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Forest Capital Partners Helps Conserve More than 3,800 Acres in Lincoln County, Oregon through a Unique Partnership

The land will be used to create a conservation easement to facilitate the restoration of marbled murrelets and other species devastated by the New Carissa oil spill in 1999.

Portland, Ore. — July 31, 2007 — Forest Capital Partners today announced that it has sold 3,685 acres of private working forestland in Lincoln County, Oregon, to The Conservation Fund for use in creating a conservation easement that will exceed 3,800 acres. As such, the timberland will be managed as habitat for marbled murrelets and other species adversely impacted by the New Carissa oil spill in 1999.

For more than a year, Forest Capital has worked closely with The Conservation Fund, various state and federal agencies, and others to facilitate the creation of the conservation easement in accordance with the final recovery plan for damages caused by the New Carissa oil spill. The first, integral step in the process was the sale of working forestland by private landowners. The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon will own and manage the land in accordance with the legally binding assurances included in the terms of the easement.

“This project is a great example of how private landowners, conservation organizations, public agencies and other entities can partner together to promote conservation,” noted Brian J. Kernohan, Manager of Wildlife & Forest Stewardship for Forest Capital. “We are proud to provide a portion of our working forests to assist in these invaluable restoration efforts.”

“These lands, now permanently protected for future generations, are a testament to the great stewardship of Forest Capital Partners,” said Larry Selzer, President of The Conservation Fund. “Together, we demonstrate the importance of collaboration as the tool of choice for conservation in the 21st century.”

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Founded in 2000, Forest Capital Partners is a private forest landowner that acquires and manages working forests across North America for long-term sustainability. With 20 offices and more than 125 employees, the organization actively manages more than 2.1 million acres of forests under sustainable forest management guidelines set forth by the Sustainable Forestry Initiative®. Forest Capital Partners is a leading grower of environmentally certified timber products and active participant in non-timber forest markets.

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