



**OREGON DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION AND  
DEVELOPMENT**

**ORS 195.300 to ORS 195.336 (MEASURE 49) SUPPLEMENTAL REVIEW  
OF MEASURE 37 CLAIM  
Preliminary Evaluation**

May 15, 2009

**STATE ELECTION NUMBER:** E131743

**CLAIMANTS:** Ronald J. and LaRilla Jane Tye  
82725 Century Lane  
Enterprise, OR 97828

**MEASURE 37 PROPERTY  
IDENTIFICATION:** Township 2S, Range 44E, Section 22  
Tax lot 300  
Wallowa County

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**I. ELECTION**

The claimants, Ronald and LaRilla Jane Tye, filed a claim with the state under ORS 197.352 (2005) (Measure 37) on November 29, 2006, for property located at 82725 Century Lane, near Enterprise, in Wallowa County. ORS 195.300 to ORS 195.336 (Measure 49) entitles claimants who filed Measure 37 claims to elect supplemental review of their claims. The claimants have elected supplemental review of their Measure 37 claim under Section 6 of Measure 49, which allows the Department of Land Conservation and Development (the department) to authorize up to three home site approvals to qualified claimants.

**II. SUMMARY OF PRELIMINARY EVALUATION**

Based on the department's preliminary analysis, it appears that the claimants are not eligible for any relief under Measure 49 because the claimants would not have been lawfully permitted to establish any additional home sites when they acquired the property.

**III. THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF HOME SITE APPROVALS FOR WHICH THE  
CLAIMANTS MAY QUALIFY**

Under Section 6 of Measure 49, the number of home site approvals authorized by the department cannot exceed the lesser of the following: three; the number stated by the claimant in the election

materials; or the number described in a Measure 37 waiver issued by the state, or if no waiver was issued, the number of home sites described in the Measure 37 claim filed with the state. The claimants have requested three home site approvals in the election material. No waiver was issued for this claim. The Measure 37 claim filed with the state describes 15 home sites. Therefore, the claimants may qualify for a maximum of three home site approvals under Section 6 of Measure 49.

#### **IV. PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF QUALIFICATION FOR HOME SITE APPROVAL**

##### **1. Preliminary Analysis**

To qualify for a home site approval under Section 6 of Measure 49, a claimant must have filed a Measure 37 claim for the property with either the state or the county in which the property is located on or before June 28, 2007, and must have filed a Measure 37 claim with both the state and the county before Measure 49 became effective on December 6, 2007. If the state Measure 37 claim was filed after December 4, 2006, the claim must also have been filed in compliance with the provisions of OAR 660-041-0020 then in effect.

The claimants, Ronald and LaRilla Jane Tye, filed a Measure 37 claim, M131743, with the state on November 29, 2006. The claimants filed a Measure 37 claim, 2006-034, with Wallowa County on November 28, 2006. The state claim was filed prior to December 4, 2006.

It appears that the claimants timely filed a Measure 37 claim with both the state and Wallowa County.

In addition to filing a claim with both the state and the county in which the property is located, to qualify for a home site approval under Section 6 of Measure 49 the claimants must establish each of the following:

##### **(a) The Claimant is an Owner of the Property**

Measure 49 defines "Owner" as: "(a) The owner of fee title to the property as shown in the deed records of the county where the property is located; (b) The purchaser under a land sale contract, if there is a recorded land sale contract in force for the property; or (c) If the property is owned by the trustee of a revocable trust, the settlor of a revocable trust, except that when the trust becomes irrevocable only the trustee is the owner."

According to the deed submitted by the claimants, Ronald and LaRilla Jane Tye are the owners of fee title to the property as shown in the Wallowa County deed records and, therefore, are owners of the property under Measure 49.

##### **(b) All Owners of the Property Have Consented in Writing to the Claim**

It appears that the claimants are the sole owners of the property. Therefore, no additional consent is required.

**(c) The Measure 37 Claim Property Is Located Entirely Outside Any Urban Growth Boundary and Entirely Outside the Boundaries of Any City**

The Measure 37 claim property is located in Wallowa County, outside the urban growth boundary and outside the city limits of the nearest city, Enterprise.

**(d) One or More Land Use Regulations Prohibit Establishing the Lot, Parcel or Dwelling**

As stated in Section III above, the claimants may qualify for up to three home site approvals.

The property is currently zoned Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) by Wallowa County, in accordance with ORS chapter 215 and OAR 660, division 33, because the property is "agricultural land" as defined by Goal 3. Goal 3 requires agricultural land to be zoned exclusive farm use. Applicable provisions of ORS chapter 215 and OAR 660, division 33, enacted or adopted pursuant to Goal 3, generally prohibit the establishment of a lot or parcel less than 80 acres in size in an EFU zone, and regulate the establishment of dwellings on new or existing lots or parcels. In addition, counties may adopt larger minimum lot or parcel sizes. Wallowa County's EFU zone requires a minimum of 160 acres for the establishment of a dwelling on a lot or parcel.

The claimants' property consists of 39.10 acres. Therefore, state land use regulations prohibit the claimants from establishing on the Measure 37 claim property the three home sites the claimants may qualify for under Section 6 of Measure 49.

**(e) The Establishment of the Lot, Parcel or Dwelling Is Not Prohibited by a Land Use Regulation Described in ORS 195.305(3)**

ORS 195.305(3) exempts from claims under Measure 49 land use regulations:

- (a) Restricting or prohibiting activities commonly and historically recognized as public nuisances under common law;
- (b) Restricting or prohibiting activities for the protection of public health and safety;
- (c) To the extent the land use regulation is required to comply with federal law; or
- (d) Restricting or prohibiting the use of a property for the purpose of selling pornography or performing nude dancing.

Based on the documentation submitted by the claimants, it does not appear that the establishment of the three home sites for which the claimants may qualify on the property would be prohibited by land use regulations described in ORS 195.305(3).

**(f) On the Claimant's Acquisition Date, the Claimant Lawfully Was Permitted to Establish at Least the Number of Lots, Parcels or Dwellings on the Property That Are Authorized Under Section 6 of Measure 49**

A claimant's acquisition date is "the date the claimant became the owner of the property as shown in the deed records of the county in which the property is located. If there is more than one claimant for the same property under the same claim and the claimants have different acquisition dates, the acquisition date is the earliest of those dates."

Wallowa County deed records indicate that the claimants acquired the property on October 31, 1979.<sup>1</sup>

On October 31, 1979, the Measure 37 claim property was subject to Wallowa County's acknowledged Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) zone. Wallowa County's EFU zone required 160 acres for the creation of a new lot or parcel on which a dwelling could be established. The claimants' property consists of 39.10 acres, and is developed with one dwelling. Therefore, the claimants lawfully could not have established any additional home sites on their date of acquisition.

**2. Preliminary Conclusion**

Based on the preliminary analysis, the claimants, Ronald and LaRilla Jane Tye, do not qualify for Measure 49 home site approvals because the claimants were not lawfully permitted to establish the lots, parcels or dwellings on the claimants' date of acquisition.

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<sup>1</sup> Claimants included an unrecorded land sale contract with their claim. Unrecorded documents do not establish ownership for purposes of Measure 49.

## V. NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

A claimant or a claimant's authorized agent, a county and any third party may submit written comments, evidence and information in response to the preliminary evaluation. The comments, evidence and information must be filed with the department no more than twenty-eight (28) calendar days after the date this evaluation is mailed to the claimants and the claimants' agent and notice of this evaluation is mailed to third parties.

The department will mail a copy of all materials timely filed by a county or a third party with the department to the claimants and the claimants' agent. A claimant or a claimant's authorized agent may then file written comments, evidence or information in response to the materials filed by the third party or county. That response must be filed no more than twenty-one (21) calendar days after the date the department mails the materials to the claimants and the claimants' authorized agent.

All comments, evidence and information in response to the preliminary evaluation and all responses to materials filed by a third party or a county shall be delivered to Supplemental Measure 49 Claim Review, 635 Capitol Street NE, Suite 150, Salem, Oregon 97301-2540 and will be deemed timely filed either (1) if actually delivered to the department before the close of business on the final eligible calendar day, or (2) if mailed on or before the final eligible calendar day.

**Note: Please reference the claim number and claimant name and clearly mark your comments as "Preliminary Evaluation Comments." Comments must be submitted in original written form only. Comments submitted electronically or by facsimile will not be accepted.**



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Measure 49  
Notice of Preliminary Evaluation



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**MEASURE 37 PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION:** Township 2S, Range 44E, Section 22  
Tax lot 300  
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As required under OAR 660-041-0090(3), you are receiving this notice to inform you of the Department of Land Conservation and Development's (Department) Preliminary Evaluation of the supplemental review of the above-referenced claim under Measure 49.

The claimant(s) identified above filed a Measure 37 claim pursuant to ORS 197.352 (2005 edition). On November 6, 2007, the Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 49. Under Measure 49, Measure 37 claimants may elect to have their Measure 37 claim reviewed under Measure 49. Claimants who elect review of their Measure 37 claims under Measure 49, and who meet the requirements of either Section 6 or 7 of Measure 49, are eligible for relief in the form of a specific number of home site approvals, as provided for under Section 6 (up to three home sites) or 7 (up to ten home sites) of Measure 49.

The claimant(s) in the above-referenced claim elected supplemental review of the Measure 37 claim under Section 6 of Measure 49. To determine eligibility for relief, the department must determine whether the claim meets the following requirements:

- The claimant(s) must be owners of the property, as defined in Measure 49.
- All owners of the property must have consented in writing to the claim.
- The property must be located entirely outside any urban growth boundary and entirely outside the boundaries of any city.
- One or more land use regulations must prohibit establishing the lot, parcel or dwelling.
- Establishing the lot, parcel or dwelling must not be prohibited by a regulation that was enacted before the claimant's acquisition date, or by a regulation that restricts or prohibits activities commonly and historically recognized as public nuisances, for the protection of public health or safety, or that are required to comply with federal law as described in ORS 197.352(3).
- On the claimant's acquisition date, the claimant lawfully was permitted to establish the number of lots, parcels or dwellings on the property that are authorized by either Section 6 or Section 7 of Measure 49 based on the claimant's Election.

Based on the department's preliminary analysis, it appears that the claimants are not eligible for any relief under Measure 49 because the claimants would not have been lawfully permitted to establish any additional home sites when they acquired the property.

A copy of the Preliminary Evaluation of the claim is posted on the department's website at <http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/MEASURE49/index.shtml>. You may also request a copy of the Preliminary Evaluation by calling 503-373-0050 ext. 324.

This Preliminary Evaluation is not a final decision on this claim. Any person receiving this Notice may submit written comments, evidence or information addressing the above requirements upon which the department must base its decision. All materials and written responses must be mailed or delivered to: Supplemental Measure 49 Claim Review, 635 Capitol Street NE, Suite 150, Salem, OR 97301-2540 and will be deemed timely filed if mailed or actually delivered to the department within 28 days from the date of this notice. The Department will provide a copy of all materials received to the claimant(s) and the agent for the claimant(s), who are entitled to an additional 21 days to file written responses. Please reference the claim number and claimant name and clearly mark your comments as "Preliminary Evaluation Comments." **Comments submitted electronically or by facsimile will not be accepted.**

Following receipt and evaluation of all materials and responses submitted in response to this notice, the department will issue a final decision on this claim. If the final decision determines that the claim is entitled to relief in the form of one or more home sites, the exact location of authorized parcels and/or dwellings would be determined through a local county review process.

Subject Property (Tax Lot 300) and Area Map

