

# **Bureau of Land** Management

### Mission

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) mission is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.

## **Budget Overview**

The 2026 BLM Budget for current appropriations is \$936.1 million. This amount includes \$827.4 million for the Management of Lands and Resources appropriation and \$69.3 million for the Oregon and California Grant Lands appropriation, which are BLM's principal operating accounts.

The Budget advances the Administration's priorities related to Energy Dominance, economic growth, and reducing the cost of living. BLM is committed to facilitating and maximizing the development of the Federal surface and subsurface estate managed by BLM pursuant to multiple Executive Orders (EOs) and Secretary's Orders (SOs) aimed at strengthening the Nation's energy independence and national security and fueling economic growth. The 2026 Budget will continue efforts to improve and streamline grazing permit and right-of-way (ROW) processing to achieve greater efficiencies.

# **Management of Lands** and Resources

The 2026 Budget prioritizes the Trump Administration's commitment to American Energy Dominance and boosting economic growth with



The Bureau of Land Management oversees coal leasing on Federal lands.

BLM Photo.

substantial resources for BLM's oil, gas, and coal management programs. Increasing domestic energy production will lower energy prices for Americans, enhance our national security, and generate vital revenues for the U.S. Treasury and State governments.

The Budget request supports BLM's efforts to implement the President's direction in EO 14154 and the Secretary's corresponding SO 3418, Unleashing American Energy, by encouraging energy exploration and production on Federal lands, expediting the permitting process, and reducing burdens on the development of domestic energy resources. The request also supports BLM's efforts to implement EO 14153 and SO 3422, Unleashing Alaska's Extraordinary Resource Potential, to maximize development of the significant oil and gas resources available in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska and the 1002 Area of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. The Budget also strongly maintains Federal coal as an important component of America's energy portfolio given its critical role in ensuring the Nation has sufficient baseload electricity

#### **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** Facts



- BLM was established in 1946 through consolidation of the General Land Office and the U.S. Grazing Service.
- The Bureau administers more than 245 million surface acres of public land and 700 million acres of onshore subsurface mineral estates—more land than any other Federal agency. Bureau management adheres to the multiple-use and sustained-yield obligations under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, which includes development of renewable and conventional energy resources; solid mineral exploration and development; timber production; domestic livestock grazing; outdoor recreation; fish and wildlife conservation; and the conservation of natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on public lands.

generation capacity to support our modern economy. The Budget eliminates support for Green New Scam technologies, including BLM's renewable energy program that facilitates unreliable, intermittent energy to the detriment of American consumers, businesses, and communities.

The Land Resources programs will seek to expand the use of appropriate tools to achieve better outcomes for Wild Horse and Burro (WHB) management, rangeland health, and containment of program costs. In 2026, BLM will continue efforts to improve and streamline grazing permit processing to achieve greater efficiencies and service

to permittees while striving to meet land condition objectives and will streamline ROW processing and emphasize ROW actions and cadastral services advancing energy activities and economic development. The Budget proposes deep reductions in support for national monuments to undo excessive designations under the Antiquities Act that has hamstrung development on valuable energy and mineral resources. The Budget also proposes deep reductions to BLM's habitat management programs to reduce funds given to extremist organizations that work against development of energy and mineral resources.



The Molalla River Recreation Area offers year-round fishing for native steelhead and salmon.

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Oil rig in Converse County, Wyoming.

Within Resource Protection and Maintenance, BLM will emphasize resource management plans that support Administration priorities, including developing energy and infrastructure, evaluating multiple-use land plan effectiveness, and streamlining planning and National Environmental Policy Act compliance processes. BLM will continue to work closely with State and local law enforcement officers to coordinate efforts and maximize program effectiveness. The bureau will continue to focus on the highest priority abandoned mine lands and hazardous waste issues, in cooperation with State, Federal, and Tribal agencies and other partners.

Amounts for Mining Law Administration are fully offset by revenue from mining claim maintenance and location fees. The additional funding will support BLM's implementation of the Administration's priorities regarding critical mineral sourcing and supply chains by enhancing BLM's capacity for reviewing mining plans of operation and conducting inspections.

#### Oregon and California Grant Lands

The 2026 Budget for the Oregon and California Grant Lands programs totals \$69.3 million. The program will prioritize active forest management through an increase in timber production and through forest thinning to increase resilience to catastrophic wildfire, insect and disease infestations, and drought.

## **Workforce Restructure**

The 2026 Budget supports the Administration's priority to streamline government and will continue efforts to unify and optimize administrative services across the Department to increase effectiveness and efficiency for the benefit of American taxpayers.

# **SUMMARY OF BUREAU APPROPRIATIONS**

(dollar amounts in thousands)

# Comparison of 2026 Request with 2025 CR

	2025 CR 1/	2026 Request
Current		
Management of Lands and Resources	1,294,766	827,385
Oregon and California Grant Lands	115,521	69,313
Range Improvements	9,430	9,430
Service Charges, Deposits, and Forfeitures (indefinite)	44,564	35,000
SCDF Offset	-44,564	-35,000
Miscellaneous Trust Funds (indefinite)	30,000	30,000
Total, Current	1,449,717	936,128
Permanent, 2026 LWCF		
Land Acquisition and Deferred Maintenance		24,460
Total, Permanent, 2026 LWCF		24,460

Resource levels included are estimates. The President reserves his authority under the "Full-Year Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025" (P.L. 119-4) to revise spending within the amounts provided by Congress.

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF BUDGET CHANGES**

By Appropriation Activity/Subactivity

# **APPROPRIATION: Management of Lands and Resources**

	2024 Actual	2025 Notional 1/	2026 Request
Land Resources	[279,424]	279,424	183,613
Wildlife Habitat Management and Aquatic Resources	[198,897]	198,897	62,957
Recreation Management	[72,047]	72,047	26,800
Energy and Minerals Management			
Oil and Gas Management	102,473	102,473	112,720
Oil and Gas Inspection and Enforcement	48,386	48,386	53,225
Coal Management	15,945	18,945	17,540
Other Mineral Resources Management	12,927	17,927	9,049
Renewable Energy	39,344	*	0
Subtotal, Energy and Minerals Management	[219,075]	207,075	192,534
Realty and Ownership Management	[87,488]	99,488	72,076
Communication Site Management			
Communication Site Management	2,000	2,000	2,000
Offsetting Collections—Communication Site Management	-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Subtotal, Communication Site Management	[0]	0	0
Resource Protection and Maintenance	[149,000]	153,500	107,601
Transportation and Facilities Maintenance	[55,000]	55,000	33,000
National Conservation Lands	[59,135]	54,635	15,000
Workforce and Organizational Support	[174,700]	174,700	133,804
Mining Law Administration			
Mining Law Administration	39,696	39,696	42,696
Offsetting Collections—Mining Law Administration	-39,696	-39,696	-42,696
Subtotal, Mining Law Administration	[0]	0	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	1,294,916	1,294,766	827,385

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<sup>\*</sup> Resource levels not able to be determined at this time.

#### **APPROPRIATION: Oregon and California Grant Lands**

	2024 Actual	2025 Notional 1/	2026 Request
Western Oregon Construction and Acquisition	369	369	221
Western Oregon Information and Data Systems	1,887	1,887	1,132
Western Oregon National Conservation Lands	817	817	490
Western Oregon Resources Management	101,325	101,325	60,796
Western Oregon Transportation and Facilities Maintenance	11,123	11,123	6,674
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	115,521	115,521	69,313

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## **APPROPRIATION: Range Improvements**

	2024 Actual	2025 Notional 1/	2026 Request
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	9,430	9,430	9,430

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#### APPROPRIATION: Service Charges, Deposits, and Forfeitures

	2024 Actual	2025 Notional 1/	2026 Request
Service Charges, Deposits, and Forfeitures	65,123	44,564	35,000
Offsetting Collections—Service Charges, Deposits, and Forfeitures	-65,123	-44,564	-35,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	0	0	0

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## **APPROPRIATION: Miscellaneous Trust Funds**

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TOTAL APPROPRIATION	26,265	30,000	30,000

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