP Fee	OG Fee	New OG Employee Fee	NRHTP Initial Fee	NRHTP Renewal Fee	New NRHTP Unit Certification Fee
• An Oregon 6-pk Fishing guide	✓				✓				
• A WA or CA 6-pk Fishing guide		✓			✓				
• An OR employee (fishing)	✓				✓				
• A WA or CA employee (fishing)		✓			✓				
• An Oregon non-motorized Fishing guide	✓				✓				
• A Charter vessel (7+ pass)			✗						
• A Rafting guide	✓				✓				
• A CA Rafting guide providing fishing		✓			✓				
• A Hunting guide	✓				✓				
• A Hunting guide in NRHTP	✓			✓	✓			✓	✓
• A Hunting employee						✓			
• A new Hunting guide employee in NRHTP	✓			✓	✓		✓		✓
• All other guides (and employees providing fishing) per State ID	✓	✓			✓				
• All other employees						✓			



There are no proposed changes to fees (ORS 830.440) related to Charter Boats which are defined (ORS 830.435) as carrying seven or more passengers for hire for angling, sightseeing or other recreational purposes on waters of the state.