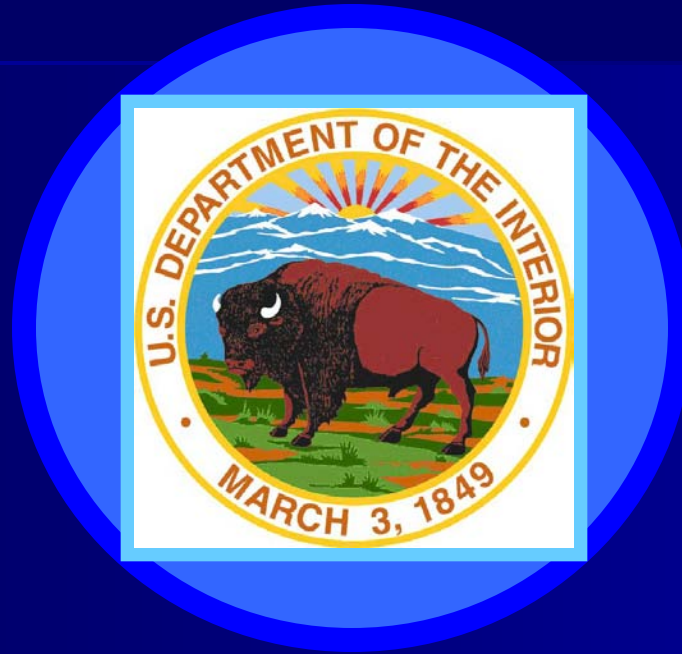


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Mission



Supports the Secretary, Assistant Secretaries, and bureaus in addressing complex and pressing policy issues, especially those of a cross-cutting and multi-stakeholder nature.

Economics Team



- Five Ph.D. resource economists provide bureau-and office-neutral economic and policy analysis.
 - Collectively has over 40 years of experience.
 - Brings a wide range of federal, private, NGO, and international experience and perspectives developed from a variety of settings.
 - Has specialized training in natural resource and environmental economics, economic modeling, benefit-cost analysis, econometrics, policy analysis, business, international affairs, and political science.
 - Expertise in addressing complex, high visibility, cross-cutting issues for Interior.
- Collaborates extensively with other Interior and agency economists.

Experience in NRDAR



- Supports the policy development of the Restoration Program and its Work Group.
- Provides economic review of damage assessment cases funded by the DOI Restoration Fund.
- Worked with case teams on over 150 damage assessment cases.
- Helping to evolve the economic methods used to settle claims for damages (e.g., conjoint, HEA, REA).

Experience with Oil Spills from Ocean Vessels



- Worked on the M/V Citrus, M/V Selendang Ayu, M/S Star Evviva, M/V Westchester, and M/V New Carissa.
 - e.g., calculated damages from the 1999 New Carissa spill near Coos Bay, Oregon, which supported the \$15.5 million settlement for the death of 262 marbled murrelets.
- Reviewed work on spills from Bouchard 120 Barge, M/T Athos 1



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