Planning of Urban and Rural Reserves

(1) Urban reserves are the highest priority for inclusion in the urban growth boundary when Metro expands the UGB, as specified in Goal 14, OAR chapter 660, division 24, and in ORS 197.298.

(2) In order to maintain opportunities for orderly and efficient development of urban uses and provision of urban services when urban reserves are added to the UGB, counties shall not amend comprehensive plan provisions or land use regulations for urban reserves designated under this division to allow uses that were not allowed, or smaller lots or parcels than were allowed, at the time of designation as urban reserves until the reserves are added to the UGB.

(3) Counties that designate rural reserves under this division shall not amend [their comprehensive plan provisions or] land use regulations to allow uses that were not allowed, or smaller lots or parcels than were allowed, at the time of designation as rural reserves unless and until the reserves are re-designated, consistent with this division, as land other than rural reserves.

(4) Notwithstanding the prohibitions in sections (2) and (3) of these rules, counties may adopt or amend comprehensive plan provisions or land use regulations as they apply to lands in urban reserves, rural reserves or both, unless an exception to Goals 3, 4, 11 or 14 is required, in order to allow:

(a) Uses that the county inventories as significant Goal 5 resources, including programs to protect inventoried resources as provided under OAR chapter 660, division 23, or inventoried cultural resources as provided under OAR chapter 660, division 16;

(b) Public park uses, subject to the adoption or amendment of a park master plan as provided in OAR chapter 660, division 34;

(c) Roads, highways and other transportation and public facilities and improvements, as provided in ORS 215.213 and 215.283, OAR 660-012-0065, and OAR 660-033-0130 (agricultural land) or OAR chapter 660, division 6 (forest lands);

(d) Uses and land divisions that are allowed by state statute or administrative rule at the time of the designation of urban and rural reserves.

(5) Counties, cities and Metro may adopt and amend conceptual plans for the eventual urbanization of urban reserves designated under this division, including plans for eventual provision of public facilities and services, roads, highways and other transportation facilities, and may enter into urban service agreements among cities, counties and special districts serving or projected to serve the designated urban reserve area.

(6) Metro shall ensure that lands designated as urban reserves, considered alone or in conjunction with lands already inside the UGB, are ultimately planned to be developed in a manner that is consistent with the factors in OAR 660-027-0050.

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