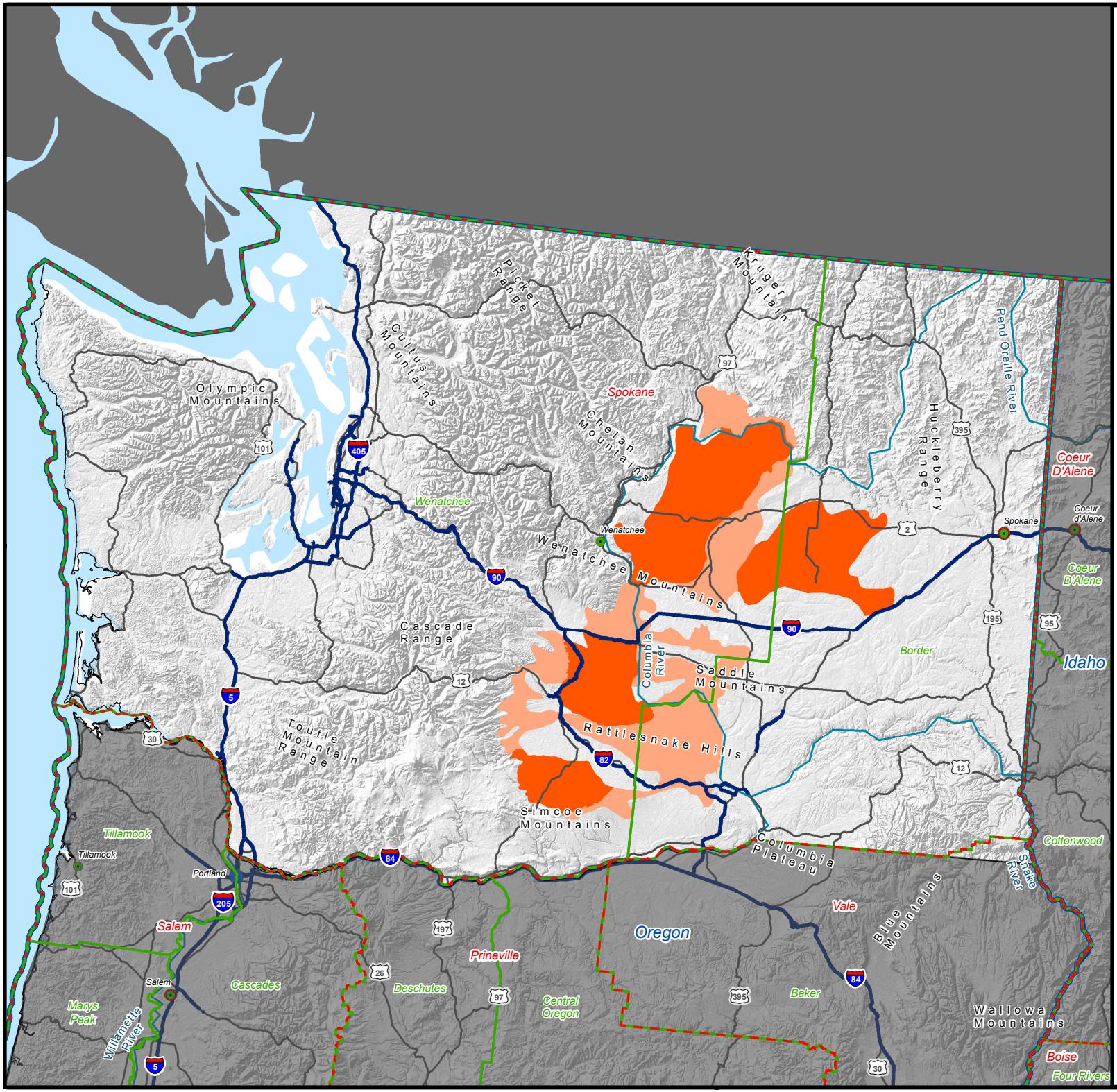


# Washington Greater Sage-Grouse Habitat - June 2015 -

**Legend**

- Columbia Basin - Priority Areas for Conservation (PAC)
- Columbia Basin - Recovery Habitat
- BLM State Office Boundaries
- BLM District Office Boundaries
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**Description:**

**Columbia Basin Distinct Population Segment (DPS):**
**Priority Areas for Conservation (PAC):** Areas offering significant concentrations of shrub-steppe with populations of sage-grouse. PACs will be viewed as a higher priority than Recovery Habitat when establishing priorities for fire preparedness, suppression actions, and fuels management.

**Recovery Habitat:** Unoccupied areas that contain significant concentrations of shrub-steppe and have potential for contributing to recovery. Recovery Habitat will be viewed as a higher priority than other, non-designated areas relative to habitat importance.

**Data Sources:**
**PAC and Recovery Habitat:** BLM's depiction of habitats for the Columbia Basin DPS in Washington State is based on the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's (WDFW) SG recovery plan (2004). This plan mapped 14 sage-grouse management units (SMUs) representing significant concentrations of shrub-steppe in the state. The USFWS later used the occupied SMUs to define the four Washington PACs shown the 2013 COT report. The PACs are being depicted as the highest valued habitats because they are considered essential habitat in Washington. The remaining unoccupied SMUs are depicted as "recovery habitat" because they represent significant concentrations of shrub-steppe habitat needed to restore a viable population of sage-grouse in the state. Acquired from the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife on 03/04/2015.
**BLM Administrative Boundaries and Office Locations:** Downloaded from GeoSpatial Gateway, 05/20/2015.

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