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**Steve Higgs, Executive Director**

Steve works with a great team to lead SAGE's efforts to inspire people over fifty to give forward for younger and future generations. Steve is responsible for implementing SAGE's strategic initiatives and programs, and managing the organization's administrative and financial operations.

Prior to joining SAGE, Steve practiced environmental law at Perkins Coie LLP, where he represented public and private sector clients on project development and complex litigation. He also served as Chair of the Sustainability Team, Co-Chair of the Associated Oregon Industries Water and Cleanup Committee, and pro bono counsel to numerous nonprofit organizations and small businesses.

Earlier in his career, Steve gained experience in collaborative problem solving as a U.S. Fulbright Fellow in New Zealand, in program evaluation and strategy at the Ecosystem Management Initiative at the University of Michigan, and in nonprofit conservation campaigns at American Rivers in Washington DC.

Steve holds a bachelor's degree from Colby College, a M.S. from the University of Michigan School for Environment and Sustainability (SEAS), and a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School.

In Portland, he volunteers as an Alumni Club Leader for SEAS, and as a Legacy Fellow, where he is leading an initiative to engage pro bono lawyers in projects that advance climate solutions. Steve is also an assistant coach for his daughter's soccer team. He enjoys time with family and friends, especially while biking, hiking and skiing.

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