660-027-0040

**Designation of Urban and Rural Reserves**

(1) Metro may not designate urban reserves under this division in a county until Metro and applicable counties have entered into an intergovernmental agreement that identifies the lands to be designated by Metro as urban reserves. A county may not designate rural reserves under this division until the county and Metro have entered into an agreement that identifies the lands to be designated by the county as rural reserves.

(2) Urban reserves designated under this division shall be planned to accommodate estimated urban population and employment growth in the Metro area for at least 20 years, and not more than 30 years, beyond the 20-year period for which Metro has demonstrated a buildable land supply inside the UGB in the most recent inventory, determination and analysis performed under ORS 197.296. Metro shall specify the particular number of years for which the urban reserves are intended to provide a supply of land, based on the estimated land supply necessary for urban population and employment growth in the Metro area for that number of years. The 20 to 30-year supply of land specified in this rule shall consist of the combined total supply provided by all lands designated for urban reserves in all counties that have executed an intergovernmental agreement with Metro in accordance with OAR 660-027-0030.

(3) If Metro designates urban reserves under this division prior to December 31, 2009, it shall plan the reserves to accommodate population and employment growth for at least 20 years, and not more than 30 years, beyond 2029. Metro shall specify the particular number of years for which the urban reserves are intended to provide a supply of land.

(4) Neither Metro nor a local government may amend a UGB to include land designated as rural reserves during the period described in section (2) or (3) of this rule, whichever is applicable.

(5) Metro shall not re-designate rural reserves as urban reserves, and a county shall not re-designate land in rural reserves to another use, except as provided in OAR 660-027-0070, during the period described in section (2) or (3) of this rule, whichever is applicable.

(6) If Metro designates urban reserves under this division it shall adopt policies to implement the reserves and must show the reserves on its regional framework plan map. A county in which urban reserves are designated shall adopt policies to implement the reserves and must show the reserves on its comprehensive plan and zone maps.

(7) If a county designates rural reserves under this division it shall adopt policies to implement the reserves and must show the reserves on its comprehensive plan and zone maps. Metro shall adopt policies to implement the rural reserves and show the reserves on its regional framework plan maps.

(8) When evaluating and designating land for urban reserves, Metro and a county shall apply the factors of OAR 660-027-0050 and shall coordinate with cities, special districts and school districts that might be expected to provide urban services to these reserves when they are added to the UGB, and with state agencies.

(9) When evaluating and designating land for rural reserves, Metro and a county shall apply the factors of OAR 660-027-0060 and shall coordinate with cities, special districts and school districts in the county, and with state agencies.

(10) Metro and any county that enters into an agreement with Metro under this division shall apply the factors in OAR 660-027-0050 and 660-027-0060 concurrently and in coordination with one another. Metro and those counties that lie partially within Metro
with which Metro enters into an agreement shall adopt a single, joint set of findings of fact, statements of reasons and conclusions explaining why areas were chosen as urban or rural reserves, how these designations achieve the objective stated in OAR 660-027-0005(2), and the factual and policy basis for the estimated land supply determined under section (2) of this rule.

(11) Because the January 2007 Oregon Department of Agriculture report entitled "Identification and Assessment of the Long-Term Commercial viability of Metro Region Agricultural Lands" indicates that Foundation Agricultural Land is the most important land for the viability and vitality of the agricultural industry, if Metro designates such land as urban reserves, the findings and statement of reasons shall explain, by reference to the factors in OAR 660-027-0050 and 660-027-0060(2), why Metro chose the Foundation Agricultural Land for designation as urban reserves rather than other land considered under this division.

660-027-0070
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, except as specified in sections (4) through (6) of this rule.

(3) Counties that designate rural reserves under this division shall not amend 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, except as specified in sections (4) through (6) of this rule.

(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 660-033-0130 (agricultural land) or OAR chapter 660, division 6 (forest lands);
(d) Other uses and land divisions that a county could have allowed under ORS 215.130(5) – (11) or as an outright permitted use or as a conditional use under ORS 215.213 and 215.283 or Goal 4 if the county had amended its comprehensive plan to
conform to the applicable state statute or administrative rule prior to its designation of rural reserves;
(5) Notwithstanding the prohibition in sections (2) through (4) of this rule a county may amend its comprehensive plan or land use regulations as they apply to land in an urban or rural reserve that is subject to an exception to Goals 3 or 4, or both, acknowledged prior to designation of the subject property as urban or rural reserves, in order to authorize an alteration or expansion of uses allowed on the land under the exception provided:
(a) The alteration or expansion would comply with the requirements described in ORS 215.296, applied whether the land is zoned for farm use, forest use, or mixed farm and forest use;
(b) The alteration or expansion conforms to applicable requirements for exceptions and amendments to exceptions under OAR chapter 660, division 4, and all other applicable laws; and
(c) The alteration or expansion would not expand the boundaries of the exception area unless such alteration or expansion is necessary in response to a failing on-site wastewater disposal system.
(6) Notwithstanding the prohibitions in sections (2) through (5) of this rule, a county may amend its comprehensive plan or land use regulations as they apply to lands in urban reserves or rural reserves or both in order to allow establishment of a new sewer system or the extension of a sewer system provided the exception meets the requirements under OAR 660-011-0060(9)(a).
(7) 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.
(8) 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.