Central Umpqua Mid Klamath Oak Habitat Conservation Project

**Achieving Partners in Flight Strategic Goals on Private Lands**

1. Realizes landbird priorities and objectives within Natural Resources Conservation Service initiatives
2. Links specific landbird communities to desired outcomes of private lands conservation programs

This landscape-scale collaborative effort to restore oak woodlands on private lands in southern Oregon and northern California received the 2012 Department of the Interior Partners in Conservation Award for its success in leveraging over $3.8 million to restore 2,000 acres of oak habitat. Lomakatsi Restoration Project and Klamath Bird Observatory, two local NGOs, are using regional Partners in Flight conservation plans to guide the restoration. Habitat objectives for Oak Titmouse, Acorn Woodpecker, Black-throated Gray Warbler, and other oak woodland species are providing details for management prescriptions designed to create oak woodland habitat mosaics, restore native perennial grasses, and reintroduce natural fire regimes whenever possible. Bird monitoring is being integrated into habitat monitoring efforts to evaluate and demonstrate the return of ecological integrity.

**Project Partners**

- Lomakatsi Restoration Project
- Klamath Bird Observatory
- NRCS Offices (Douglas, Jackson, and Siskiyou Counties)
- USFWS Offices (Portland, Klamath Falls, and Yreka)
- Oregon Department of Forestry
- Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Soil and Water Conservation Districts of Jackson and Josephine Counties
- USDA Bureau of Land Management (Roseburg, OR)
- Oregon State University
- Jackson County Small Woodlands Association
- The Nature Conservancy
- Northern California Resource Center
- Oregon Oak Communities Working Group

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The Acorn Woodpecker (left) and Oak Titmouse benefit from oak restoration activities under this project. Photos © Jim Livaudais.