Secretary of State

STATEMENT OF NEED AND FISCAL IMPACT
A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Hearing or a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking accompanies this form.

Land Conservation and Development Department 660

Agency and Division Administrative Rules Chapter Number

Amendments to implement new laws regarding changes to comprehensive plans and land use regulations.

Rule Caption (Not more than 15 words that reasonably identifies the subject matter of the agency's intended action.) In the Matter of:
Amendments to implement new laws regarding changes to comprehensive plans and land use regulations.

Statutory Authority:
ORS 197.040

Other Authority:
Statewide Planning Goals (OAR 660, div 15)

Stats. Implemented:
ORS 197.610-197.625; Oregon Laws 2011, chapter 280

Need for the Rule(s):
The proposed amendments would modify rules pertaining to notice of changes to acknowledged comprehensive plans and land use regulations and related topics. The proposed amendments, including the repeal of two rules, are needed in order to implement new laws (Oregon Laws 2011, chapter 280) regarding changes to comprehensive plans and land use regulations and are needed in order to conform existing rules to these new laws. The Commission may consider other minor and technical amendments to rules in the divisions specified above based on testimony and comments received during the public comment period, and may adopt amendments to these divisions that may be proposed during the public comment period.

Documents Relied Upon, and where they are available:
ORS 195.137-195.145; Statewide Planning Goals (OAR 660, division 15) - available from agency.

Fiscal and Economic Impact:
Statutory provisions (ORS 183.335(2)(b)(E) and (G), 183.540) require the agency to consider whether a proposed rule amendment will have any significant economic impact on business and whether options should be considered to reduce any negative impacts of the rule on business:

The proposed amendments will not have economic affects on business because the proposed amendments will generally conform existing rules to new statutes. The department cannot propose alternative rules that would achieve the underlying lawful governmental objective because the proposal is necessary to implement new laws. The proposed rule amendments apply only to notices concerning local plan and code amendments and are not substantially different than existing requirements, As such, economic and property interests will not be affected.

Statutory provisions also require the agency to estimate the effect of proposed rules on the cost to construct a 1,200 square foot dwelling on a 6,000 square foot parcel (ORS 183.534). The proposed amendments would not affect approval standards for dwellings and thus will not affect the cost to construct a dwelling.
ORS 183.335(2)(b)(E) and 183.530 require the agency to prepare a Housing Cost Impact Statement on a form prepared by the State Housing Council and incorporate that statement into this statement of need required by ORS 183.335(5) (See ORS 183.534). The Housing Cost Impact Statement is attached and is incorporated into this statement by this reference.

Statement of Cost of Compliance:
1. Impact on state agencies, units of local government and the public (ORS 183.335(2)(b)(E)):
The amendments will not have impacts to state agencies, units of local government and the public because the proposed amendments carry out new provisions that are substantially the same as existing provisions.

2. Cost of compliance effect on small business (ORS 183.336):
   a. Estimate the number of small business and types of businesses and industries with small businesses subject to the rule:
Estimate the number of small businesses and types of business and industries with small businesses subject to the rule: The rules subject to this rulemaking will not affect small businesses throughout the state because the rules apply to local government notices of local government actions.

b. Projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative activities required for compliance, including costs of professional services:
The department receives notices required by these rules, and monitors plan and zoning amendments. These rule amendments will not substantially change current department procedures regarding the notice process, and no professional service costs are anticipated.

c. Equipment, supplies, labor and increased administration required for compliance:
No additional costs of supplies, labor and administration are anticipated as a result of these rule amendments.

How were small businesses involved in the development of this rule?
If not, why?:
Because these amendments primarily concern implementation of technical amendments to an existing statute regarding notice procedures, and because those procedures concern local governments rather than small businesses, the department did not consult with small businesses.

Statutory provisions (ORS 197.040) also require the agency to "Assess what economic and property interests will be, or are likely to be, affected by the proposed rule; ... assess the likely degree of economic impact on identified property and economic interests; [and] assess whether alternative actions are available that would achieve the underlying lawful governmental objective and would have a lesser economic impact." These requirements "shall not be interpreted as requiring an assessment for each lot or parcel that could be affected by the proposed rule."

Economic interests and property owners will not be affected by the amended rules for the same reasons described above for small businesses.

Administrative Rule Advisory Committee consulted?: No
For the same reasons provided above concerning small business involvement.