

Interested in wolves and cougars? Register for free presentation

The Oregon Wildlife Heritage Foundation invites you to learn about Oregon's top predators, gray wolves and cougars, as it kicks off its Discovering Wildlife Speaker Series with a free presentation by state wildlife biologists on Wednesday, February 16, at 6:30 p.m. in Portland.

Both species have a fascinating life history and their stories will be told by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife biologists who study, manage and work with them. Tim Hiller, ODFW carnivore coordinator, and Russ Morgan, ODFW wolf coordinator, will discuss the life history, status and challenges

of monitoring and managing the state's populations.

Admission is free, but registration is required. Register online at the Foundation's website www.owhf.org or call 503-255-6059. The hour-long event will be held at the Billy Frank Jr. Conference Center of the Ecotrust Building in Portland's

Pearl District, 721 NW Ninth Avenue, Portland.

The Oregon Wildlife Heritage Foundation champions projects that benefit fish, wildlife and habitat for access, education and enjoyment by all. Since its founding, the Foundation has directed millions of dollars in funding to

fish, wildlife and habitat projects. OWHF and ODFW work together to implement the Oregon Conservation Strategy, a blueprint and action plan for the long-term conservation of Oregon's native fish and wildlife and their habitats.

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