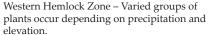
Vegetation Zones

Vegetation zones are areas with similar groups of plants.



Willamette Forest-Prairie Zone – Various forest, woodland, open savanna and prairie type groups of plants.

Alpine Zone – These relatively small areas are found only at the highest elevations and consist of small plants and low-lying shrubs.

Mixed Conifer and Broadleaf Forest Zone – This zone's plant groups have a mix of Oregon and Californian species.

Cascade Subalpine Forest Zone – Open meadow and forests form patterns according to elevation and snowpack.

Grand Fir and Douglas Fir Zone – The plant groups in this zone require only a moderate amount of water.

Ponderosa Pine Zone – Drier than the fir zones, these plant groups consist of Ponderosas with woody shrub or grassland.

Grasslands Zone – These areas have grassland plant groups with almost no trees or shrubs.

Western Juniper Zone – These open woodlands have Juniper trees with desert shrubs or sagebrush plant groups.

Big Sagebrush Zone – This large zone is dominated by sagebrush, with some other shrubs and grasses.

