

The Pew Charitable Trusts
Oregon Wildlife Corridors Project
Statewide Survey

February 12-18, 2020
 700 Registered Voters (520 Weighted)
 363 Hunting/Fishing License Household (211 Weighted)

Q.1 First of all, are you currently registered to vote in Oregon?

	Total	Hunting/ Fishing License
Yes.....	100	100
No	-	-
(Don't know/refused)	-	-

Q.2 How important is access to public lands for activities like hunting, fishing, hiking, camping, et cetera to you personally - very important, important, not very important, or not important at all?

	Total	Hunting/ Fishing License
Very important.....	55	78
Important.....	31	17
Not very important.....	8	2
Not important at all	6	2
(Don't know/refused)	1	1
Total Important	86	95
Total Not important	14	4
Important - Not important	72	91

Q.3 Do you or anyone in your household have a license to hunt or fish? (IF YES) Is that a hunting license, fishing license, or both?

	Total	Hunting/ Fishing License
Yes, hunting	2	4
Yes, fishing.....	15	36
Yes, both.....	24	60
No	59	-
(Don't know/refused)	0	-
Total Yes	41	100



Q.4 Have you seen, heard, or read anything about migration corridors in Oregon used by wildlife like mule deer, pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, and elk? (IF YES) Have you seen a great deal or just a little?

	Total	Hunting/ Fishing License
Yes, a great deal	9	10
Yes, a little.....	34	41
No, have not seen or heard anything.....	56	48
(Don't know/refused)	1	1
Total Yes	43	51

Q.5 Now, let me tell you a little bit more about this issue.

Every year, wildlife including mule deer, pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, and elk migrate along regular routes between summer and winter habitats in Oregon. These species depend on this movement for their own survival, seeking better feeding grounds, access to water, and safer weather conditions for themselves and their offspring. However, their migrations are often cut off by highways, fences, and development.

Given this information, how important do you think it is for the state of Oregon to adopt policies that protect wildlife migration routes in Oregon - very important, important, not very important, or not important at all?

	Total	Hunting/ Fishing License
Very important.....	48	45
Important.....	38	38
Not very important.....	8	8
Not important at all	4	6
(Don't know/refused)	2	3
Total Important	86	83
Total Not important	12	14
Important - Not important	73	69

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Next, I am going to read you a list of various solutions that have been proposed to protect wildlife migration in Oregon. Please tell me whether you support or oppose each proposal.

	Strng Sup	Smwt Sup	Smwt Opp	Strng Opp	DK/ Ref	Total Sup	Total Opp	Sup -
6 (SPLIT A) ¹ Ensuring federal land managers maintain open corridors for wildlife to migrate on public lands.....	51	36	6	3	3	88	9	79
Hunting/Fishing License.....	52	36	7	1	3	88	9	79
7 (SPLIT A) Providing incentives for landowners to replace fencing, either removing or raising the bottom rung of fences so migratory animals have an easier time crawling under.	31	31	18	10	10	62	28	35
Hunting/Fishing License.....	34	29	19	11	6	64	30	34
8 (SPLIT A) Using special habitat designations to ensure that large blocks of existing, high-quality public land habitat would be managed and protected, with an emphasis on protecting migration corridors for the long-term.	44	37	8	4	7	82	12	70
Hunting/Fishing License.....	43	37	9	6	5	80	15	65
9 (SPLIT B) Ensuring that national forests such as the Willamette National Forest protect known wildlife migration routes.....	58	29	3	5	6	87	8	79
Hunting/Fishing License.....	44	39	3	7	6	83	10	73
10 (SPLIT B) Requiring that areas leased for industrial renewable energy production on public lands avoid big game migration corridors.	43	28	11	10	8	71	21	50
Hunting/Fishing License.....	37	27	15	13	8	64	29	35
11 (SPLIT B) Building more overpasses and underpasses for wildlife in concentrated migration areas so animals can safely cross highways and major roads, decreasing car accidents and animal deaths.....	57	29	3	7	4	86	10	76
Hunting/Fishing License.....	54	27	2	12	5	81	14	68

Q.12 Oregon recently passed a law called The Wildlife Corridor and Safe Road Crossing Act, which requires state transportation agencies and wildlife officials to collect data and develop a plan to help animals complete their migration routes. The law does not provide funding to execute the plans they develop.

Would you support or oppose increasing public funding for the construction of wildlife crossing structures, such as overpasses and underpasses across major highways that intersect with known, concentrated wildlife migration routes?

	Total	Hunting/ Fishing License
Strongly support	46	42
Somewhat support	29	29
Somewhat oppose.....	9	9
Strongly oppose	12	15
(Don't know/refused)	4	5
Total Support.....	75	71
Total Oppose	20	24
Support - Oppose.....	55	47

¹ Half of all respondents answered questions marked as SPLIT A while the other half answered questions marked as SPLIT B.