

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES,  
THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF  
THE STATE OF OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM FOR ) FINAL ORDER A  
COMPENSATION UNDER ORS 197.352 ) CLAIM NO. M129999  
(BALLOT MEASURE 37) OF )  
Ronald and Ardis Nofziger, CLAIMANTS )

Claimants: Ronald and Ardis Nofziger (the Claimants)

Property: Township 4S, Range 1E, Section 26, Tax lot 1701, Clackamas County  
(the Property)

Claim: The demand for compensation and any supporting information received from the  
Claimants by the State of Oregon (the Claim).

Claimants submitted the Claim to the State of Oregon under ORS 197.352. Under OAR 125-145-0010 *et seq.*, the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) referred the Claim to the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) as the regulating entity. This order is based on the record herein, including the Findings and Conclusions set forth in the Final Staff Report and Recommendation of DLCD (the DLCD Report) attached to and by this reference incorporated into this order.

ORDER

The Claim is approved as to laws administered by DLCD and the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) for the reasons set forth in the DLCD Report, and subject to the following terms:

1. In lieu of compensation under ORS 197.352, the State of Oregon will not apply the following laws to Ronald and Ardis Nofziger's development of a dwelling on the five-acre subject property: applicable provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted after each claimant acquired the subject property. These laws will not apply to the claimants only to the extent necessary to allow them to use the subject property for the use described in this report, and only to the extent that use was permitted when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on November 27, 1977, and when Ardis Nofziger acquired the subject property on May 3, 1995. The department acknowledges that the relief to which Ardis Nofziger is entitled under ORS 197.352 will not allow her to use the subject property in the manner set forth in the claim.
2. The action by the State of Oregon provides the state's authorization to the claimants to use the subject property for the use described in this report, subject to the standards in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property on November 24, 1977, and when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on May 3, 1995. In 1977, the property was subject to applicable

provisions of Goal 3 and ORS 215 then in effect. In 1995, the property was subject to the standards of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, as described in Section V.(2) of this report.

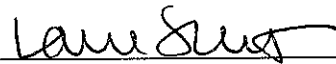
3. To the extent that any law, order, deed, agreement or other legally enforceable public or private requirement provides that the subject property may not be used without a permit, license or other form of authorization or consent, the order will not authorize the use of the property unless the claimants first obtain that permit, license or other form of authorization or consent. Such requirements may include, but are not limited to: a building permit, a land use decision, a "permit" as defined in ORS 215.402 or 227.160, other permits or authorizations from local, state or federal agencies and restrictions on the use of the subject property imposed by private parties.

4. Any use of the subject property by the claimants under the terms of the order will remain subject to the following laws: (a) those laws not specified in (1) above; (b) any laws enacted or enforced by a public entity other than the Commission or the department; and (c) those laws not subject to ORS 197.352 including, without limitation, those laws exempted under ORS 197.352(3).

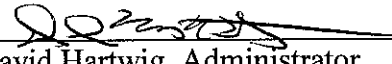
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This Order is entered by the Director of the DLCD as a final order of DLCD and the Land Conservation and Development Commission under ORS 197.352, OAR 660-002-0010(8), and OAR 125, division 145, and by the Administrator for the State Services Division of the DAS as a final order of DAS under ORS 197.352, OAR 125, division 145, and ORS 293.

FOR DLCD AND THE LAND  
CONSERVATION AND  
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

  
Lane Shetterly, Director  
DLCD  
Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2007.

FOR the DEPARTMENT OF  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

  
David Hartwig, Administrator  
DAS, State Services Division  
Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2007.

## **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL OR OTHER JUDICIAL RELIEF**

You are entitled, or may be entitled, to judicial remedies including the following:

1. Judicial review under ORS 183.484: Judicial review under ORS 183.484 may be obtained by filing a petition for review within 60 days from the service of this order. A petition for judicial review under ORS 183.484 may be filed in the Circuit Court for Marion County or the Circuit Court in the county in which you reside.
2. A cause of action under ORS 197.352 (Measure 37 (2004)): If a land use regulation continues to apply to the subject property more than 180 days after the present owner of the property has made written demand for compensation under ORS 197.352, the present owner of the property, or any interest therein, shall have a cause of action in the circuit court in which the real property is located.

(Copies of the documents that comprise the record are available for review at the Department's office at 635 Capitol Street NE, Suite 150, Salem, Oregon 97301-2540)

### **FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

The Oregon Department of Justice has advised the Department of Land Conservation and Development that “[i]f the current owner of the real property conveys the property before the new use allowed by the public entity is established, then the entitlement to relief will be lost.”

**ORS 197.352 (BALLOT MEASURE 37) CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION**  
**OREGON DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT**  
**Final Staff Report and Recommendation**

March 1, 2007

**STATE CLAIM NUMBER:** M129999  
Report A<sup>1</sup>

**NAMES OF CLAIMANTS:** Ronald and Ardis Nofziger

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 10207 South Heinz Road  
Canby, Oregon 97013

**PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION:** Township 4S, Range 1E, Section 26  
Tax lot 1701  
Clackamas County

**OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION:** Andrew K. Kauffman  
Kauffman & Hess-Yoder, LLP  
PO Box 1398  
Wilsonville, Oregon 97070

**DATE RECEIVED BY DAS:** September 9, 2006

**180-DAY DEADLINE:** March 7, 2007

**I. SUMMARY OF CLAIM**

The claimants, Ronald and Ardis Nofziger, seek compensation in the amount of \$200,000 for the reduction in fair market value as a result of land use regulations that are alleged to restrict the use of certain private real property. The claimants desire compensation or the right to develop a dwelling on the five-acre subject property. The subject property is located on Dryland Road and Heinz Road, near Canby, in Clackamas County. (See claim.)

**II. SUMMARY OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Based on the findings and conclusions set forth below, the Department of Land Conservation and Development (the department) has determined that the claim is valid. Department staff recommends that, in lieu of compensation, the requirements of the following state laws enforced by the Land Conservation and Development Commission (the Commission) or the department not apply to Ronald and Ardis Nofziger's development of a dwelling on the five-acre subject property: applicable provisions of Statewide Planning Goal 3 (Agricultural Lands), ORS 215

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<sup>1</sup>Three tax lots were identified in claim M129999. This staff report addresses only tax lot 1701. The remaining tax lots are addressed in companion Staff Reports B and C.

and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 660, division 33, enacted or adopted after each claimant acquired the subject property. These laws will not apply to the claimants only to the extent necessary to allow them to use the subject property for the use described in this report, and only to the extent that use was permitted when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on November 24, 1977, and only to the extent that use was permitted when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on May 3, 1995. The department acknowledges that the relief to which Ardis Nofziger is entitled under ORS 197.352 will not allow her to use the subject property in the manner set forth in the claim. (See the complete recommendation in Section VI. of this report.)

### **III. COMMENTS ON THE CLAIM**

#### **Comments Received**

On December 11, 2006, pursuant to OAR 125-145-0080, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) provided written notice to the owners of surrounding properties. According to DAS, no written comments were received in response to the 10-day notice.

### **IV. TIMELINESS OF CLAIM**

#### **Requirement**

ORS 197.352(5) requires that a written demand for compensation be made:

1. For claims arising from land use regulations enacted prior to the effective date of Measure 37 (December 2, 2004), within two years of that effective date, or the date the public entity applies the land use regulation as an approval criteria to an application submitted by the owner, whichever is later; or
2. For claims arising from land use regulations enacted after the effective date of Measure 37 (December 2, 2004), within two years of the enactment of the land use regulation, or the date the owner of the property submits a land use application in which the land use regulation is an approval criteria, whichever is later.

#### **Findings of Fact**

This claim was submitted to DAS on September 9, 2006, for processing under OAR 125, division 145. The claim identifies Goal 3, ORS chapter 215 and OAR division 660 as the basis for the claim. Only laws that were enacted or adopted prior to December 2, 2004, are the basis for this claim.

#### **Conclusions**

The claim has been submitted within two years of the effective date of Measure 37 (December 2, 2004), based on land use regulations enacted or adopted prior to December 2, 2004, and is therefore timely filed.

## V. ANALYSIS OF CLAIM

### 1. Ownership

ORS 197.352 provides for payment of compensation or relief from specific laws for “owners” as that term is defined in ORS 197.352. ORS 197.352(11)(C) defines “owner” as “the present owner of the property, or any interest therein.”

### Findings of Fact

Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on November 24, 1977, as reflected by a deed card included with the claim.<sup>2</sup> On May 3, 1995, Ronald Nofziger transferred the property to himself and his wife Ardis Nofziger, as trustees of the Ronald L. Nofziger Revocable Living Trust, as reflected by a warranty deed included with the claim.<sup>3</sup> The Clackamas County Assessor’s Office confirms the claimants’ current ownership of the subject property.

### Conclusions

The claimants, Ronald and Ardis Nofziger, are “owners” of the subject property as that term is defined by ORS 197.352(11)(C). Ronald Nofziger has been an owner since November 24, 1977. Ardis Nofziger has been an owner since May 3, 1995. Ronald Nofziger is a “family member” of Ardis Nofziger as that term is defined by ORS 197.352(11)(A).

### 2. The Laws That are the Basis for This Claim

In order to establish a valid claim, ORS 197.352(1) requires, in part, that a law must restrict the claimants’ use of private real property in a manner that reduces the fair market value of the property relative to how the property could have been used at the time the claimants acquired the property.

### Findings of Fact

The claim indicates that claimants desire to develop a dwelling on the five-acre subject property and that the desired use is not allowed under current land use regulations.

The claim is based generally on the applicable provisions of state law that require Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) zoning and restrict uses on EFU-zoned land. The claimants’ property is zoned EFU as required by Goal 3, in accordance with ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, because the claimants’ property is “agricultural land” as defined by Goal 3.<sup>4</sup> Goal 3 became effective on January 25, 1975, and required that agricultural lands as defined by Goal 3 be zoned EFU pursuant to ORS 215.

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<sup>2</sup> Claimant Ronald Nofziger asserts in the claim that he acquired the property on September 15, 1971. However, the claimants have not provided documentation to substantiate this asserted acquisition date. Absent documentation from the claimants to establish an earlier acquisition date, the department must rely on the available documentation to establish the date of acquisition.

<sup>3</sup> Transfer of property to a revocable trust does not result in a change in ownership for purposes of ORS 197.352.

<sup>4</sup> The claimants’ property is “agricultural land” because it contains Natural Resources Conservation Service Class I-IV soils.

Current land use regulations, particularly ORS 215.284 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted pursuant to Goal 3, establish standards for the development of dwellings on existing or proposed parcels on EFU-zoned land.

OAR 660-033-0135 (applicable to farm dwellings) became effective on March 1, 1994, and interprets the statutory standard for a primary dwelling in an EFU zone under ORS 215.283(1)(f). OAR 660-033-0130(4) (applicable to non-farm dwellings) became effective on August 7, 1993, and was amended to comply with ORS 215.284(4) on March 1, 1994. The Commission subsequently adopted amendments to comply with House Bill 3326 (Chapter 704, Oregon Laws 2001, effective on January 1, 2002), which were effective on May 22, 2002. (See administrative rule history for OAR 660-033-0100, -0130 and -0135.)

Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property after the adoption of the statewide planning goals, but before the Commission acknowledged Clackamas County's land use regulations to be in compliance with the statewide planning goals pursuant to ORS 197.250 and 197.251. Because the Commission had not acknowledged the county's plan and land use regulations when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on November 24, 1977, the statewide planning goals, and Goal 3 in particular, applied directly to the claimants' property when he acquired it.<sup>5</sup>

As adopted on January 25, 1975, Goal 3 required that agricultural land be preserved and zoned for EFU pursuant to ORS 215. Under the Goal 3 standards in effect on November 24, 1977, farm dwellings were allowed if they were determined to be "customarily provided in conjunction with farm use" under ORS 215.213(1)(e) (1973 edition). Non-farm dwellings were subject to compliance with ORS 215.213(3) (1973 edition).

No information has been presented in the claim to establish that the claimants' desired development of a dwelling on the subject property complies with the "commercial" standard for farm parcels under Goal 3 or the standards for non-farm parcels under ORS 215.263 (1973 edition), nor is there any information to establish that the claimants' desired development of a dwelling on the subject property satisfies the standards for farm or non-farm dwellings under ORS 215.213 (1973 edition).

## **Conclusions**

The current zoning requirements and dwelling standards established by Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, do not allow the claimants' desired development of the subject property. However, the claim does not establish whether or the extent to which the claimants' desired use of the subject property complies with the standards for development under the requirements of

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<sup>5</sup> The statewide planning goals became effective on January 25, 1975, and were applicable to legislative land use decisions and some quasi-judicial land use decisions prior to the Commission's acknowledgment of each county's comprehensive plan and implementing regulations. *Perkins v. City of Rajneeshpuram*, 300 Or 1 (1985); *Alexanderson v. Polk County*, 289 Or 427, rev. den 290 Or 137 (1980); *Sunnyside Neighborhood Assn. v. Clackamas County*, 280 Or 3 (1977); *Jurgenson v. Union County*, 42 Or App 505 (1979); and *1000 Friends of Oregon v. Benton County*, 32 Or App 413 (1978). After the county's plan and land use regulations were acknowledged by the Commission, the statewide planning goals and implementing rules no longer applied directly to such local land use decisions. *Byrd v. Stringer*, 295 Or 311 (1983). However, statutory requirements continue to apply, and insofar as the state and local provisions are materially the same, the local provisions must be interpreted consistent with the substance of the goals and implementing rules. *Forster v. Polk County*, 115 Or App 475 (1992) and *Kenagy v. Benton County*, 115 Or App 131 (1992).

Goal 3 and ORS 215 in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on November 24, 1977.

This report addresses only those state laws that are identified in the claim, or that the department is certain apply to the subject property based on the uses that the claimants have identified. There may be other laws that currently apply to the claimants' use of the subject property, and that may continue to apply to the claimants' use of the property, that have not been identified in the claim. In some cases, it will not be possible to know which laws apply to a use of the subject property until there is a specific proposal for that use. When the claimants seek a building or development permit to carry out a specific use, it may become evident that other state laws apply to that use.

### **3. Effect of Regulations on Fair Market Value**

In order to establish a valid claim, ORS 197.352(1) requires that the land use regulations (described in Section V.(2) of this report) must have "the effect of reducing the fair market value of the property, or any interest therein."

### **Findings of Fact**

The claim includes an estimate of \$200,000 as the reduction in the subject property's fair market value due to the regulations that restrict the claimants' desired use of the property. This amount is based on the claimants' assessment of the subject property's value.

### **Conclusions**

As explained in Section V.(1) of this report, the claimants are Ronald Nofziger who acquired the subject property on November 24, 1977, and his wife Ardis Nofziger. Under ORS 197.352, the claimants are due compensation for land use regulations that restrict the use of the subject property and have the effect of reducing its fair market value. Based on the findings and conclusions in Section V.(2) of this report, laws enacted or adopted since Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property restrict the claimants' desired use of the property. The claimants estimate that the effect of the regulations on the fair market value of the subject property is a reduction of \$200,000.

Without an appraisal or other documentation and without verification of whether or the extent to which the claimants' desired use of the subject property was allowed under the standards in effect when they acquired the property, it is not possible to substantiate the specific dollar amount by which the land use regulations have reduced the fair market value of the property. Nevertheless, based on the evidence in the record for this claim, the department determines that the fair market value of the subject property has been reduced to some extent as a result of land use regulations enforced by the Commission or the department.

### **4. Exemptions Under ORS 197.352(3)**

ORS 197.352 does not apply to certain land use regulations. In addition, under ORS 197.352(3), certain types of laws are exempt from ORS 197.352.

### **Findings of Fact**

The claim is based on state land use regulations that restrict the use of the subject property, including applicable provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, which Clackamas County has implemented through its current EFU zone. With the exception of provisions of Goal 3 and ORS 215 in effect on November 24, 1977, these land use regulations were enacted or adopted after Ronald Nofziger acquired the property.

### **Conclusions**

Without a specific development proposal for the subject property, it is not possible for the department to determine all the laws that may apply to a particular use of the property, or whether those laws may fall under one or more of the exemptions under ORS 197.352. With the exception of provisions of Goal 3 and ORS 215 in effect in 1977, it appears that the statutory, goal and rule restrictions on residential development of subject property were not in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property, and therefore, these laws are not exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(E). Provisions of Goal 3 and ORS 215 in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property in 1977 are exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(E) and do not provide a basis for compensation. In addition, laws enacted or adopted for a purpose set forth in ORS 197.352(3)(A) to (D) are also exempt and would not provide a basis for compensation.

## **VI. FORM OF RELIEF**

ORS 197.352(1) provides for payment of compensation to an owner of private real property if the Commission or the department has enforced one or more laws that restrict the use of the property in a manner that reduces its fair market value. In lieu of compensation, the department may choose to not apply the law in order to allow the present owner to carry out a use of the property permitted at the time the present owner acquired the property. The Commission, by rule, has directed that if the department determines a claim is valid, the Director of the department must provide only non-monetary relief unless and until funds are appropriated by the legislature to pay claims.

### **Findings of Fact**

Based on the findings and conclusions set forth in this report, laws enforced by the Commission or the department restrict the claimants' desired use of the subject property. The claim asserts that existing state land use regulations enforced by the Commission or the department have the effect of reducing the fair market value of the subject property by \$200,000. However, because the claim does not provide an appraisal or other relevant evidence demonstrating that the land use regulations described in Section V.(2) reduce the fair market value of the subject property, a specific amount of compensation cannot be determined. In order to determine a specific amount of compensation due for this claim, it would also be necessary to verify whether or the extent to which the claimants' desired use of the subject property was allowed under the standards in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property. Nevertheless, based on the record for this claim, the department has determined that the laws on which the claim is based have reduced the fair market value of the subject property to some extent.

No funds have been appropriated at this time for the payment of claims. In lieu of payment of compensation, ORS 197.352 authorizes the department to modify, remove or not apply all or parts of certain land use regulations to allow Ronald Nofziger to use the subject property for a use permitted at the time he acquired the property on November 24, 1977, and to allow Ardis Nofziger to use the subject property for a use permitted at the time she acquired the property on May 3, 1995.

At the time the Ardis Nofziger acquired an interest in the subject property, it was zoned EFU by Clackamas County and subject to the current lot size and dwelling standards under Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, and as described in Section V.(2) of this report.

In addition to the provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, in effect when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property, and other laws in effect when either claimant acquired the property, there may be other laws that continue to apply to the claimants' use of the property that have not been identified in the claim. In some cases, it will not be possible to know which laws apply to a use of property until there is a specific proposal for that use. When Ronald Nofziger seeks a building or development permit to carry out a specific use, and depending on when they were enacted or adopted, may continue to apply to the claimants' property. In addition, some of these laws may be exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(A) to (D) and will continue to apply to the subject property on that basis.

This report addresses only those state laws that are identified in the claim, or that the department is certain apply to the subject property based on the uses that the claimants have identified. Similarly, this report only addresses the exemptions provided for under ORS 197.352(3) that are clearly applicable given the information provided to the department in the claim. The claimants should be aware that the less information they have provided to the department in the claim, the greater the possibility that there may be additional laws that will later be determined to continue to apply to their use of the subject property.

### **Conclusions**

Based on the record, the department recommends that the claim be approved, subject to the following terms:

1. In lieu of compensation under ORS 197.352, the State of Oregon will not apply the following laws to Ronald and Ardis Nofziger's development of a dwelling on the five-acre subject property: applicable provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted after each claimant acquired the subject property. These laws will not apply to the claimants only to the extent necessary to allow them to use the subject property for the use described in this report, and only to the extent that use was permitted when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on November 27, 1977, and when Ardis Nofziger acquired the subject property on May 3, 1995. The department acknowledges that the relief to which Ardis Nofziger is entitled under ORS 197.352 will not allow her to use the subject property in the manner set forth in the claim.
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5. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing terms and conditions, in order for the claimants to use the subject property, it may be necessary for them to obtain a decision under ORS 197.352 from a city and/or county and/or metropolitan service district that enforces land use regulations applicable to the property. Nothing in this order relieves the claimants from the necessity of obtaining a decision under ORS 197.352 from a local public entity that has jurisdiction to enforce a land use regulation applicable to a use of the subject property by the claimants.

## **VII. COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT STAFF REPORT**

The department issued its draft staff report on this claim on February 8, 2007. OAR 125-145 0100(3), provided an opportunity for the claimants or the claimants' authorized agent and any third parties who submitted comments under OAR 125-145-0080 to submit written comments, evidence and information in response to the draft staff report and recommendation.

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applicable provisions ORS 215 then in effect. In 1995, the property was subject to the standards of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, as described in Section V.(2) of this report.


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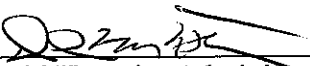
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Lane Shetterly, Director  
DLCD  
Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2007.

FOR the DEPARTMENT OF  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

  
David Hartwig, Administrator  
DAS, State Services Division  
Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2007.

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**ORS 197.352 (BALLOT MEASURE 37) CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION**  
**OREGON DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT**  
**Final Staff Report and Recommendation**

March 1, 2007

**STATE CLAIM NUMBER:** M129999  
Report B<sup>1</sup>

**NAMES OF CLAIMANTS:** Ronald and Ardis Nofziger

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 10207 South Heinz Road  
Canby, Oregon 97013

**PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION:** Township 4S, Range 1E, Section 26  
Tax lot 500  
Clackamas County

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**I. SUMMARY OF CLAIM**

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Based on the findings and conclusions set forth below, the Department of Land Conservation and Development (the department) has determined that the claim is valid. Department staff recommends that, in lieu of compensation, the requirements of the following state laws enforced by the Land Conservation and Development Commission (the Commission) or the department not apply to Ronald and Ardis Nofziger's development of a dwelling on the 21-acre subject property: applicable provisions of Statewide Planning Goal 3 (Agricultural Lands), ORS 215

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### **III. COMMENTS ON THE CLAIM**

#### **Comments Received**

On December 11, 2006, pursuant to OAR 125-145-0080, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) provided written notice to the owners of surrounding properties. According to DAS, no written comments were received in response to the 10-day notice.

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#### **Requirement**

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#### **Findings of Fact**

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#### **Conclusions**

The claim has been submitted within two years of the effective date of Measure 37 (December 2, 2004), based on land use regulations enacted or adopted prior to December 2, 2004, and is therefore timely filed.

## V. ANALYSIS OF CLAIM

### **1. Ownership**

ORS 197.352 provides for payment of compensation or relief from specific laws for “owners” as that term is defined in ORS 197.352. ORS 197.352(11)(C) defines “owner” as “the present owner of the property, or any interest therein.”

### **Findings of Fact**

Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on May 29, 1992, as reflected by a personal representatives deed included with the claim.<sup>2</sup> On May 3, 1995, Ronald Nofziger transferred the subject property to himself and his wife Ardis Nofziger, as trustees of the Ronald L. Nofziger Revocable Living Trust, as reflected by a warranty deed included with the claim.<sup>3</sup> The Clackamas County Assessor’s Office confirms the claimants’ current ownership of the subject property.

### **Conclusions**

The claimants, Ronald and Ardis Nofziger, are “owners” of the subject property as that term is defined by ORS 197.352(11)(C). Ronald Nofziger has been an owner since May 22, 1992. Ardis Nofziger has been an owner since May 3, 1995. Ronald Nofziger is a “family member” of Ardis Nofziger, as that term is defined by ORS 197.352(11)(A).

### **2. The Laws That are the Basis for This Claim**

In order to establish a valid claim, ORS 197.352(1) requires, in part, that a law must restrict the claimants’ use of private real property in a manner that reduces the fair market value of the property relative to how the property could have been used at the time the claimants or a family member acquired the property.

### **Findings of Fact**

The claim indicates that claimants desire to develop a dwelling on the 21-acre subject property and that the desired use is not allowed under current land use regulations.

The claim is based generally on the applicable provisions of state law that require Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) zoning and restrict uses on EFU-zoned land. The claimants’ property is zoned EFU as required by Goal 3, in accordance with ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, because the

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<sup>2</sup> The claimants assert in the claim that Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on May 29, 1979, and Ardis Nofziger acquired an interest in the property on May 29, 1992. The claimants provided an affidavit of Ronald Nofziger, attesting that he had an interest as a lessee under an agricultural lease of 1979; however, the claim includes no documentation to establish that the purported agricultural lease gave Ronald Nofziger the right to carry out the use of the property that the claimants now state is being restricted. Additionally, the claimants provided no deed or other conveyance document to support an acquisition date of May 29, 1992, for Ardis Nofziger. Absent documentation from the claimants to establish an earlier acquisition date, the department must rely on the available documentation to establish the date of acquisition.

<sup>3</sup> Transfer of property to a revocable trust does not result in a change in ownership for purposes of ORS 197.352.

claimants' property is "agricultural land" as defined by Goal 3.<sup>4</sup> Goal 3 became effective on January 25, 1975, and required that agricultural lands as defined by Goal 3 be zoned EFU pursuant to ORS 215.

Current land use regulations, particularly ORS 215.284 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted pursuant to Goal 3, establish standards for development of dwellings on existing or proposed parcels on EFU-zoned land.

OAR 660-033-0135 (applicable to farm dwellings) became effective on March 1, 1994, and interprets the statutory standard for a primary dwelling in an EFU zone under ORS 215.283(1)(f). OAR 660-033-0130(4) (applicable to non-farm dwellings) became effective on August 7, 1993, and was amended to comply with ORS 215.284(4) on March 1, 1994. The Commission subsequently adopted amendments to comply with House Bill 3326 (Chapter 704, Oregon Laws 2001, effective on January 1, 2002), which were effective on May 22, 2002. (See administrative rule history for OAR 660-033-0100, -0130 and -0135.)

At the time Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property, it was subject to Clackamas County's acknowledged EFU zone.<sup>5</sup> When Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property, the claimants' desired use of the property would have been governed by the county's acknowledged EFU zone and the applicable provisions of ORS 215 then in effect.<sup>6</sup> In 1992, ORS 215.283(1)(f) (1991 edition) generally allowed farm dwellings "customarily provided in conjunction with farm use." Non-farm dwellings were allowed under ORS 215.283(3) if they were determined to be compatible with farm use, not interfere seriously with accepted farm practices, not materially alter the stability of the land use pattern in the area and be situated on generally unsuitable land for the production of farm crops and livestock.

The claim does not establish whether or to what extent the claimants' desired development of a dwelling on the subject property was allowed under the standards in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property on May 29, 1992.

### **Conclusions**

The current zoning requirements and dwelling standards established by Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, were all enacted or adopted after Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property in 1992 and do not allow his desired development of the property. However, the claim does not establish whether or to what extent the claimants' desired use of the subject property complies with the standards for development under Goal 3 and OAR 660, as implemented

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<sup>4</sup> The claimants' property is "agricultural land" because it contains Natural Resources Conservation Service Class I-IV soils.

<sup>5</sup> Clackamas County's EFU zone was acknowledged by the Commission for compliance with Goal 3 on December 31, 1981.

<sup>6</sup> After the county's comprehensive plan and land use regulations were acknowledged by the Commission as complying with the statewide planning goals, the goals and implementing rules no longer applied directly to individual local land use decisions. *Byrd v. Stringer*, 295 Or 311 (1983). However, statutory requirements continue to apply, and insofar as the state and local provisions are materially the same, the local provisions must be interpreted consistent with the substance of the goals and implementing rules. *Forster v. Polk County*, 115 Or App 475 (1992) and *Kenagy v. Benton County*, 115 Or App 131 (1992).

through Clackamas County's comprehensive plan and EFU zone and applicable provisions of ORS 215, in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property on May 29, 1992.

This report addresses only those state laws that are identified in the claim, or that the department is certain apply to the subject property based on the use that the claimants have identified. There may be other laws that currently apply to the claimants' use of the subject property, and that may continue to apply to the claimants' use of the property, that have not been identified in the claim. In some cases, it will not be possible to know which laws apply to a use of the subject property until there is a specific proposal for that use. When the claimants seek a building or development permit to carry out a specific use, it may become evident that other state laws apply to that use.

### **3. Effect of Regulations on Fair Market Value**

In order to establish a valid claim, ORS 197.352(1) requires that the land use regulations (described in Section V.(2) of this report) must have "the effect of reducing the fair market value of the property, or any interest therein."

#### **Findings of Fact**

The claim includes an estimate of \$300,000 as the reduction in the subject property's fair market value due to the regulations that restrict the claimants' desired use of the property. This amount is based on the claimants' assessment of the subject property's value.

#### **Conclusions**

As explained in Section V.(1) of this report, the claimants are Ronald Nofziger, who acquired the subject property on May 29, 1992, and his wife Ardis Nofziger. Under ORS 197.352, the claimants are due compensation for land use regulations that restrict the use of the subject property and have the effect of reducing its fair market value. Based on the findings and conclusions in Section V.(2) of this report, laws enacted or adopted since Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property restrict the claimants' desired use of the property. The claimants estimate that the effect of the regulations on the fair market value of the subject property is a reduction of \$300,000.

Without an appraisal or other documentation and without verification of whether or the extent to which the claimants' desired use of the subject property was allowed under the standards in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property, it is not possible to substantiate the specific dollar amount by which the land use regulations have reduced the fair market value of the property. Nevertheless, based on the evidence in the record for this claim, the department determines that the fair market value of the subject property has been reduced to some extent as a result of land use regulations enforced by the Commission or the department.

### **4. Exemptions Under ORS 197.352(3)**

ORS 197.352 does not apply to certain land use regulations. In addition, under ORS 197.352(3), certain types of laws are exempt from ORS 197.352.

### **Findings of Fact**

The claim is based on state land use regulations that restrict the use of the subject property, including applicable provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, which Clackamas County has implemented through its current EFU zone. With the exception of amendments enacted or adopted after May 29, 1992, Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660 were in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property.

### **Conclusions**

Without a specific development proposal for the subject property, it is not possible for the department to determine all the laws that may apply to a particular use of the property, or whether those laws may fall under one or more of the exemptions under ORS 197.352. It appears that the general statutory, goal and rule restrictions on development of the subject property are not exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(E) only to the extent they were enacted or adopted after Ronald Nofziger acquired the property on May 29, 1992. Provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660 in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property in 1992 are exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(E) and do not provide a basis for compensation. In addition, laws enacted or adopted for a purpose set forth in ORS 197.352(3)(A) to (D) are also exempt and would not provide a basis for compensation.

## **VI. FORM OF RELIEF**

ORS 197.352(1) provides for payment of compensation to an owner of private real property if the Commission or the department has enforced one or more laws that restrict the use of the property in a manner that reduces its fair market value. In lieu of compensation, the department may choose to not apply the law in order to allow the present owner to carry out a use of the property permitted at the time the present owner acquired the property. The Commission, by rule, has directed that if the department determines a claim is valid, the Director of the department must provide only non-monetary relief unless and until funds are appropriated by the legislature to pay claims.

### **Findings of Fact**

Based on the findings and conclusions set forth in this report, laws enforced by the Commission or the department restrict the claimants' desired use of the subject property. The claim asserts that existing state land use regulations enforced by the Commission or the department have the effect of reducing the fair market value of the subject property by \$300,000. However, because the claim does not provide an appraisal or other relevant evidence demonstrating that the land use regulations described in Section V.(2) reduce the fair market value of the subject property, a specific amount of compensation cannot be determined. In order to determine a specific amount of the compensation due for this claim, it would also be necessary to verify whether or the extent to which the claimants' desired use of the subject property was allowed under the standards in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property. Nevertheless, based on the record for this claim, the department has determined that the laws on which the claim is based have reduced the fair market value of the subject property to some extent.

No funds have been appropriated at this time for the payment of claims. In lieu of payment of compensation, ORS 197.352 authorizes the department to modify, remove or not apply all or parts of certain land use regulations to allow Ronald Nofziger to use the subject property for a use permitted at the time he acquired the property on May 29, 1992, and to allow Ardis Nofziger to use the subject property for a use permitted at the time she acquired it on May 3, 1995.

At the time Ardis Nofziger acquired an interest in the subject property, it was zoned EFU by Clackamas County and subject to the current dwelling standards under Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, and as described in Section V.(2) of this report.

In addition to the provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, in effect when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on May 3, 1995, and other laws in effect when either claimant acquired the subject property, there may be other laws that continue to apply to the claimants' use of the property that have not been identified in the claim. In some cases, it will not be possible to know which laws apply to a use of the subject property until there is a specific proposal for that use. When Ronald Nofziger seeks a building or development permit to carry out a specific use, it may become evident that other state laws apply to that use, and depending on when they were enacted or adopted, may continue to apply to the claimants' property. In addition, some of these laws may be exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(A) to (D) and will continue to apply to the subject property on that basis.

This report addresses only those state laws that are identified in the claim, or that the department is certain apply to the subject property based on the uses that the claimants have identified. Similarly, this report only addresses the exemptions provided for under ORS 197.352(3) that are clearly applicable given the information provided to the department in the claim. The claimants should be aware that the less information they have provided to the department in the claim, the greater the possibility that there may be additional laws that will later be determined to continue to apply to their use of the subject property.

### **Conclusions**

Based on the record, the department recommends that the claim be approved, subject to the following terms:

1. In lieu of compensation under ORS 197.352, the State of Oregon will not apply the following laws to Ronald and Ardis Nofziger's development of a dwelling on the 21-acre subject property: applicable provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted after each claimant acquired the subject property. These laws will not apply to the claimants only to the extent necessary to allow them to use the subject property for the use described in this report, and only to the extent that use was permitted when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on May 29, 1992, and when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on May 3, 1995. The department acknowledges that the relief to which Ardis Nofziger is entitled under ORS 197.352 will not allow her to use the subject property in the manner set forth in the claim.
2. The action by the State of Oregon provides the state's authorization to the claimants to use the subject property for the use described in this report, subject to the standards in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property on May 29, 1992, and when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on May 3, 1995. In 1992, the property was subject to compliance with Goal 3 and OAR

660, division 5, as implemented by Clackamas County's acknowledged EFU zone, and the applicable provisions ORS 215 then in effect. In 1995, the property was subject to the standards of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, as described in Section V.(2) of this report.

3. To the extent that any law, order, deed, agreement or other legally enforceable public or private requirement provides that the subject property may not be used without a permit, license or other form of authorization or consent, the order will not authorize the use of the property unless the claimants first obtain that permit, license or other form of authorization or consent. Such requirements may include, but are not limited to: a building permit, a land use decision, a "permit" as defined in ORS 215.402 or 227.160, other permits or authorizations from local, state or federal agencies and restrictions on the use of the subject property imposed by private parties.

4. Any use of the property by the claimants under the terms of the order will remain subject to the following laws: (a) those laws not specified in (1) above; (b) any laws enacted or enforced by a public entity other than the Commission or the department; and (c) those laws not subject to ORS 197.352 including, without limitation, those laws exempted under ORS 197.352(3).

5. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing terms and conditions, in order for the claimants to use the subject property, it may be necessary for them to obtain a decision under ORS 197.352 from a city and/or county and/or metropolitan service district that enforces land use regulations applicable to the property. Nothing in this order relieves the claimants from the necessity of obtaining a decision under ORS 197.352 from a local public entity that has jurisdiction to enforce a land use regulation applicable to a use of the subject property by the claimants.

## **VII. COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT STAFF REPORT**

The department issued its draft staff report on this claim on February 8, 2007. OAR 125-145 0100(3), provided an opportunity for the claimants or the claimants' authorized agent and any third parties who submitted comments under OAR 125-145-0080 to submit written comments, evidence and information in response to the draft staff report and recommendation.

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES,  
THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF  
THE STATE OF OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM FOR	)	FINAL ORDER C
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(BALLOT MEASURE 37) OF	)	
Ronald and Ardis Nofziger, CLAIMANTS	)	

Claimants: Ronald and Ardis Nofziger (the Claimants)

Property: Township 4S, Range 1E, Section 26, Tax lot 504, Clackamas County  
(the Property)

Claim: The demand for compensation and any supporting information received from the Claimants by the State of Oregon (the Claim).

Claimants submitted the Claim to the State of Oregon under ORS 197.352. Under OAR 125-145-0010 *et seq.*, the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) referred the Claim to the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) as the regulating entity. This order is based on the record herein, including the Findings and Conclusions set forth in the Final Staff Report and Recommendation of DLCD (the DLCD Report) attached to and by this reference incorporated into this order.

ORDER

The Claim is approved as to laws administered by DLCD and the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) for the reasons set forth in the DLCD Report, and subject to the following terms:

1. In lieu of compensation under ORS 197.352, the State of Oregon will not apply the following laws to Ronald and Ardis Nofziger's development of a dwelling on the 30-acre subject property: applicable provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted after each claimant acquired the subject property. These laws will not apply to the claimants only to the extent necessary to allow them to use the subject property for the use described in this report, and only to the extent that use was permitted when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on June 7, 1979, and only to the extent the use was permitted when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on February 15, 1995. The department acknowledges that the relief to which Ardis Nofziger is entitled under ORS 197.352 will not allow her to use the subject property in the manner set forth in the claim.
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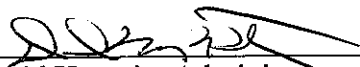
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This Order is entered by the Director of the DLCD as a final order of DLCD and the Land Conservation and Development Commission under ORS 197.352, OAR 660-002-0010(8), and OAR 125, division 145, and by the Administrator for the State Services Division of the DAS as a final order of DAS under ORS 197.352, OAR 125, division 145, and ORS 293.

FOR DLCD AND THE LAND  
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DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

  
Lane Shetterly, Director  
DLCD  
Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2007.

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#### **Findings of Fact**

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#### **Conclusions**

The claim has been submitted within two years of the effective date of Measure 37 (December 2, 2004), based on land use regulations enacted or adopted prior to December 2, 2004, and is therefore timely filed.

## V. ANALYSIS OF CLAIM

### 1. Ownership

ORS 197.352 provides for payment of compensation or relief from specific laws for “owners” as that term is defined in ORS 197.352. ORS 197.352(11)(C) defines “owner” as “the present owner of the property, or any interest therein.”

### Findings of Fact

Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on June 7, 1979, as reflected by a deed card included with the claim.<sup>2</sup> Ronald Nofziger conveyed an interest in the subject property to his wife Ardis Nofziger on February 15, 1995, as evidenced by a bargain and sale deed included with the claim. On May 3, 1995, the claimants transferred the subject property to the Ronald L. Nofziger Revocable Living Trust with themselves as trustees, as reflected by a warranty deed included with the claim.<sup>3</sup> The Clackamas County Assessor’s Office confirms the claimants’ current ownership of the subject property.

### Conclusions

The claimants, Ronald and Ardis Nofziger, are “owners” of the subject property as that term is defined by ORS 197.352(11)(C). Ronald Nofziger has been an owner since June 7, 1979. Ardis Nofziger has been an owner since February 15, 1995. Ronald Nofziger is a “family member” of Ardis Nofziger, as that term is defined by ORS 197.352(11)(A).

### 2. The Laws That are the Basis for This Claim

In order to establish a valid claim, ORS 197.352(1) requires, in part, that a law must restrict the claimants’ use of private real property in a manner that reduces the fair market value of the property relative to how the property could have been used at the time the claimants acquired the property.

### Findings of Fact

The claim indicates that claimants desire to develop a dwelling on the 30-acre subject property and that the desired use is not allowed under current land use regulations.

The claim is based generally on the applicable provisions of state law that require Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) zoning and restrict uses on EFU-zoned land. The claimants’ property is zoned EFU by Clackamas County as required by Goal 3, in accordance with ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, because the claimants’ property is “agricultural land” as defined by Goal 3.<sup>4</sup> Goal 3

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<sup>2</sup> The claimants assert in the claim that Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on May 29, 1979. However, the claimants have not provided documentation to substantiate that acquisition date. Absent documentation from the claimants to establish an earlier acquisition date, the department must rely on the available documentation to establish the date of acquisition.

<sup>3</sup> Transfer of property to a revocable trust does not result in a change in ownership for purposes of ORS 197.352.

<sup>4</sup> The claimants’ property is “agricultural land” because it contains Natural Resources Conservation Service Class I-IV soils.

became effective on January 25, 1975, and required that agricultural lands as defined by Goal 3 are zoned EFU pursuant to ORS 215.

Current land use regulations, particularly ORS 215.284 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted pursuant to Goal 3, establish standards for the development of dwellings on existing or proposed parcels on EFU-zoned land.

OAR 660-033-0135 (applicable to farm dwellings) became effective on March 1, 1994, and interprets the statutory standard for a primary dwelling in an EFU zone under ORS 215.283(1)(f). OAR 660-033-0130(4) (applicable to non-farm dwellings) became effective on August 7, 1993, and was amended to comply with ORS 215.284(4) on March 1, 1994. The Commission subsequently adopted amendments to comply with House Bill 3326 (Chapter 704, Oregon Laws 2001, effective on January 1, 2002), which were effective on May 22, 2002. (See administrative rule history for OAR 660-033-0100, -0130 and -0135.)

Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property after the adoption of the statewide planning goals, but before the Commission acknowledged Clackamas County's land use regulations to be in compliance with the statewide planning goals pursuant to ORS 197.250 and 197.251. Because the Commission had not acknowledged the county's plan and land use regulations when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on June 7, 1979, the statewide planning goals, and Goal 3 in particular, applied directly to the claimants' property when he acquired it.<sup>5</sup>

As adopted on January 25, 1975, Goal 3 required that agricultural land be preserved and zoned for EFU pursuant to ORS 215. Under the Goal 3 standards in effect on June 7, 1979, farm dwellings were allowed if they were determined to be "customarily provided in conjunction with farm use" under ORS 215.213(1)(e) (1973 edition). Non-farm dwellings were subject to compliance with ORS 215.213(3) (1973 edition).

No information has been presented in the claim to establish that the claimants' desired development of a dwelling on the subject property complies with the "commercial" standard for farm parcels under Goal 3 or the standards for non-farm parcels under ORS 215.263 (1973 edition), nor is there any information to establish that the claimants' desired development of a dwelling on the subject property satisfies the standards for farm or non-farm dwellings under ORS 215.213 (1973 edition).

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<sup>5</sup> The statewide planning goals became effective on January 25, 1975, and were applicable to legislative land use decisions and some quasi-judicial land use decisions prior to the Commission's acknowledgment of each county's comprehensive plan and implementing regulations. *Perkins v. City of Rajneeshpuram*, 300 Or 1 (1985); *Alexanderson v. Polk County*, 289 Or 427, rev. den 290 Or 137 (1980); *Sunnyside Neighborhood Assn. v. Clackamas County*, 280 Or 3 (1979); *Jurgenson v. Union County*, 42 Or App 505 (1979); and *1000 Friends of Oregon v. Benton County*, 32 Or App 413 (1978). After the county's plan and land use regulations were acknowledged by the Commission, the statewide planning goals and implementing rules no longer applied directly to such local land use decisions. *Byrd v. Stringer*, 295 Or 311 (1983). However, statutory requirements continue to apply, and insofar as the state and local provisions are materially the same, the local provisions must be interpreted consistent with the substance of the goals and implementing rules. *Forster v. Polk County*, 115 Or App 475 (1992) and *Kenagy v. Benton County*, 115 Or App 131 (1992).

## **Conclusions**

The current zoning requirements and dwelling standards established by Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, do not allow the claimants' desired development of the subject property. However, the claim does not establish whether or the extent to which the claimants' desired use of the subject property complies with the standards for development under the requirements of Goal 3 and ORS 215 in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on June 7, 1979.

This report addresses only those state laws that are identified in the claim, or that the department is certain apply to the subject property based on the uses that the claimants have identified. There may be other laws that currently apply to the claimants' use of the subject property, and that may continue to apply to the claimants' use of the property, that have not been identified in the claim. In some cases, it will not be possible to know which laws apply to a use of the subject property until there is a specific proposal for that use. When the claimants seek a building or development permit to carry out a specific use, it may become evident that other state laws apply to that use.

### **3. Effect of Regulations on Fair Market Value**

In order to establish a valid claim, ORS 197.352(1) requires that the land use regulations (described in Section V.(2) of this report) must have "the effect of reducing the fair market value of the property, or any interest therein."

### **Findings of Fact**

The claim includes an estimate of \$400,000 as the reduction in the subject property's fair market value due to the regulations that restrict the claimants' desired use of the property. This amount is based on the claimants' assessment of the subject property's value.

## **Conclusions**

As explained in Section V.(1) of this report, the claimants are Ronald Nofziger who acquired the subject property on June 7, 1979, and his wife Ardis Nofziger. Under ORS 197.352, the claimants are due compensation for land use regulations that restrict the use of the subject property and have the effect of reducing its fair market value. Based on the findings and conclusions in Section V.(2) of this report, laws enacted or adopted since Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property restrict the claimants' desired use of the property. The claimants estimate that the effect of the regulations on the fair market value of the subject property is a reduction of \$400,000.

Without an appraisal or other documentation and without verification of whether or the extent to which the claimants' desired use of the subject property was allowed under the standards in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property, it is not possible to substantiate the specific dollar amount by which the land use regulations have reduced the fair market value of the property. Nevertheless, based on the evidence in the record for this claim, the department determines that the fair market value of the subject property has been reduced to some extent as a result of land use regulations enforced by the Commission or the department.

#### **4. Exemptions Under ORS 197.352(3)**

ORS 197.352 does not apply to certain land use regulations. In addition, under ORS 197.352(3), certain types of laws are exempt from ORS 197.352.

#### **Findings of Fact**

The claim is based on state land use regulations that restrict the use of the subject property, including applicable provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, which Clackamas County has implemented through its current EFU zone. With the exception of provisions of Goal 3 and ORS 215 in effect on June 7, 1979, these land use regulations were enacted or adopted after Ronald Nofziger acquired the property.

#### **Conclusions**

Without a specific development proposal for the subject property, it is not possible for the department to determine all the laws that may apply to a particular use of the property, or whether those laws may fall under one or more of the exemptions under ORS 197.352. With the exception of provisions of Goal 3 and ORS 215 in effect in 1979, it appears that the statutory, goal and rule restrictions on residential development of subject property were not in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property, and therefore, these laws are not exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(E). Provisions of Goal 3 and ORS 215 in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property in 1979 are exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(E) and do not provide a basis for compensation. In addition, laws enacted or adopted for a purpose set forth in ORS 197.352(3)(A) to (D) are also exempt and would not provide a basis for compensation.

### **VI. FORM OF RELIEF**

ORS 197.352(1) provides for payment of compensation to an owner of private real property if the Commission or the department has enforced one or more laws that restrict the use of the property in a manner that reduces its fair market value. In lieu of compensation, the department may choose to not apply the law in order to allow the present owner to carry out a use of the property permitted at the time the present owner acquired the property. The Commission, by rule, has directed that if the department determines a claim is valid, the Director of the department must provide only non-monetary relief unless and until funds are appropriated by the legislature to pay claims.

#### **Findings of Fact**

Based on the findings and conclusions set forth in this report, laws enforced by the Commission or the department restrict the claimants' desired use of the subject property. The claim asserts that existing state land use regulations enforced by the Commission or the department have the effect of reducing the fair market value of the subject property by \$400,000. However, because the claim does not provide an appraisal or other relevant evidence demonstrating that the land use regulations described in Section V.(2) reduce the fair market value of the subject property, a specific amount of compensation cannot be determined. In order to determine a specific amount of compensation due for this claim, it would also be necessary to verify whether or the extent to which the claimants' desired use of the subject property was allowed under the standards in

effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property. Nevertheless, based on the record for this claim, the department has determined that the laws on which the claim is based have reduced the fair market value of the subject property to some extent.

No funds have been appropriated at this time for the payment of claims. In lieu of payment of compensation, ORS 197.352 authorizes the department to modify, remove or not apply all or parts of certain land use regulations to allow Ronald Nofziger to use the subject property for a use permitted at the time he acquired the property on June 7, 1979, and to allow Ardis Nofziger to use the property for a use permitted at the time she acquired the property on February 15, 1995.

At the time the Ardis Nofziger acquired an interest in the subject property, it was zoned EFU by Clackamas County and subject to the current lot size and dwelling standards under Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, and as described in Section V.(2) of this report.

In addition to the provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33 in effect when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on February 15, 1995, and other laws in effect when either claimant acquired the subject property, there may be other laws that continue to apply to the claimants' use of the property that have not been identified in the claim. In some cases, it will not be possible to know which laws apply to a use of the subject property until there is a specific proposal for that use. When Ronald Nofziger seeks a building or development permit to carry out a specific use, it may become evident that other state laws apply to that use, and depending on when they were enacted or adopted, may continue to apply to the claimants' property. In addition, some of these laws may be exempt under ORS 197.352(3)(A) to (D) and will continue to apply to the subject property on that basis.

This report addresses only those state laws that are identified in the claim, or that the department is certain apply to the subject property based on the uses that the claimants have identified. Similarly, this report only addresses the exemptions provided for under ORS 197.352(3) that are clearly applicable given the information provided to the department in the claim. The claimants should be aware that the less information they have provided to the department in the claim, the greater the possibility that there may be additional laws that will later be determined to continue to apply to their use of the subject property.

### **Conclusions**

Based on the record, the department recommends that the claim be approved, subject to the following terms:

1. In lieu of compensation under ORS 197.352, the State of Oregon will not apply the following laws to Ronald and Ardis Nofziger's development of a dwelling on the 30-acre subject property: applicable provisions of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted after each claimant acquired the subject property. These laws will not apply to the claimants only to the extent necessary to allow them to use the subject property for the use described in this report, and only to the extent that use was permitted when Ronald Nofziger acquired the subject property on June 7, 1979, and only to the extent the use was permitted when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on February 15, 1995. The department acknowledges that the relief to

which Ardis Nofziger is entitled under ORS 197.352 will not allow her to use the subject property in the manner set forth in the claim.

2. The action by the State of Oregon provides the state's authorization to the claimants to use the property for the use described in this report, subject to the standards in effect when Ronald Nofziger acquired the property on June 7, 1979, and when Ardis Nofziger acquired the property on February 15, 1995. In 1979, the property was subject to applicable provisions of Goal 3 and ORS 215 then in effect. In 1995, the property was subject to the standards of Goal 3, ORS 215 and OAR 660, division 33, as described in Section V.(2) of this report.

3. To the extent that any law, order, deed, agreement or other legally enforceable public or private requirement provides that the subject property may not be used without a permit, license or other form of authorization or consent, the order will not authorize the use of the property unless the claimants first obtain that permit, license or other form of authorization or consent. Such requirements may include, but are not limited to: a building permit, a land use decision, a "permit" as defined in ORS 215.402 or 227.160, other permits or authorizations from local, state or federal agencies and restrictions on the use of the subject property imposed by private parties.

4. Any use of the subject property by the claimants under the terms of the order will remain subject to the following laws: (a) those laws not specified in (1) above; (b) any laws enacted or enforced by a public entity other than the Commission or the department; and (c) those laws not subject to ORS 197.352 including, without limitation, those laws exempted under ORS 197.352(3).

5. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing terms and conditions, in order for the claimants to use the subject property, it may be necessary for them to obtain a decision under ORS 197.352 from a city and/or county and/or metropolitan service district that enforces land use regulations applicable to the property. Nothing in this order relieves the claimants from the necessity of obtaining a decision under ORS 197.352 from a local public entity that has jurisdiction to enforce a land use regulation applicable to a use of the subject property by the claimants.

## **VII. COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT STAFF REPORT**

The department issued its draft staff report on this claim on February 8, 2007. OAR 125-145 0100(3), provided an opportunity for the claimants or the claimants' authorized agent and any third parties who submitted comments under OAR 125-145-0080 to submit written comments, evidence and information in response to the draft staff report and recommendation.