DIVISION 33
AGRICULTURAL LAND

660-033-0010

Purpose

The purpose of this division is to preserve and maintain agricultural lands as defined by Goal 3 for farm use, and to implement ORS 215.203 through 215.327 and 215.438 through 215.459 and 215.700 through 215.799.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183, 197.040, 197.230 & 197.245
Hist.: LCDC 6-1992, f. 12-10-92, cert. ef. 8-7-93; LCDC 3-1994, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-94; LCDD 4-2011, f. & cert. ef. 3-16-11

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Definitions

For purposes of this division, the definitions in ORS 197.015, the Statewide Planning Goals, and OAR chapter 660 shall apply. In addition, the following definitions shall apply:

(1)(a) "Agricultural Land" as defined in Goal 3 includes:

(A) Lands classified by the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) as predominantly Class I-IV soils in Western Oregon and I-VI soils in Eastern Oregon;

(B) Land in other soil classes that is suitable for farm use as defined in ORS 215.203(2)(a), taking into consideration soil fertility; suitability for grazing; climatic conditions; existing and future availability of water for farm irrigation purposes; existing land use patterns; technological and energy inputs required; and accepted farming practices; and

(C) Land that is necessary to permit farm practices to be undertaken on adjacent or nearby agricultural lands.

(b) Land in capability classes other than I-IV/I-VI that is adjacent to or intermingled with lands in capability classes I-IV/I-VI within a farm unit, shall be inventoried as agricultural lands even though this land may not be cropped or grazed;

(c) "Agricultural Land" does not include land within acknowledged urban growth boundaries or land within acknowledged exception areas for Goal 3 or 4.

(2)(a) "Commercial Agricultural Enterprise" consists of farm operations that will:

(A) Contribute in a substantial way to the area's existing agricultural economy; and
(B) Help maintain agricultural processors and established farm markets.

(b) When determining whether a farm is part of the commercial agricultural enterprise, not only what is produced, but how much and how it is marketed shall be considered. These are important factors because of the intent of Goal 3 to maintain the agricultural economy of the state.

(3) "Contiguous" means connected in such a manner as to form a single block of land.

(4) "Date of Creation and Existence". When a lot, parcel or tract is reconfigured pursuant to applicable law after November 4, 1993, the effect of which is to qualify a lot, parcel or tract for the siting of a dwelling, the date of the reconfiguration is the date of creation or existence. Reconfigured means any change in the boundary of the lot, parcel or tract.

(5) "Eastern Oregon" means that portion of the state lying east of a line beginning at the intersection of the northern boundary of the State of Oregon and the western boundary of Wasco County, then south along the western boundaries of the Counties of Wasco, Jefferson, Deschutes and Klamath to the southern boundary of the State of Oregon.

(6) "Exception Area" means an area no longer subject to the requirements of Goal 3 or 4 because the area is the subject of a site specific exception acknowledged pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4.

(7)(a) "Farm Use" as that term is used in ORS chapter 215 and this division means "farm use" as defined in ORS 215.203.

(b) As used in the definition of "farm use" in ORS 215.203 and in this division:

(A) "Preparation" of products or by-products includes but is not limited to the cleaning, treatment, sorting, or packaging of the products or by-products; and

(B) "Products or by-products raised on such land" means that those products or by-products are raised on the farm operation where the preparation occurs or on other farm land provided the preparation is occurring only on land being used for the primary purpose of obtaining a profit in money from the farm use of the land.

(8)(a) "High-Value Farmland" means land in a tract composed predominantly of soils that are:

(A) Irrigated and classified prime, unique, Class I or II; or

(B) Not irrigated and classified prime, unique, Class I or II.

(b) In addition to that land described in subsection (a) of this section, high-value farmland, if outside the Willamette Valley, includes tracts growing specified perennials as demonstrated by the most recent aerial photography of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture taken prior to November 4, 1993. "Specified perennials" means perennials grown for market or research purposes including, but not limited to, nursery
stock, berries, fruits, nuts, Christmas trees, or vineyards, but not including seed crops, hay, pasture or alfalfa;

(c) In addition to that land described in subsection (a) of this section, high-value farmland, if in the Willamette Valley, includes tracts composed predominantly of the following soils in Class III or IV or composed predominantly of a combination of the soils described in subsection (a) of this section and the following soils:

(A) Subclassification IIIe, specifically, Bellpine, Bornstedt, Burlington, Briedwell, Carlton, Cascade, Chehalem, Cornelius Variant, Cornelius and Kinton, Helvetia, Hillsboro, Hult, Jory, Kinton, Latourell, Laurelwood, Melbourne, Multnomah, Nekia, Powell, Price, Quatama, Salkum, Santiam, Saum, Sawtell, Silverton, Veneta, Willakenzie, Woodburn and Yamhill;

(B) Subclassification IIIw, specifically, Concord, Conser, Cornelius Variant, Dayton (thick surface) and Sifton (occasionally flooded);

(C) Subclassification IVe, specifically, Bellpine Silty Clay Loam, Carlton, Cornelius, Jory, Kinton, Latourell, Laurelwood, Powell, Quatama, Springwater, Willakenzie and Yamhill; and

(D) Subclassification IVw, specifically, Awbrig, Bashaw, Courtney, Dayton, Natroy, Noti and Whiteson.

(d) In addition to that land described in subsection (a) of this section, high-value farmland, if west of the summit of the Coast Range and used in conjunction with a dairy operation on January 1, 1993, includes tracts composed predominantly of the following soils in Class III or IV or composed predominantly of a combination of the soils described in subsection (a) of this section and the following soils:

(A) Subclassification IIIe, specifically, Astoria, Hembre, Knappa, Meda, Quillayutte and Winema;

(B) Subclassification IIIw, specifically, Brenner and Chitwood;

(C) Subclassification IVe, specifically, Astoria, Hembre, Meda, Nehalem, Neskowin and Winema; and

(D) Subclassification IVw, specifically, Coquille.

(e) In addition to that land described in subsection (a) of this section, high-value farmland includes tracts located west of U.S. Highway 101 composed predominantly of the following soils in Class III or IV or composed predominantly of a combination of the soils described in subsection (a) of this section and the following soils:

(A) Subclassification IIIw, specifically, Ettersburg Silt Loam and Crofland Silty Clay Loam;

(B) Subclassification IIIe, specifically, Klooqueh Silty Clay Loam and Winchuck Silt Loam; and
(C) Subclassification IVw, specifically, Huffling Silty Clay Loam.

(f) Lands designated as "marginal lands" according to the marginal lands provisions adopted before January 1, 1993, and according to the criteria in former ORS 215.247 (1991), are excepted from this definition of "high-value farmlands";

(9) "Irrigated" means watered by an artificial or controlled means, such as sprinklers, furrows, ditches, or spreader dikes. An area or tract is "irrigated" if it is currently watered, or has established rights to use water for irrigation, including such tracts that receive water for irrigation from a water or irrigation district or other provider. For the purposes of this division, an area or tract within a water or irrigation district that was once irrigated shall continue to be considered "irrigated" even if the irrigation water was removed or transferred to another tract.

(10) “Lot” shall have the meaning set forth in ORS 92.010.

(11) “Manufactured dwelling” and “manufactured home” shall have the meaning set forth in ORS 446.003(26).

(12) “Parcel” shall have the meaning set forth in ORS 215.010.

(13) “Tract” means one or more contiguous lots or parcels under the same ownership.

(14) “Western Oregon” means that portion of the state lying west of a line beginning at the intersection of the northern boundary of the State of Oregon and the western boundary of Wasco County, then south along the western boundaries of the Counties of Wasco, Jefferson, Deschutes and Klamath to the southern boundary of the State of Oregon.

(15) “Willamette Valley” is Clackamas, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Washington and Yamhill Counties and that portion of Benton and Lane Counties lying east of the summit of the Coast Range.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

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660-033-0030

Identifying Agricultural Land
(1) All land defined as "agricultural land" in OAR 660-033-0020(1) shall be inventoried as agricultural land.

(2) When a jurisdiction determines the predominant soil capability classification of a lot or parcel it need only look to the land within the lot or parcel being inventoried. However, whether land is "suitable for farm use" requires an inquiry into factors beyond the mere identification of scientific soil classifications. The factors are listed in the definition of agricultural land set forth at OAR 660-033-0020(1)(a)(B). This inquiry requires the consideration of conditions existing outside the lot or parcel being inventoried. Even if a lot or parcel is not predominantly Class I-IV soils or suitable for farm use, Goal 3 nonetheless defines as agricultural "lands in other classes which are necessary to permit farm practices to be undertaken on adjacent or nearby lands." A determination that a lot or parcel is not agricultural land requires findings supported by substantial evidence that addresses each of the factors set forth in OAR 660-033-0020(1).

(3) Goal 3 attaches no significance to the ownership of a lot or parcel when determining whether it is agricultural land. Nearby or adjacent land, regardless of ownership, shall be examined to the extent that a lot or parcel is either "suitable for farm use" or "necessary to permit farm practices to be undertaken on adjacent or nearby lands" outside the lot or parcel.

(4) When inventoried land satisfies the definition requirements of both agricultural land and forest land, an exception is not required to show why one resource designation is chosen over another. The plan need only document the factors that were used to select an agricultural, forest, agricultural/forest, or other appropriate designation.

(5)(a) More detailed data on soil capability than is contained in the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) soil maps and soil surveys may be used to define agricultural land. However, the more detailed soils data shall be related to the NRCS land capability classification system.

(b) If a person concludes that more detailed soils information than that contained in the Internet soil survey of soil data and information produced by the National Cooperative Soil Survey operated by the NRCS of the USDA as of January 2, 2012, would assist a county to make a better determination of whether land qualifies as agricultural land, the person must request that the department arrange for an assessment of the capability of the land by a professional soil classifier who is chosen by the person, using the process described in OAR 660-033-0045[section (9) of this rule].

(c) This section and OAR 660-033-0045[section (9) of this rule] apply to:

(A) A change to the designation of land planned and zoned for exclusive farm use, forest use or mixed farm-forest use to a non-resource plan designation and zone on the basis that such land is not agricultural land; and

(B) Excepting land use decisions under section (7) of this rule, any other proposed land use decision in which more detailed data is used to demonstrate that land planned and zoned for
exclusive farm use does not meet the definition of agricultural land under OAR 660-033-0020(1)(a)(A).

(d) This section and OAR 660-033-0045 implement Oregon Laws 2010, chapter 44, section 1, effective on October 1, 2011. After this date, only those soils assessments certified by the department under section (9) of this rule may be considered by local governments in land use proceedings described in subsection (c) of this section. However, a local government may consider soils assessments that have been completed and submitted prior to October 1, 2011.

(e) This section and OAR 660-033-0045 authorize a person to obtain additional information for use in the determination of whether land qualifies as agricultural land, but do not otherwise affect the process by which a county determines whether land qualifies as agricultural land as defined by Goal 3 and OAR 660-033-0020.

(6) Any county that adopted marginal lands provisions before January 1, 1993, may continue to designate lands as “marginal lands” according to those provisions and criteria in former ORS 197.247 (1991), as long as the county has not applied the provisions of ORS 215.705 to 215.750 to lands zoned for exclusive farm use.

(7)(a) For the purposes of approving a land use application on high-value farmland under ORS 215.705, the county may change the soil class, soil rating or other soil designation of a specific lot or parcel if the property owner:

(A) Submits a statement of agreement from the NRCS that the soil class, soil rating or other soil designation should be adjusted based on new information; or

(B) Submits a report from a soils scientist whose credentials are acceptable to the Oregon Department of Agriculture that the soil class, soil rating or other soil designation should be changed; and

(C) Submits a statement from the Oregon Department of Agriculture that the Director of Agriculture or the director’s designee has reviewed the report described in subsection (7)(B) of this section and finds the analysis in the report to be soundly and scientifically based.

(b) Soil classes, soil ratings or other soil designations used in or made pursuant to this section are those of the NRCS Internet soil survey for that class, rating or designation before November 4, 1993, except for changes made pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

(8) For the purposes of approving a land use application on high-value farmland under OAR 660-033-0090, 660-033-0120, 660-033-0130 and 660-033-0135, soil classes, soil ratings or other soil designations used in or made pursuant to this definition are those of the NRCS Internet survey as of January 2, 2012 for that class, rating or designation.

[9) Soils Assessments by Professional Soil Classifiers.
(a) A “professional soil classifier” means any professional in good standing with the Soil Science Society of America (SSSA) who has been certified by the SSSA to have met the requirements that existed as of October 1, 2011 for:

(A) Certified Professional Soil Classifier; or

(B) Certified Professional Soil Scientist, and who has been determined by an independent panel of soils professionals as defined in subsection (h) of this section to have:

(i) Completed five semester hours in soil genesis, morphology and classification;

(ii) At least five years of field experience in soils classification and mapping that meets National Cooperative Soil Survey standards, as maintained by the NRCS or three years of field experience if the applicant holds an MS or PhD degree; and

(iii) Demonstrated competence in practicing soils classification and mapping without direct supervision, based on published SSSA standards.

(b) The department will develop, update quarterly and post a list of professional soil classifiers (henceforth ‘soils professionals’) who are qualified to perform soils assessments under this rule.

(A) Qualified soils professionals shall include those individuals who have either met the requirements of paragraph (a)(A) of this section or the requirements of paragraph (a)(B) of this section as determined by a majority vote of an independent panel of soils professionals.

(i) A person must apply to the department for initial inclusion on the list described in subsection (b) of this section.

(ii) Qualified soils professionals must reapply to the department for listing on a biennial basis.

(B) A soils assessment auditing committee as defined in subsection (i) of this section will periodically reevaluate qualifications of soils professionals by auditing soils assessments, considering sample department reviews and field checks as described in subsection (f) of this section and verifying continued good standing of soils professionals with the SSSA.

(i) When reviewing applications for relisting, the department will consider the recommendations of the auditing committee and make final determinations as to the continued qualifications of soils professionals to perform soils assessments under this rule.

(ii) The department will reapprove soils professionals for listing when audits, sample reviews and field checks reveal a pattern of demonstrated competence in practicing soils classification and mapping consistent with subparagraph (9)(a)(B)(iii) of this rule, and when the SSSA verifies that the soils professional is in good standing with the SSSA.

(c) A person requesting a soils assessment shall:
(A) Choose a soils professional from the posted list described in subsection (b) of this section:

(B) Privately contract for a soils assessment to be prepared; and

(C) On completion of the soils assessment, submit to the department payment of a non-refundable administrative fee to be established by the department as provided in statute to meet department costs to administer this rule.

(d) On completion of the soils assessment, the selected soils professional shall submit to the department:

(A) A Soils Assessment Submittal Form that includes the property owner’s and soils professional’s authorized signatures and a liability waiver for the department; and

(B) A soils assessment that is soundly and scientifically based and that meets reporting requirements as established by the department.

(e) The department shall deposit fees collected under this rule in the Soils Assessment Fund established under Oregon Laws 2010, chapter 44, section 2.

(f) The department shall review the soils assessment by:

(A) Performing completeness checks for consistency with reporting requirements for all submitted soils assessments; and

(B) Performing sample reviews and field checks for some submitted soils assessments, as follows:

(i) The department shall arrange for a person who meets the qualifications of ‘professional soil classifier’ in subsection (a) of this section to conduct systematic sample reviews and field checks of soils assessments and make recommendations to the department as to whether they are soundly and scientifically based.

(ii) Within 30 days of the receipt of a soils assessment subject to review under this paragraph, the department shall determine whether the soils assessment is soundly and scientifically based. Where soils assessments are determined not to be soundly and scientifically based, the department will provide an opportunity to the soils professional to correct any noted deficiencies. Where noted deficiencies are not corrected to the satisfaction of the department, written notification of the noted deficiencies will be provided to the soils professional, property owner and person who requested the soils assessment.

(g) A soils assessment produced under this rule is not a public record, as defined in ORS 192.410, unless the person requesting the assessment utilizes the assessment in a land use proceeding. If the person decides to utilize a soils assessment produced under this section in a land use proceeding, the person shall inform the department and consent to the release by the department of certified copies of all assessments produced under this section regarding the land
to the local government conducting the land use proceeding. The department may not disclose a
soils assessment prior to its utilization in a land use proceeding as described in this rule without
written consent of the person paying the fee for the assessment and the property owner.

(A) On receipt of written consent, the department shall release to the local government all soils
assessments produced under this rule as well as any department notifications provided under
subsection (f) of this section regarding land to which the land use proceeding applies.

(h) As used in this rule, “Independent panel of soils professionals” means a committee of three
professionals appointed by the department that, quarterly or as needed, reviews and makes
determinations regarding the qualifications of individuals seeking to be listed as soils
professionals to perform soils analyses.

(A) Such panel shall consist of:

(i) A member of the SSSA;

(ii) The Oregon State Soil Scientist; and

(iii) An Oregon college or university soils professional.

(B) Panel members shall meet the qualifications of professional soil classifiers as defined in this
rule or shall have experience mapping and teaching soil genesis, morphology and classification
in a college or university setting.

(C) The department’s farm and forest lands specialist shall serve as staff to the panel.

(D) In reviewing qualifications of applicants with respect to required semester hours of academic
study under subparagraph (9)(a)(A)(i) of this rule, panel members may adjust for differences in
academic calendars.

(i) As used in this rule, “Soils assessment auditing committee” means a group of three
professionals that, annually or as needed, reviews and makes recommendations to the department
regarding the continuing qualifications of soils professionals to perform soils analyses under this
rule.

(A) Committee members shall be appointed by the independent panel of soils professionals and
shall meet the qualifications of professional soil classifier as defined in subsection (9)(a) of this
rule.

(B) The department’s farm and forest lands specialist shall serve as staff to the committee.

(j) As used in this rule, “person” shall have the meaning set forth in ORS 197.015(18).]
Soils Assessments by Professional Soil Classifiers.

(1) A “professional soil classifier” means any professional in good standing with the Soil Science Society of America (SSSA) who the SSSA has certified to have met its requirements that existed as of October 1, 2011 for:

(a) Certified Professional Soil Classifier; or

(b) Certified Professional Soil Scientist, and who has been determined by an independent panel of soils professionals as defined in section (8) of this rule to have:

(A) Completed five semester hours in soil genesis, morphology and classification;

(B) At least five years of field experience in soils classification and mapping that meets National Cooperative Soil Survey standards, as maintained by the NRCS, or three years of field experience if the applicant holds an MS or PhD degree; and

(C) Demonstrated competence in practicing soils classification and mapping without direct supervision, based on published SSSA standards.

(2) The department will develop, update quarterly and post a list of professional soil classifiers (henceforth “soils professionals”) who are qualified to perform soils assessments under this rule.

(a) Qualified soils professionals shall include those individuals who have either met the requirements of subsection (1)(a) of this section or the requirements of subsection (1)(b) of this section as determined by a majority vote of an independent panel of soils professionals.

(A) A person must apply to the department for initial inclusion on the list described in section (2) of this rule.

(B) Qualified soils professionals must reapply to the department for listing on a biennial basis.

(b) A soils assessment auditing committee as defined in section (9) of this rule will periodically reevaluate qualifications of soils professionals by auditing soils assessments, considering sample department reviews and field checks as described in section (6) of this rule and verifying continued good standing of soils professionals with the SSSA.
(A) When reviewing applications for relisting, the department will consider the recommendations of the auditing committee and make final determinations as to the continued qualifications of soils professionals to perform soils assessments under this rule.

(B) The department will re-approve soils professionals for listing when audits, sample reviews and field checks reveal a pattern of demonstrated competence in practicing soils classification and mapping consistent with paragraph (1)(b)(C) of this rule, and when the SSSA verifies that the soils professional is in good standing with the SSSA.

(3) A person requesting a soils assessment shall:

(a) Choose a soils professional from the posted list described in section (2) of this rule;

(b) Privately contract for a soils assessment to be prepared; and

(c) On completion of the soils assessment, submit to the department payment of the non-refundable administrative fee established by the department as provided in statute to meet department costs to administer this rule.

(4) On completion of the soils assessment, the selected soils professional shall submit to the department:

(a) A Soils Assessment Submittal Form that includes the property owner’s and soils professional’s authorized signatures and a liability waiver for the department; and

(b) A soils assessment that is soundly and scientifically based and that meets reporting requirements as established by the department.

(5) The department shall deposit fees collected under this rule in the Soils Assessment Fund established under Oregon Laws 2010, chapter 44, section 2.

(6) The department shall review the soils assessment by:

(a) Performing completeness checks for consistency with reporting requirements for all submitted soils assessments; and

(b) Performing sample reviews and field checks for some submitted soils assessments, as follows:

(A) The department shall arrange for a person who meets the qualifications of ‘professional soil classifier’ in section (1) of this rule to conduct systematic sample reviews and field checks of soils assessments and make recommendations to the department as to whether they are soundly and scientifically based.
(B) Within 30 days of the receipt of a soils assessment subject to review under this subsection, the department shall determine whether the soils assessment is soundly and scientifically based. Where soils assessments are determined not to be soundly and scientifically based, the department will provide an opportunity to the soils professional to correct any noted deficiencies. Where noted deficiencies are not corrected to the satisfaction of the department, the department will provide written notification of the noted deficiencies to the soils professional, property owner and person who requested the soils assessment.

(7) A soils assessment produced under this rule is not a public record, as defined in ORS 192.410, unless the person requesting the assessment utilizes the assessment in a land use proceeding. If the person decides to utilize a soils assessment produced under this section in a land use proceeding, the person shall inform the department and consent to the release by the department of certified copies of all assessments produced under this section regarding the land to the local government conducting the land use proceeding. The department may not disclose a soils assessment prior to its utilization in a land use proceeding as described in this rule without written consent of the person paying the fee for the assessment and the property owner.

(a) On receipt of written consent, the department shall release to the local government all soils assessments produced under this rule as well as any department notifications provided under section (6) of this rule regarding land to which the land use proceeding applies.

(8) As used in this rule, “Independent panel of soils professionals” means a committee of three professionals appointed by the department that, quarterly or as needed, reviews and makes determinations regarding the qualifications of individuals seeking to be listed as soils professionals to perform soils analyses.

(a) Such panel shall consist of:

(A) A member of the SSSA;

(B) The Oregon State Soil Scientist; and

(C) An Oregon college or university soils professional.

(b) Panel members shall meet the qualifications of professional soil classifiers as defined in this rule or shall have experience mapping and teaching soil genesis, morphology and classification in a college or university setting.

(c) The department’s farm and forest lands specialist shall serve as staff to the panel.

(d) In reviewing qualifications of applicants with respect to required semester hours of academic study under paragraph (1)(b)(A) of this rule, panel members may adjust for differences in academic calendars.
(9) As used in this rule, “Soils assessment auditing committee” means a group of three professionals that, annually or as needed, reviews and makes recommendations to the department regarding the continuing qualifications of soils professionals to perform soils analyses under this rule.

(a) Committee members shall be appointed by the independent panel of soils professionals and shall meet the qualifications of professional soil classifier as defined in section (1) of this rule.

(b) The department’s farm and forest lands specialist shall serve as staff to the committee.

(10) As used in this rule, “person” shall have the meaning set forth in ORS 197.015(18).

660-033-0080

Designation of High-Value Farmland

(1) The commission may review comprehensive plan and land use regulations related to the identification and designation of high-value farmland under procedures set forth in ORS 197.251 or 197.628 through 197.644.

(2) Counties shall submit maps of high-value farmland described in OAR 660-033-0020(8) and such amendments of their plans and land use regulations as are necessary to implement the requirements of this division to the commission for review. Counties shall submit high-value farmland maps no later than the time of the first periodic review after December 31, 1994. The submittal shall include the notice required by OAR chapter 660, division 18 or 25, whichever applies.

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Uses on High-Value and Non High-Value Farmland

(1) Uses on land identified as high-value farmland and uses on land not identified as high-value farmland shall be limited to those specified in OAR 660-033-0120. Except as provided for in section (2) of this rule, counties shall apply zones that qualify as exclusive farm use zones under ORS chapter 215 to "agricultural land" as identified under OAR 660-033-0030, which includes land identified as high-value farmland and land not identified as high-value farmland.

(2) "Abandoned mill sites" may be zoned for industrial use as provided for by ORS 197.719.
Minimum Parcel Size Requirements

(1) Counties shall establish minimum sizes for new parcels for land zoned for exclusive farm use. For land not designated rangeland, the minimum parcel size shall be at least 80 acres. For land designated rangeland, the minimum parcel size shall be at least 160 acres.

(2)(a) A county may adopt a minimum parcel size lower than that described in section (1) of this rule by demonstrating to the Commission that it can do so while continuing to meet the requirements of ORS 215.243 and that parcel sizes below the 80 or 160 acre minimum sizes are appropriate to maintain the existing commercial agricultural enterprise within an area. This standard is intended to prevent division of farmland into parcels that are too small to contribute to commercial agriculture in an area. This standard does not require that every new parcel created be as large as existing farms or ranches in an area. The minimum parcel size may allow creation of parcels smaller than the size of existing farms or ranches. However, the minimum parcel size shall be large enough to keep commercial farms and ranches in the area successful and not contribute to their decline. Lots or parcels used, or to be used, for training or stabling facilities shall not be considered appropriate to maintain the existing commercial agricultural enterprise in any area where other types of agriculture occur.

(b)(b) To determine a minimum parcel size under this section[rule], the county shall complete the following steps:

(A)[(a)] Identify different agricultural areas within the county, if any;

(B)[(b)] Determine the nature of the commercial agricultural enterprise in the county, or within areas of the county;

(C)[(c)] Identify the type(s) and size(s) of farms or ranches that comprise this commercial agricultural enterprise; and

(D)[(d)] Determine the minimum size for new parcels that will maintain this commercial agricultural enterprise.

(c) To determine whether there are distinct agricultural areas in a county, the county should consider soils, topography and land forms, land use patterns, farm sizes, ranch sizes and field sizes, acreage devoted to principal crops, and grazing areas and accepted farming practices for the principal crops and types of livestock.
To determine the nature of the existing commercial agricultural enterprise within an area, a county shall identify the following characteristics of farms and ranches in the area: Type and size of farms and ranches, size of fields or other parts, acreage devoted to principal crops, the relative contribution of the different types and sizes of farms and ranches to the county's gross farm sales, and their contribution to local processors and established farm markets. The following sources may assist in a county's analysis: The most recent Census of Agriculture and special tabulations from the census developed by Oregon State University, the Oregon Department of Agriculture, the United States Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (AACS), Soil and Water Conservation Districts, the Oregon State University Extension Service and the county assessors office.

To determine the minimum parcel size, a county shall evaluate available data and choose a size that maintains the existing commercial agricultural enterprise within the county or within each area of the county. In areas where the size of commercial farms and ranches is mixed, and the size of parcels needed to maintain those commercial farms and ranches varies, the county shall not choose a minimum parcel size that allows larger farms, lots or parcels to be divided to the size of the smallest farms, lots or parcels in the area. The activities of the larger as well as smaller holdings must be maintained.

A minimum size for new parcels for farm use does not mean that dwellings may be approved automatically on parcels that satisfy the minimum parcel size for the area. New dwellings in conjunction with farm use shall satisfy the criteria for such dwellings set forth in OAR 660-033-0130(1).

A minimum size for new parcels may be appropriate to maintain the existing agricultural enterprise in the area, but it may not be adequate to protect wildlife habitat pursuant to Goal 5. When farmland is located in areas of wildlife habitat, the provisions of Goal 5 continue to apply.

A county may choose to establish a different minimum parcel size for distinct commercial agricultural areas of the county. The appropriate minimum lot or parcel size for each area shall reflect the type of commercial agriculture in the area, consistent with sections 3-6 of this rule.

Counties may allow the creation of new parcels for nonfarm uses only as authorized by ORS 215.263. Such new parcels shall be the minimum size needed to accommodate the use in a manner consistent with other provisions of law except as required for the nonfarm dwellings authorized by section 7(1a) of this rule.

Counties may allow the creation of new lots or parcels for dwellings not in conjunction with farm use pursuant to ORS 215.263(4) or (5), whichever is applicable.

In the Willamette Valley, a new lot or parcel may be allowed if the originating lot or parcel is equal to or larger than the applicable minimum lot or parcel size, and:

(A) Is not stocked to the requirements under ORS 527.610 to 527.770;
(B) Is composed of at least 95 percent Class VI through VIII soils; and

(C) Is composed of at least 95 percent soils not capable of producing 50 cubic feet per acre per year of wood fiber; and

(D) The new lot or parcel will not be smaller than 20 acres.

(c) No new lot or parcel may be created for this purpose until the county finds that the dwelling to be sited on the new lot or parcel has been approved under the requirements for dwellings not in conjunction with farm use in ORS 215.284(3) or (4), 215.236 and OAR 660-033-0130(4).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 197.040, 197.230 & 197.245

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Uses Authorized on Agricultural Lands

The specific development and uses listed in the following table are allowed or may be allowed in the areas that qualify for the designation pursuant to this division. All uses are subject to the general provisions, special conditions, additional restrictions and exceptions set forth in this division. The abbreviations used within the schedule shall have the following meanings:

(1) A — Use is allowed. Authorization of some uses may require notice and the opportunity for a hearing because the authorization qualifies as a land use decision pursuant to ORS chapter 197. Minimum standards for uses in the table that include a numerical reference are specified in OAR 660-033-0130. Counties may prescribe additional limitations and requirements to meet local concerns only to the extent authorized by law.

(2) R — Use may be allowed, after required review. The use requires notice and the opportunity for a hearing. Minimum standards for uses in the table that include a numerical reference are specified in OAR 660-033-0130. Counties may prescribe additional limitations and requirements to meet local concerns.

(3) * — Use not allowed.

(4) # — Numerical references for specific uses shown on the chart refer to the corresponding section of OAR 660-033-0130. Where no numerical reference is noted for a use on the chart, this rule does not establish criteria for the use.

[ED. NOTE: Tables referenced are not included in rule text. Click here for PDF copy of table(s).]
Minimum Standards Applicable to the Schedule of Permitted and Conditional Uses

The following standards apply to uses listed in OAR 660-033-0120 where the corresponding section number is shown on the chart for a specific use under consideration. Where no numerical reference is indicated on the chart, this division does not specify any minimum review or approval criteria. Counties may include procedures and conditions in addition to those listed in the chart as authorized by law:

1. A dwelling on farmland may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if it meets the requirements of OAR 660-033-0135.

2. (a) No enclosed structure with a design capacity greater than 100 people, or group of structures with a total design capacity of greater than 100 people, shall be approved in connection with the use within three miles of an urban growth boundary, unless an exception is approved pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4, or unless the structure is described in a master plan adopted under the provisions of OAR chapter 660, division 34.

(b) Any enclosed structures or group of enclosed structures described in subsection (a) within a tract must be separated by at least one-half mile. For purposes of this section, “tract” means a tract as defined by ORS 215.010(2) that is in existence as of June 17, 2010.

(c) Existing facilities wholly within a farm use zone may be maintained, enhanced or expanded on the same tract, subject to other requirements of law, but enclosed existing structures within a farm use zone within three miles of an urban growth boundary may not be expanded beyond the requirements of this rule.

3. (a) A dwelling may be approved on a pre-existing lot or parcel if:

(A) The lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited was lawfully created and was acquired and owned continuously by the present owner as defined in subsection (3)(g) of this rule:

(i) Since prior to January 1, 1985; or
By devise or by intestate succession from a person who acquired and had owned continuously the lot or parcel since prior to January 1, 1985.

(B) The tract on which the dwelling will be sited does not include a dwelling;

(C) The lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited was part of a tract on November 4, 1993, no dwelling exists on another lot or parcel that was part of that tract;

(D) The proposed dwelling is not prohibited by, and will comply with, the requirements of the acknowledged comprehensive plan and land use regulations and other provisions of law;

(E) The lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited is not high-value farmland except as provided in subsections (3)(c) and (d) of this rule; and

(F) When the lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited lies within an area designated in an acknowledged comprehensive plan as habitat of big game, the siting of the dwelling is consistent with the limitations on density upon which the acknowledged comprehensive plan and land use regulations intended to protect the habitat are based.

(b) When the lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited is part of a tract, the remaining portions of the tract are consolidated into a single lot or parcel when the dwelling is allowed;

(c) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (3)(a)(E) of this rule, a single-family dwelling may be sited on high-value farmland if:

(A) It meets the other requirements of subsections (3)(a) and (b) of this rule;

(B) The lot or parcel is protected as high-value farmland as defined in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(a);

(C) A hearings officer of a county determines that:

(i) The lot or parcel cannot practicably be managed for farm use, by itself or in conjunction with other land, due to extraordinary circumstances inherent in the land or its physical setting that do not apply generally to other land in the vicinity. For the purposes of this section, this criterion asks whether the subject lot or parcel can be physically put to farm use without undue hardship or difficulty because of extraordinary circumstances inherent in the land or its physical setting. Neither size alone nor a parcel's limited economic potential demonstrate that a lot of parcel cannot be practicably managed for farm use. Examples of "extraordinary circumstances inherent in the land or its physical setting" include very steep slopes, deep ravines, rivers, streams, roads, railroad or utility lines or other similar natural or physical barriers that by themselves or in combination separate the subject lot or parcel from adjacent agricultural land and prevent it from being practicably managed for farm use by itself or together with adjacent or nearby farms. A lot or parcel that has been put to farm use despite the proximity of a natural barrier or since the placement of a physical barrier shall be presumed manageable for farm use;

(ii) The dwelling will comply with the provisions of ORS 215.296(1); and
(iii) The dwelling will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern in the area by applying the standards set forth in paragraph (4)(a)(D) of this rule; and

(D) A local government shall provide notice of all applications for dwellings allowed under subsection (3)(c) of this rule to the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Notice shall be provided in accordance with the governing body’s land use regulations but shall be mailed at least 20 calendar days prior to the public hearing before the hearings officer under paragraph (3)(c)(C) of this rule.

(d) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (3)(a)(E) of this rule, a single-family dwelling may be sited on high-value farmland if:

(A) It meets the other requirements of subsections (3)(a) and (b) of this rule;

(B) The tract on which the dwelling will be sited is:

(i) Identified in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(c) or (d);

(ii) Not high-value farmland defined in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(a); and

(iii) Twenty-one acres or less in size; and

(C) The tract is bordered on at least 67 percent of its perimeter by tracts that are smaller than 21 acres, and at least two such tracts had dwellings on January 1, 1993; or

(D) The tract is not a flaglot and is bordered on at least 25 percent of its perimeter by tracts that are smaller than 21 acres, and at least four dwellings existed on January 1, 1993, within one-quarter mile of the center of the subject tract. Up to two of the four dwellings may lie within an urban growth boundary, but only if the subject tract abuts an urban growth boundary; or

(E) The tract is a flaglot and is bordered on at least 25 percent of its perimeter by tracts that are smaller than 21 acres, and at least four dwellings existed on January 1, 1993, within one-quarter mile of the center of the subject tract and on the same side of the public road that provides access to the subject tract. The governing body of a county must interpret the center of the subject tract as the geographic center of the flaglot if the applicant makes a written request for that interpretation and that interpretation does not cause the center to be located outside the flaglot. Up to two of the four dwellings may lie within an urban growth boundary, but only if the subject tract abuts an urban growth boundary:

(i) "flaglot" means a tract containing a narrow strip or panhandle of land providing access from the public road to the rest of the tract.

(ii) "Geographic center of the flaglot" means the point of intersection of two perpendicular lines of which the first line crosses the midpoint of the longest side of a flaglot, at a 90-degree angle to the side, and the second line crosses the midpoint of the longest adjacent side of the flaglot.
(e) If land is in a zone that allows both farm and forest uses, is acknowledged to be in compliance with both Goals 3 and 4 and may qualify as an exclusive farm use zone under ORS chapter 215, a county may apply the standards for siting a dwelling under either section (3) of this rule or OAR 660-006-0027, as appropriate for the predominant use of the tract on January 1, 1993;

(f) A county may, by application of criteria adopted by ordinance, deny approval of a dwelling allowed under section (3) of this rule in any area where the county determines that approval of the dwelling would:

(A) Exceed the facilities and service capabilities of the area;

(B) Materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area; or

(C) Create conditions or circumstances that the county determines would be contrary to the purposes or intent of its acknowledged comprehensive plan or land use regulations.

(g) For purposes of subsection (3)(a) of this rule, "owner" includes the wife, husband, son, daughter, mother, father, brother, brother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, stepparent, stepchild, grandparent or grandchild of the owner or a business entity owned by any one or a combination of these family members;

(h) The county assessor shall be notified that the governing body intends to allow the dwelling.

(i) When a local government approves an application for a single-family dwelling under section (3) of this rule, the application may be transferred by a person who has qualified under section (3) of this rule to any other person after the effective date of the land use decision.

(4) A single-family residential dwelling not provided in conjunction with farm use requires approval of the governing body or its designate in any farmland area zoned for exclusive farm use:

(a) In the Willamette Valley, the use may be approved if:

(A) The dwelling or activities associated with the dwelling will not force a significant change in or significantly increase the cost of accepted farming or forest practices on nearby lands devoted to farm or forest use;

(B) The dwelling will be sited on a lot or parcel that is predominantly composed of Class IV through VIII soils that would not, when irrigated, be classified as prime, unique, Class I or II soils;

(C) The dwelling will be sited on a lot or parcel created before January 1, 1993;
(D) The dwelling will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. In determining whether a proposed nonfarm dwelling will alter the stability of the land use pattern in the area, a county shall consider the cumulative impact of possible new nonfarm dwellings and parcels on other lots or parcels in the area similarly situated. To address this standard, the county shall:

(i) Identify a study area for the cumulative impacts analysis. The study area shall include at least 2000 acres or a smaller area not less than 1000 acres, if the smaller area is a distinct agricultural area based on topography, soil types, land use pattern, or the type of farm or ranch operations or practices that distinguish it from other, adjacent agricultural areas. Findings shall describe the study area, its boundaries, the location of the subject parcel within this area, why the selected area is representative of the land use pattern surrounding the subject parcel and is adequate to conduct the analysis required by this standard. Lands zoned for rural residential or other urban or nonresource uses shall not be included in the study area;

(ii) Identify within the study area the broad types of farm uses (irrigated or nonirrigated crops, pasture or grazing lands), the number, location and type of existing dwellings (farm, nonfarm, hardship, etc.), and the dwelling development trends since 1993. Determine the potential number of nonfarm/lot-of-record dwellings that could be approved under subsections (3)(a) and section 4 of this rule, including identification of predominant soil classifications, the parcels created prior to January 1, 1993 and the parcels larger than the minimum lot size that may be divided to create new parcels for nonfarm dwellings under ORS 215.263(4). The findings shall describe the existing land use pattern of the study area including the distribution and arrangement of existing uses and the land use pattern that could result from approval of the possible nonfarm dwellings under this subparagraph; and

(iii) Determine whether approval of the proposed nonfarm/lot-of-record dwellings together with existing nonfarm dwellings will materially alter the stability of the land use pattern in the area. The stability of the land use pattern will be materially altered if the cumulative effect of existing and potential nonfarm dwellings will make it more difficult for the existing types of farms in the area to continue operation due to diminished opportunities to expand, purchase or lease farmland, acquire water rights or diminish the number of tracts or acreage in farm use in a manner that will destabilize the overall character of the study area; and

(E) The dwelling complies with such other conditions as the governing body or its designate considers necessary.

(b) In the Willamette Valley, on a lot or parcel allowed under OAR 660-033-0100(11), the use may be approved if:

(A) The dwelling or activities associated with the dwelling will not force a significant change in or significantly increase the cost of accepted farming or forest practices on nearby lands devoted to farm or forest use;

(B) The dwelling will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. In determining whether a proposed nonfarm dwelling will alter the stability of the land use
pattern in the area, a county shall consider the cumulative impact of nonfarm dwellings on other
lots or parcels in the area similarly situated and whether creation of the parcel will lead to
creation of other nonfarm parcels, to the detriment of agriculture in the area by applying the
standards set forth in paragraph (4)(a)(D) of this rule; and

(C) The dwelling complies with such other conditions as the governing body or its designate
considers necessary.

c) In counties located outside the Willamette Valley require findings that:

(A) The dwelling or activities associated with the dwelling will not force a significant change in
or significantly increase the cost of accepted farming or forest practices on nearby lands devoted
to farm or forest use;

(B)(i) The dwelling is situated upon a lot or parcel, or a portion of a lot or parcel, that is
generally unsuitable land for the production of farm crops and livestock or merchantable tree
species, considering the terrain, adverse soil or land conditions, drainage and flooding,
vegetation, location and size of the tract. A lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel shall not be
considered unsuitable solely because of size or location if it can reasonably be put to farm or
forest use in conjunction with other land; and

(ii) A lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel is not "generally unsuitable" simply because it is
too small to be farmed profitably by itself. If a lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel can be
sold, leased, rented or otherwise managed as a part of a commercial farm or ranch, then the lot or
parcel or portion of the lot or parcel is not "generally unsuitable". A lot or parcel or portion of a
lot or parcel is presumed to be suitable if, in Western Oregon it is composed predominantly of
Class I-IV soils or, in Eastern Oregon, it is composed predominantly of Class I-VI soils. Just
because a lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel is unsuitable for one farm use does not mean it
is not suitable for another farm use; or

(iii) If the parcel is under forest assessment, the dwelling shall be situated upon generally
unsuitable land for the production of merchantable tree species recognized by the Forest
Practices Rules, considering the terrain, adverse soil or land conditions, drainage and flooding,
vegetation, location and size of the parcel. If a lot or parcel is under forest assessment, the area is
not "generally unsuitable" simply because it is too small to be managed for forest production
profitably by itself. If a lot or parcel under forest assessment can be sold, leased, rented or
otherwise managed as a part of a forestry operation, it is not "generally unsuitable". If a lot or
 parcel is under forest assessment, it is presumed suitable if, in Western Oregon, it is composed
predominantly of soils capable of producing 50 cubic feet of wood fiber per acre per year, or in
Eastern Oregon it is composed predominantly of soils capable of producing 20 cubic feet of
wood fiber per acre per year. If a lot or parcel is under forest assessment, to be found compatible
and not seriously interfere with forest uses on surrounding land it must not force a significant
change in forest practices or significantly increase the cost of those practices on the surrounding
land;
(C) The dwelling will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area.

In determining whether a proposed nonfarm dwelling will alter the stability of the land use pattern in the area, a county shall consider the cumulative impact of nonfarm dwellings on other lots or parcels in the area similarly situated by applying the standards set forth in paragraph (4)(a)(D) of this rule. If the application involves the creation of a new parcel for the nonfarm dwelling, a county shall consider whether creation of the parcel will lead to creation of other nonfarm parcels, to the detriment of agriculture in the area by applying the standards set forth in paragraph (4)(a)(D) of this rule; and

(D) The dwelling complies with such other conditions as the governing body or its designate considers necessary.

d) If a single-family dwelling is established on a lot or parcel as set forth in section (3) of this rule or OAR 660-006-0027, no additional dwelling may later be sited under the provisions of section (4) of this rule;

(e) Counties that have adopted marginal lands provisions before January 1, 1993, shall apply the standards in ORS 215.213(3) through 215.213(8) for nonfarm dwellings on lands zoned exclusive farm use that are not designated marginal or high-value farmland.

(5) Approval requires review by the governing body or its designate under ORS 215.296. Uses may be approved only where such uses:

(a) Will not force a significant change in accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm or forest use; and

(b) Will not significantly increase the cost of accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm or forest use.

(6) A facility for the primary processing of forest products shall not seriously interfere with accepted farming practices and shall be compatible with farm uses described in ORS 215.203(2). Such facility may be approved for a one-year period that is renewable and is intended to be only portable or temporary in nature. The primary processing of a forest product, as used in this section, means the use of a portable chipper or stud mill or other similar methods of initial treatment of a forest product in order to enable its shipment to market. Forest products as used in this section means timber grown upon a tract where the primary processing facility is located.

(7) A personal-use airport as used in this section means an airstrip restricted, except for aircraft emergencies, to use by the owner, and, on an infrequent and occasional basis, by invited guests, and by commercial aviation activities in connection with agricultural operations. No aircraft may be based on a personal-use airport other than those owned or controlled by the owner of the airstrip. Exceptions to the activities permitted under this definition may be granted through waiver action by the Oregon Department of Aviation in specific instances. A personal-use airport lawfully existing as of September 13, 1975, shall continue to be permitted subject to any applicable rules of the Oregon Department of Aviation.
(8)(a) A lawfully established dwelling is a single-family dwelling which:

(A) Has intact exterior walls and roof structure;
(B) Has indoor plumbing consisting of a kitchen sink, toilet and bathing facilities connected to a sanitary waste disposal system;
(C) Has interior wiring for interior lights; and
(D) Has a heating system.

(b) In the case of replacement, the dwelling to be replaced shall be:

(i) Removed, demolished, or converted to an allowable nonresidential use within three months of the completion of the replacement dwelling. A replacement dwelling may be sited on any part of the same lot or parcel. A dwelling established under this section shall comply with all applicable siting standards. However, the standards shall not be applied in a manner that prohibits the siting of the dwelling. If the dwelling to be replaced is located on a portion of the lot or parcel not zoned for exclusive farm use, the applicant, as a condition of approval, shall execute and record in the deed records for the county where the property is located a deed restriction prohibiting the siting of a dwelling on that portion of the lot or parcel. The restriction imposed shall be irrevocable unless a statement of release is placed in the deed records for the county. The release shall be signed by the county or its designee and state that the provisions of this section regarding replacement dwellings have changed to allow the siting of another dwelling. The county planning director or the director's designee shall maintain a record of the lots and parcels that do not qualify for the siting of a new dwelling under the provisions of this section, including a copy of the deed restrictions and release statements filed under this section; and

(ii) For which the applicant has requested a deferred replacement permit, is removed or demolished within three months after the deferred replacement permit is issued. A deferred replacement permit allows construction of the replacement dwelling at any time. If, however, the established dwelling is not removed or demolished within three months after the deferred replacement permit is issued, the permit becomes void. The replacement dwelling must comply with applicable building codes, plumbing codes, sanitation codes and other requirements relating to health and safety or to siting at the time of construction. A deferred replacement permit may not be transferred, by sale or otherwise, except by the applicant to the spouse or a child of the applicant.

(c) An accessory farm dwelling authorized pursuant to OAR 660-033-0130(24)(a)(B)(iii), may only be replaced by a manufactured dwelling.

(9)(a) To qualify, a dwelling shall be occupied by relatives whose assistance in the management and farm use of the existing commercial farming operation is required by the farm operator. The farm operator shall continue to play the predominant role in the management and farm use of the farm. A farm operator is a person who operates a farm, doing the work and making the day-to-day decisions about such things as planting, harvesting, feeding and marketing.
(b) Notwithstanding ORS 92.010 to 92.192 or the minimum lot or parcel requirements under ORS 215.780, if the owner of a dwelling described in OAR 660-033-0130(9) obtains construction financing or other financing secured by the dwelling and the secured party forecloses on the dwelling, the secured party may also foreclose on the “homesite,” as defined in ORS 308A.250, and the foreclosure shall operate as a partition of the homesite to create a new parcel. Prior conditions of approval for the subject land and dwelling remain in effect.

(c) For the purpose of OAR 660-033-0130(9)(b), "foreclosure" means only those foreclosures that are exempt from partition under ORS 92.010(9)(a).

(10) A manufactured dwelling, or recreational vehicle, or the temporary residential use of an existing building allowed under this provision is a temporary use for the term of the hardship suffered by the existing resident or relative as defined in ORS chapter 215. The manufactured dwelling shall use the same subsurface sewage disposal system used by the existing dwelling, if that disposal system is adequate to accommodate the additional dwelling. If the manufactured home will use a public sanitary sewer system, such condition will not be required. Governing bodies shall review the permit authorizing such manufactured homes every two years. Within three months of the end of the hardship, the manufactured dwelling or recreational vehicle shall be removed or demolished or, in the case of an existing building, the building shall be removed, demolished or returned to an allowed nonresidential use. A temporary residence approved under this section is not eligible for replacement under ORS 215.213(1)(q) or 215.283(1)(p).

Department of Environmental Quality review and removal requirements also apply. As used in this section "hardship" means a medical hardship or hardship for the care of an aged or infirm person or persons.

(11) Subject to the issuance of a license, permit or other approval by the Department of Environmental Quality under ORS 454.695, 459.205, 468B.050, 468B.053 or 468B.055, or in compliance with rules adopted under ORS 468B.095, and with the requirements of ORS 215.246, 215.247, 215.249 and 215.251, the land application of reclaimed water, agricultural process or industrial process water or biosolids for agricultural, horticultural or silvicultural production, or for irrigation in connection with a use allowed in an exclusive farm use zones under this division is allowed.

(12) In order to meet the requirements specified in the statute, a historic dwelling shall be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

(13) Roads, highways and other transportation facilities, and improvements not otherwise allowed under this rule may be established, subject to the adoption of the governing body or its designate of an exception to Goal 3, Agricultural Lands, and to any other applicable goal with which the facility or improvement does not comply. In addition, transportation uses and improvements may be authorized under conditions and standards as set forth in OAR 660-012-0035 and 660-012-0065.

(14) Home occupations and the parking of vehicles may be authorized. Home occupations shall be operated substantially in the dwelling or other buildings normally associated with uses permitted in the zone in which the property is located. A home occupation shall be operated by a
resident or employee of a resident of the property on which the business is located, and shall employ on the site no more than five full-time or part-time persons.

(15) New uses that batch and blend mineral and aggregate into asphalt cement may not be authorized within two miles of a planted vineyard. Planted vineyard means one or more vineyards totaling 40 acres or more that are planted as of the date the application for batching and blending is filed.

(16)(a) A utility facility is necessary for public service if the facility must be sited in an exclusive farm use zone in order to provide the service. To demonstrate that a utility facility is necessary, an applicant must show that reasonable alternatives have been considered and that the facility must be sited in an exclusive farm use zone due to one or more of the following factors:

(A) Technical and engineering feasibility;

(B) The proposed facility is locationally dependent. A utility facility is locationally dependent if it must cross land in one or more areas zoned for exclusive farm use in order to achieve a reasonably direct route or to meet unique geographical needs that cannot be satisfied on other lands;

(C) Lack of available urban and nonresource lands;

(D) Availability of existing rights of way;

(E) Public health and safety; and

(F) Other requirements of state and federal agencies.

(b) Costs associated with any of the factors listed in subsection (16)(a) of this rule may be considered, but cost alone may not be the only consideration in determining that a utility facility is necessary for public service. Land costs shall not be included when considering alternative locations for substantially similar utility facilities and the siting of utility facilities that are not substantially similar.

(c) The owner of a utility facility approved under this section shall be responsible for restoring, as nearly as possible, to its former condition any agricultural land and associated improvements that are damaged or otherwise disturbed by the siting, maintenance, repair or reconstruction of the facility. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the owner of the utility facility from requiring a bond or other security from a contractor or otherwise imposing on a contractor the responsibility for restoration.

(d) The governing body of the county or its designee shall impose clear and objective conditions on an application for utility facility siting to mitigate and minimize the impacts of the proposed facility, if any, on surrounding lands devoted to farm use in order to prevent a significant change in accepted farm practices or a significant increase in the cost of farm practices on surrounding farmlands.
(e) Utility facilities necessary for public service may include on-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a utility facility. Such facilities must be removed or converted to an allowed use under OAR 660-033-0130(19) or other statute or rule when project construction is complete. Off-site facilities allowed under this paragraph are subject to OAR 660-033-0130(5). Temporary workforce housing facilities not included in the initial approval may be considered through a minor amendment request. A minor amendment request shall have no effect on the original approval.

(f) In addition to the provisions of subsections (16)(a) to (d) of this rule, the establishment or extension of a sewer system as defined by OAR 660-011-0060(1)(f) in an exclusive farm use zone shall be subject to the provisions of OAR 660-011-0060.

(g) The provisions of subsections (16)(a) to (d) of this rule do not apply to interstate natural gas pipelines and associated facilities authorized by and subject to regulation by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

(17) A power generation facility may include on-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a power generation facility. Such facilities must be removed or converted to an allowed use under OAR 660-033-0130(19) or other statute or rule when project construction is complete. Temporary workforce housing facilities not included in the initial approval may be considered through a minor amendment request. A minor amendment request shall be subject to OAR 660-033-0130(5) and shall have no effect on the original approval. Permanent features of a power generation facility shall not preclude more than 12 acres from use as a commercial agricultural enterprise unless an exception is taken pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4.

(18)(a) Existing facilities wholly within a farm use zone may be maintained, enhanced or expanded on the same tract, subject to other requirements of law. An existing golf course may be expanded consistent with the requirements of sections (5) and (20) of this rule, but shall not be expanded to contain more than 36 total holes.

(b) In addition to and not in lieu of the authority in ORS 215.130 to continue, alter, restore or replace a use that has been disallowed by the enactment or amendment of a zoning ordinance or regulation, a use formerly allowed pursuant to ORS 215.213(1)(a) or 215.283(1)(a), as in effect before January 1, 2010, the effective date of 2009 Oregon Laws, chapter 850, section 14, may be expanded subject to:

(A) The requirements of subsection (c) of this section; and

(B) Conditional approval of the county in the manner provided in ORS 215.296.

(c) A nonconforming use described in subsection (b) of this section may be expanded under this section if:

(A) The use was established on or before January 1, 2009; and
(B) The expansion occurs on:

(i) The tax lot on which the use was established on or before January 1, 2009; or

(ii) A tax lot that is contiguous to the tax lot described in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph and
that was owned by the applicant on January 1, 2009.

(19)(a) Except on a lot or parcel contiguous to a lake or reservoir, private campgrounds shall not
be allowed within three miles of an urban growth boundary unless an exception is approved
pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4. A campground is an area devoted to
overnight temporary use for vacation, recreational or emergency purposes, but not for residential
purposes and is established on a site or is contiguous to lands with a park or other outdoor natural
amenity that is accessible for recreational use by the occupants of the campground. A
campground shall be designed and integrated into the rural agricultural and forest environment in
a manner that protects the natural amenities of the site and provides buffers of existing native
trees and vegetation or other natural features between campsites. Campgrounds authorized by
this rule shall not include intensively developed recreational uses such as swimming pools, tennis
courts, retail stores or gas stations. Overnight temporary use in the same campground by a
camper or camper's vehicle shall not exceed a total of 30 days during any consecutive six-month
period.

(b) Campsites may be occupied by a tent, travel trailer, yurt or recreational vehicle. Separate
sewer, water or electric service hook-ups shall not be provided to individual camp sites except
that electrical service may be provided to yurts allowed for by subsection (19)(c) of this rule.

(c) Subject to the approval of the county governing body or its designee, a private campground
may provide yurts for overnight camping. No more than one-third or a maximum of 10
campsites, whichever is smaller, may include a yurt. The yurt shall be located on the ground or
on a wood floor with no permanent foundation. Upon request of a county governing body, the
commission may provide by rule for an increase in the number of yurts allowed on all or a
portion of the campgrounds in a county if the commission determines that the increase will
comply with the standards described in ORS 215.296(1). As used in this section, "yurt" means a
round, domed shelter of cloth or canvas on a collapsible frame with no plumbing, sewage
disposal hook-up or internal cooking appliance.

(20) "Golf Course" means an area of land with highly maintained natural turf laid out for the
game of golf with a series of nine or more holes, each including a tee, a fairway, a putting green,
and often one or more natural or artificial hazards. A "golf course" for purposes of ORS
215.213(2)(f), 215.283(2)(f), and this division means a nine or 18 hole regulation golf course or
a combination nine and 18 hole regulation golf course consistent with the following:

(a) A regulation 18 hole golf course is generally characterized by a site of about 120 to 150 acres
of land, has a playable distance of 5,000 to 7,200 yards, and a par of 64 to 73 strokes;

(b) A regulation nine hole golf course is generally characterized by a site of about 65 to 90 acres
of land, has a playable distance of 2,500 to 3,600 yards, and a par of 32 to 36 strokes;
(c) Non-regulation golf courses are not allowed uses within these areas. "Non-regulation golf course" means a golf course or golf course-like development that does not meet the definition of golf course in this rule, including but not limited to executive golf courses, Par three golf courses, pitch and putt courses, miniature golf courses and driving ranges;

(d) Counties shall limit accessory uses provided as part of a golf course consistent with the following standards:

(A) An accessory use to a golf course is a facility or improvement that is incidental to the operation of the golf course and is either necessary for the operation and maintenance of the golf course or that provides goods or services customarily provided to golfers at a golf course. An accessory use or activity does not serve the needs of the non-golfing public. Accessory uses to a golf course may include: Parking; maintenance buildings; cart storage and repair; practice range or driving range; clubhouse; restrooms; lockers and showers; food and beverage service; pro shop; a practice or beginners course as part of an 18 hole or larger golf course; or golf tournament. Accessory uses to a golf course do not include: Sporting facilities unrelated to golfing such as tennis courts, swimming pools, and weight rooms; wholesale or retail operations oriented to the non-golfing public; or housing;

(B) Accessory uses shall be limited in size and orientation on the site to serve the needs of persons and their guests who patronize the golf course to golf. An accessory use that provides commercial services (e.g., pro shop, etc.) shall be located in the clubhouse rather than in separate buildings; and

(C) Accessory uses may include one or more food and beverage service facilities in addition to food and beverage service facilities located in a clubhouse. Food and beverage service facilities must be part of and incidental to the operation of the golf course and must be limited in size and orientation on the site to serve only the needs of persons who patronize the golf course and their guests. Accessory food and beverage service facilities shall not be designed for or include structures for banquets, public gatherings or public entertainment.

(21) "Living History Museum" means a facility designed to depict and interpret everyday life and culture of some specific historic period using authentic buildings, tools, equipment and people to simulate past activities and events. As used in this rule, a living history museum shall be related to resource based activities and shall be owned and operated by a governmental agency or a local historical society. A living history museum may include limited commercial activities and facilities that are directly related to the use and enjoyment of the museum and located within authentic buildings of the depicted historic period or the museum administration building, if areas other than an exclusive farm use zone cannot accommodate the museum and related activities or if the museum administration buildings and parking lot are located within one quarter mile of an urban growth boundary. "Local historical society" means the local historical society, recognized as such by the county governing body and organized under ORS chapter 65.

(22) A power generation facility may include on-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a power generation facility. Such facilities must be
removed or converted to an allowed use under OAR 660-033-0130(19) or other statute or rule
when project construction is complete. Temporary workforce housing facilities not included in
the initial approval may be considered through a minor amendment request. A minor amendment
request shall be subject to OAR 660-033-0130(5) and shall have no effect on the original
approval. Permanent features of a power generation facility shall not preclude more than 20 acres
from use as a commercial agricultural enterprise unless an exception is taken pursuant to ORS
197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4.

(23) A farm stand may be approved if:

(a) The structures are designed and used for sale of farm crops and livestock grown on the farm
operation, or grown on the farm operation and other farm operations in the local agricultural
area, including the sale of retail incidental items and fee-based activity to promote the sale of
farm crops or livestock sold at the farm stand if the annual sales of the incidental items and fees
from promotional activity do not make up more than 25 percent of the total annual sales of the
farm stand; and

(b) The farm stand does not include structures designed for occupancy as a residence or for
activities other than the sale of farm crops and livestock and does not include structures for
banquets, public gatherings or public entertainment.

(c) As used in this section, "farm crops or livestock" includes both fresh and processed farm
crops and livestock grown on the farm operation, or grown on the farm operation and other farm
operations in the local agricultural area. As used in this subsection, "processed crops and
livestock" includes jams, syrups, apple cider, animal products and other similar farm crops and
livestock that have been processed and converted into another product but not prepared food
items.

(d) As used in this section, "local agricultural area" includes Oregon or an adjacent county in
Washington, Idaho, Nevada or California that borders the Oregon county in which the farm stand
is located.

(24) Accessory farm dwellings as defined by subsection (24)(e) of this section may be
considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if:

(a) Each accessory farm dwelling meets all the following requirements:

(A) The accessory farm dwelling will be occupied by a person or persons who will be principally
engaged in the farm use of the land and whose seasonal or year-round assistance in the
management of the farm use, such as planting, harvesting, marketing or caring for livestock, is or
will be required by the farm operator;

(B) The accessory farm dwelling will be located:

(i) On the same lot or parcel as the primary farm dwelling; or
(ii) On the same tract as the primary farm dwelling when the lot or parcel on which the accessory
farm dwelling will be sited is consolidated into a single parcel with all other contiguous lots and
parcels in the tract; or

(iii) On a lot or parcel on which the primary farm dwelling is not located, when the accessory
farm dwelling is limited to only a manufactured dwelling with a deed restriction. The deed
restriction shall be filed with the county clerk and require the manufactured dwelling to be
removed when the lot or parcel is conveyed to another party. The manufactured dwelling may
remain if it is reapproved under these rules; or

(iv) On any lot or parcel [on which the primary farm dwelling is not located], when the accessory
farm dwelling is limited to only attached multi-unit residential structures allowed by the
applicable state building code or similar types of farm [labor]worker housing as that existing
[farm labor housing] on [the] farm or ranch operations registered with the Department of
Consumer and Business Services, Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division under ORS
658.750. A county shall require all accessory farm dwellings approved under this subparagraph
to be removed, demolished or converted to a nonresidential use when farmworker housing is no
longer required. “Farmworker housing” shall have the meaning set forth in ORS 215.278
and not the meaning in ORS 315.163; or

(v) On a lot or parcel on which the primary farm dwelling is not located, when the accessory
farm dwelling is located on a lot or parcel at least the size of the applicable minimum lot size
under ORS 215.780 and the lot or parcel complies with the gross farm income requirements in
OAR 660-033-0135(3) or (4), whichever is applicable; and

(C) There is no other dwelling on the lands designated for exclusive farm use owned by the farm
operator that is vacant or currently occupied by persons not working on the subject farm or ranch
and that could reasonably be used as an accessory farm dwelling.

(b) In addition to the requirements in subsection (a) of this section, the primary farm dwelling to
which the proposed dwelling would be accessory, meets one of the following:

(A) On land not identified as high-value farmland, the primary farm dwelling is located on a
farm or ranch operation that is currently employed for farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203, and
produced in the last two years, or three of the last five years or an average of three of the last
five years the lower of the following:

(i) At least $40,000 in gross annual income from the sale of farm products. In determining the
gross income, the cost of purchased livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income
attributed to the tract; or

(ii) Gross annual income of at least the midpoint of the median income range of gross annual
sales for farms in the county with the gross annual sales of $10,000 or more according to the
1992 Census of Agriculture, Oregon. In determining the gross income, the cost of purchased
livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income attributed to the tract; or
(B) On land identified as high-value farmland, the primary farm dwelling is located on a farm or ranch operation that is currently employed for farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203, and produced at least $80,000 in gross annual income from the sale of farm products in the last two years, or three of the last five years or an average of three of the last five years. In determining the gross income, the cost of purchased livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income attributed to the tract; or

(C) On land not identified as high-value farmland in counties that have adopted marginal lands provisions under former ORS 197.247 (1991 Edition) before January 1, 1993, the primary farm dwelling is located on a farm or ranch operation that meets the standards and requirements of ORS 215.213(2)(a) or (b) or OAR 660-033-0130(24)(b)(A); or

(D) It is located on a commercial dairy farm as defined by OAR 660-033-0135(8); and

(i) The building permits, if required, have been issued and construction has begun or been completed for the buildings and animal waste facilities required for a commercial dairy farm;

(ii) The Oregon Department of Agriculture has approved a permit for a "confined animal feeding operation" under ORS 468B.050 and 468B.200 to 468B.230; and

(iii) A Producer License for the sale of dairy products under ORS 621.072.

(c) The governing body of a county shall not approve any proposed division of a lot or parcel for an accessory farm dwelling approved pursuant to this section. If it is determined that an accessory farm dwelling satisfies the requirements of OAR 660-033-0135, a parcel may be created consistent with the minimum parcel size requirements in OAR 660-033-0100.

(d) An accessory farm dwelling approved pursuant to this section cannot later be used to satisfy the requirements for a dwelling not provided in conjunction with farm use pursuant to section (4) of this rule.

(e) For the purposes of OAR 660-033-0130(24), "accessory farm dwelling" includes all types of residential structures allowed by the applicable state building code.

(25) In counties that have adopted marginal lands provisions under former ORS 197.247 (1991 Edition) before January 1, 1993, an armed forces reserve center is allowed, if the center is within one-half mile of a community college. An "armed forces reserve center" includes an armory or National Guard support facility.

(26) Buildings and facilities shall not be more than 500 square feet in floor area or placed on a permanent foundation unless the building or facility preexisted the use approved under this section. The site shall not include an aggregate surface or hard surface area unless the surface preexisted the use approved under this section. An owner of property used for the purpose authorized in this section may charge a person operating the use on the property rent for the property. An operator may charge users of the property a fee that does not exceed the operator’s cost to maintain the property, buildings and facilities. As used in this section, “model aircraft”
means a small-scale version of an airplane, glider, helicopter, dirigible or balloon that is used or intended to be used for flight and is controlled by radio, lines or design by a person on the ground.

(27) Insect species shall not include any species under quarantine by the Oregon Department of Agriculture or the United States Department of Agriculture. The county shall provide notice of all applications under this section to the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Notice shall be provided in accordance with the county's land use regulations but shall be mailed at least 20 calendar days prior to any administrative decision or initial public hearing on the application.

(28) The farm on which the processing facility is located must provide at least one-quarter of the farm crops processed at the facility. The building established for the processing facility shall not exceed 10,000 square feet of floor area exclusive of the floor area designated for preparation, storage or other farm use or devote more than 10,000 square feet to the processing activities within another building supporting farm use. A processing facility shall comply with all applicable siting standards but the standards shall not be applied in a manner that prohibits the siting of the processing facility. A county shall not approve any division of a lot or parcel that separates a processing facility from the farm operation on which it is located.

(29)(a) Composting operations and facilities allowed on high-value farmland are limited to those that are accepted farming practices in conjunction with and auxiliary to farm use on the subject tract, and that meet the performance and permitting requirements of the Department of Environmental Quality [DEQ] under OAR 340-093-0050 and 340-096-0060. Excess compost may be sold to neighboring farm operations in the local area and shall be limited to bulk loads of at least one unit (7.5 cubic yards) in size. Buildings and facilities used in conjunction with the composting operation shall only be those required for the operation of the subject facility.

(b) Composting operations and facilities allowed on land not defined as high-value farmland shall meet the performance and permitting requirements of the Department of Environmental Quality under OAR 340-093-0050 and 340-096-0060. Composting operations that are accepted farming practices in conjunction with and auxiliary to farm use on the subject tract are allowed uses, while other composting operations are subject to the review standards of ORS 215.296. Buildings and facilities used in conjunction with the composting operation shall only be those required for the operation of the subject facility. Onsite sales shall be limited to bulk loads of at least one unit (7.5 cubic yards) in size that are transported in one vehicle.

(30) The County governing body or its designate shall require as a condition of approval of a single-family dwelling under ORS 215.213, 215.283 or 215.284 or otherwise in a farm or forest zone, that the landowner for the dwelling sign and record in the deed records for the county a document binding the landowner, and the landowner's successors in interest, prohibiting them from pursuing a claim for relief or cause of action alleging injury from farming or forest practices for which no action or claim is allowed under ORS 30.936 or 30.937.

(31) Public parks including only the uses specified under OAR 660-034-0035 or 660-034-0040, whichever is applicable.
(32) Utility facility service lines are utility lines and accessory facilities or structures that end at
the point where the utility service is received by the customer and that are located on one or more
of the following:

(a) A public right of way;

(b) Land immediately adjacent to a public right of way, provided the written consent of all
adjacent property owners has been obtained; or

(c) The property to be served by the utility.

(33) An outdoor mass gathering as defined in ORS 433.735 or other gathering of 3,000 or fewer
persons that is not anticipated to continue for more than 120 hours in any three-month period is
not a "land use decision" as defined in ORS 197.015(10) or subject to review under this division.

(34) Any outdoor mass gathering of more than 3,000 persons that is anticipated to continue for
more than 120 hours in any three-month planning period is subject to review by a county
planning commission under the provisions of ORS 433.763.

(35)(a) As part of the conditional use approval process under ORS 215.296 and OAR 660-033-
0130(5), for the purpose of verifying the existence, continuity and nature of the business
described in ORS 215.213(2)(w) or 215.283(2)(y), representatives of the business may apply to
the county and submit evidence including, but not limited to, sworn affidavits or other
documentary evidence that the business qualifies; and

(b) Alteration, restoration or replacement of a use authorized in ORS 215.213(2)(w) or
215.283(2)(y) may be altered, restored or replaced pursuant to ORS 215.130(5), (6) and (9).

(36) For counties subject to ORS 215.283 and not 215.213, a community center authorized under
this section may provide services to veterans, including but not limited to emergency and
transitional shelter, preparation and service of meals, vocational and educational counseling and
referral to local, state or federal agencies providing medical, mental health, disability income
replacement and substance abuse services, only in a facility that is in existence on January 1,
2006. The services may not include direct delivery of medical, mental health, disability income
replacement or substance abuse services.

(37) For purposes of this rule a wind power generation facility includes, but is not limited to, the
following system components: all wind turbine towers and concrete pads, permanent
meteorological towers and wind measurement devices, electrical cable collection systems
connecting wind turbine towers with the relevant power substation, new or expanded private
roads (whether temporary or permanent) constructed to serve the wind power generation facility,
office and operation and maintenance buildings, temporary lay-down areas and all other
necessary appurtenances, including but not limited to on-site and off-site facilities for temporary
workforce housing for workers constructing a wind power generation facility. Such facilities
must be removed or converted to an allowed use under OAR 660-033-0130(19) or other statute
or rule when project construction is complete. Temporary workforce housing facilities not
included in the initial approval may be considered through a minor amendment request filed after
a decision to approve a power generation facility. A minor amendment request shall be subject to
OAR 660-033-0130(5) and shall have no effect on the original approval. A proposal for a wind
power generation facility shall be subject to the following provisions:

(a) For high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10), the governing body or its
designate must find that all of the following are satisfied:

(A) Reasonable alternatives have been considered to show that siting the wind power generation
facility or component thereof on high-value farmland soils is necessary for the facility or
component to function properly or if a road system or turbine string must be placed on such soils
to achieve a reasonably direct route considering the following factors:

(i) Technical and engineering feasibility;

(ii) Availability of existing rights of way; and

(iii) The long term environmental, economic, social and energy consequences of siting the
facility or component on alternative sites, as determined under OAR 660-033-0130(37)(a)(B);

(B) The long-term environmental, economic, social and energy consequences resulting from the
wind power generation facility or any components thereof at the proposed site with measures
designed to reduce adverse impacts are not significantly more adverse than would typically result
from the same proposal being located on other agricultural lands that do not include high-value
farmland soils;

(C) Costs associated with any of the factors listed in OAR 660-033-0130(37)(a)(A) may be
considered, but costs alone may not be the only consideration in determining that siting any
component of a wind power generation facility on high-value farmland soils is necessary;

(D) The owner of a wind power generation facility approved under OAR 660-033-0130(37)(a)
shall be responsible for restoring, as nearly as possible, to its former condition any agricultural
land and associated improvements that are damaged or otherwise disturbed by the siting,
maintenance, repair or reconstruction of the facility. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the
owner of the facility from requiring a bond or other security from a contractor or otherwise
imposing on a contractor the responsibility for restoration; and

(E) The criteria of OAR 660-033-0130(37)(b) are satisfied.

(b) For arable lands, meaning lands that are cultivated or suitable for cultivation, including high-
value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10), the governing body or its designate must
find that:

(A) The proposed wind power facility will not create unnecessary negative impacts on
agricultural operations conducted on the subject property. Negative impacts could include, but
are not limited to, the unnecessary construction of roads, dividing a field or multiple fields in
such a way that creates small or isolated pieces of property that are more difficult to farm, and
placing wind farm components such as meteorological towers on lands in a manner that could
disrupt common and accepted farming practices;

(B) The presence of a proposed wind power facility will not result in unnecessary soil erosion or
loss that could limit agricultural productivity on the subject property. This provision may be
satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a soil and erosion control plan prepared by an
adequately qualified individual, showing how unnecessary soil erosion will be avoided or
remedied and how topsoil will be stripped, stockpiled and clearly marked. The approved plan
shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval;

(C) Construction or maintenance activities will not result in unnecessary soil compaction that
reduces the productivity of soil for crop production. This provision may be satisfied by the
submittal and county approval of a plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual, showing
how unnecessary soil compaction will be avoided or remedied in a timely manner through deep
soil decompaction or other appropriate practices. The approved plan shall be attached to the
decision as a condition of approval; and

(D) Construction or maintenance activities will not result in the unabated introduction or spread
of noxious weeds and other undesirable weeds species. This provision may be satisfied by the
submittal and county approval of a weed control plan prepared by an adequately qualified
individual that includes a long-term maintenance agreement. The approved plan shall be attached
to the decision as a condition of approval.

(c) For nonarable lands, meaning lands that are not suitable for cultivation, the governing body
or its designate must find that the requirements of OAR 660-033-0130(37)(b)(D) are satisfied.

(d) In the event that a wind power generation facility is proposed on a combination of arable and
nonarable lands as described in OAR 660-033-0130(37)(b) and (c) the approval criteria of OAR
660-033-0130(37)(b) shall apply to the entire project.

(e) Excavation and other activities associated with wind power generation facilities must
comply with the requirements of ORS 358.920 regarding archaeological objects and sites.

(38) A proposal to site a photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall be subject to the
following definitions and provisions:

(a) “Arable land” means land in a tract that is predominantly cultivated or, if not currently
cultivated, predominantly comprised of arable soils.

(b) “Arable soils” means soils that are suitable for cultivation as determined by the governing
body or its designate based on substantial evidence in the record of a local land use application,
but “arable soils” do not include high-value farmland soils described at ORO 195.300(10)
unless otherwise stated.
(c) “Nonarable land” means land in a tract that is predominantly not cultivated and predominantly comprised of nonarable soils.

(d) “Nonarable soils” means soils that are not suitable for cultivation. Soils with an NRCS agricultural capability class V-VIII and no history of irrigation shall be considered nonarable in all cases. The governing body or its designate may determine other soils, including soils with a past history of irrigation, to be nonarable based on substantial evidence in the record of a local land use application.

(e) “Photovoltaic solar power generation facility” includes, but is not limited to, an assembly of equipment that converts sunlight into electricity and then stores, transfers, or both, that electricity. This includes photovoltaic modules, mounting and solar tracking equipment, foundations, inverters, wiring, and storage devices and other components. Photovoltaic solar power generation facilities also include electrical cable collection systems connecting the photovoltaic solar generation facility to a transmission line, all necessary grid integration equipment, new or expanded private roads constructed to serve the photovoltaic solar power generation facility, office, operation and maintenance buildings, staging areas and all other necessary appurtenances. For purposes of applying the acreage standards of this section, a photovoltaic solar power generation facility includes all existing and proposed facilities on a single tract, as well as any existing and proposed facilities determined to be under common ownership on lands with fewer than 1320 feet of separation from the tract on which the new facility is proposed to be sited. Projects connected to the same parent company or individuals shall be considered to be in common ownership, regardless of the operating business structure. A photovoltaic solar power generation facility does not include a net metering project established consistent with ORS 757.300 and OAR chapter 860, division 39 or a Feed-in-Tariff project established consistent with ORS 757.365 and OAR chapter 860, division 84.

(f) For high-value farmland described at ORS 195.300(10), a photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall not preclude more than 12 acres from use as a commercial agricultural enterprise unless an exception is taken pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4. The governing body or its designate must find that:

(A) The proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility will not create unnecessary negative impacts on agricultural operations conducted on any portion of the subject property not occupied by project components. Negative impacts could include, but are not limited to, the unnecessary construction of roads, dividing a field or multiple fields in such a way that creates small or isolated pieces of property that are more difficult to farm, and placing photovoltaic solar power generation facility project components on lands in a manner that could disrupt common and accepted farming practices;

(B) The presence of a photovoltaic solar power generation facility will not result in unnecessary soil erosion or loss that could limit agricultural productivity on the subject property. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a soil and erosion control plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual, showing how unnecessary soil erosion will be avoided or remedied and how topsoil will be stripped, stockpiled and clearly marked. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval;
(C) Construction or maintenance activities will not result in unnecessary soil compaction that reduces the productivity of soil for crop production. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual, showing how unnecessary soil compaction will be avoided or remedied in a timely manner through deep soil decompaction or other appropriate practices. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval;

(D) Construction or maintenance activities will not result in the unabated introduction or spread of noxious weeds and other undesirable weed[s] species. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a weed control plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual that includes a long-term maintenance agreement. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval;

(E) The project is not located on high-value farmland soils unless it can be demonstrated that:

(i) Non high-value farmland soils are not available on the subject tract;

(ii) Siting the project on non high-value farmland soils present on the subject tract would significantly reduce the project’s ability to operate successfully; or

(iii) The proposed site is better suited to allow continuation of an existing commercial farm or ranching operation on the subject tract than other possible sites also located on the subject tract, including those comprised of non high-value farmland soils; and

(F) A study area consisting of lands zoned for exclusive farm use located within one mile measured from the center of the proposed project shall be established and:

(i) If fewer than 48[-]acres of photovoltaic solar power generation facilities have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits within the study area, no further action is necessary.

(ii) When at least 48[-]acres of photovoltaic solar power generation have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits, either as a single project or as multiple facilities, the local government or its designate must find that the photovoltaic solar energy generation facility will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. The stability of the land use pattern will be materially altered if the overall effect of existing and potential photovoltaic solar energy generation facilities will make it more difficult for the existing farms and ranches in the area to continue operation due to diminished opportunities to expand, purchase or lease farmland[,] or acquire water rights, or will reduce[diminish] the number of tracts or acreage in farm use in a manner that will destabilize the overall character of the study area.

(g) For arable lands, a photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall not preclude more than 20 acres from use as a commercial agricultural enterprise unless an exception is taken pursuant
to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4. The governing body or its designate must find that:

(A) The project is not located on high-value farmland soils or arable soils unless it can be demonstrated that:

(i) Nonarable soils are not available on the subject tract;

(ii) Siting the project on nonarable soils present on the subject tract would significantly reduce the project’s ability to operate successfully; or

(iii) The proposed site is better suited to allow continuation of an existing commercial farm or ranching operation on the subject tract than other possible sites also located on the subject tract, including those comprised of nonarable soils;

(B) No more than 12[-]acres of the project will be sited on high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10) unless an exception is taken pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4;

(C) A study area consisting of lands zoned for exclusive farm use located within one mile measured from the center of the proposed project shall be established and:

(i) If fewer than 80[-]acres of photovoltaic solar power generation facilities have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits within the study area no further action is necessary.

(ii) When at least 80[-]acres of photovoltaic solar power generation have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits, either as a single project or as multiple facilities, within the study area the local government or its designate must find that the photovoltaic solar energy generation facility will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. The stability of the land use pattern will be materially altered if the overall effect of existing and potential photovoltaic solar energy generation facilities will make it more difficult for the existing farms and ranches in the area to continue operation due to diminished opportunities to expand, purchase or lease farmland, acquire water rights or diminish the number of tracts or acreage in farm use in a manner that will destabilize the overall character of the study area; and

(D) The requirements of OAR 660-033-0130(38)(f)(A), (B), (C) and (D) are satisfied.

(h) For nonarable lands, a photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall not preclude more than 100[-]acres from use as a commercial agricultural enterprise unless an exception is taken pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4. The governing body or its designate must find that:

(A) The project is not located on high-value farmland soils or arable soils unless it can be demonstrated that:
(i) Siting the project on nonarable soils present on the subject tract would significantly reduce the project’s ability to operate successfully; or

(ii) The proposed site is better suited to allow continuation of an existing commercial farm or ranching operation on the subject tract as compared to other possible sites also located on the subject tract, including sites that are comprised of nonarable soils;

(B) No more than 12[-]acres of the project will be sited on high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10);

(C) No more than 20[-]acres of the project will be sited on arable soils unless an exception is taken pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4;

(D) The requirements of OAR 660-033-0130(38)(f)(D) are satisfied;

(E) If a photovoltaic solar power generation facility is proposed to be developed on lands that contain a Goal 5 resource protected under the county's comprehensive plan, and the plan does not address conflicts between energy facility development and the resource, the applicant and the county, together with any state or federal agency responsible for protecting the resource or habitat supporting the resource, will cooperatively develop a specific resource management plan to mitigate potential development conflicts. If there is no program present to protect the listed Goal 5 resource(s) present in the local comprehensive plan or implementing ordinances and the applicant and the appropriate resource management agency(ies) cannot successfully agree on a cooperative resource management plan, the county is responsible for determining appropriate mitigation measures; and

(F) If a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility is located on lands where the potential exists for adverse effects to state or federal special status species (threatened, endangered, candidate, or sensitive), or to wildlife species of concern identified and mapped by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (including big game winter range and migration corridors, golden eagle and prairie falcon nest sites, and pigeon springs), the applicant shall conduct a site-specific assessment of the subject property in consultation with all appropriate state, federal, and tribal wildlife management agencies. A professional biologist shall conduct the site-specific assessment by using methodologies accepted by the appropriate wildlife management agency and shall determine whether adverse effects to special status species or wildlife species of concern are anticipated. Based on the results of the biologist’s report, the site shall be designed to avoid adverse affects to state or federal special status species or to wildlife species of concern as described above. If the applicant’s site-specific assessment shows that adverse effects cannot be avoided, the applicant and the appropriate wildlife management agency will cooperatively develop an agreement for project-specific mitigation to offset the potential adverse effects of the facility. Where the applicant and the resource management agency cannot agree on what mitigation will be carried out, the county is responsible for determining appropriate mitigation, if any, required for the facility.

(G) The provisions of paragraph (F) are repealed on January 1, 2022.
(i) The county governing body or its designate shall require as a condition of approval for a photovoltaic solar power generation facility, that the project owner sign and record in the deed records for the county a document binding the project owner[1] and the project owner's successors in interest, prohibiting them from pursuing a claim for relief or cause of action alleging injury from farming or forest practices as defined in ORS 30.930(2) and (4).

(j) Nothing in this section shall prevent a county from requiring a bond or other security from a developer or otherwise imposing on a developer the responsibility for retiring the photovoltaic solar power generation facility.

(k) The commission may re-evaluate the acreage thresholds identified in subsections (f), (g) and (h) should ORS 469.300(11)(a)(D) be amended.

(i) **Excavation and other activities associated with photovoltaic solar power generation facilities must comply with the requirements of ORS 358.920 regarding archaeological objects and sites.**

Stat. Auth.: ORS 197.040
Stats. Implemented: ORS 197.040 & 215.213
Hist.: LCDC 6-1992, f. 12-10-92, cert. ef. 8-7-93; LCDC 3-1994, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-94; LCDC 6-1994, f. & cert. ef. 6-3-94; LCDC 8-1995, f. & cert. ef. 6-29-95; LCDC 5-1996, f. & cert. ef. 12-23-96; LCDD 5-1997, f. & cert. ef. 12-23-97; LCDD 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-98; LCDD 5-2000, f. & cert. ef. 4-24-00; LCDD 9-2000, f. & cert. ef. 11-3-00; LCDD 1-2002, f. & cert. ef. 5-22-02; LCDD 1-2004, f. & cert. ef. 4-30-04; LCDD 2-2006, f. & cert. ef. 2-15-06; LCDD 3-2008, f. & cert. ef. 4-18-08; LCDD 5-2008, f. 12-31-08, cert. ef. 1-2-09; LCDD 5-2009, f. & cert. ef. 12-7-09; LCDD 6-2010, f. & cert. ef. 6-17-10; LCDD 7-2010(Temp), f. & cert. ef. 6-17-10 thru 11-30-10; LCDD 9-2010, f. & cert. ef. 9-24-10; LCDD 11-2010, f. & cert. ef. 11-23-10;
LCDD 4-2011, f. & cert. ef. 3-16-11

**660-033-0135**

Dwellings in Conjunction with Farm Use

(1) On land not identified as high-value farmland pursuant to OAR 660-033-0020(8), a dwelling may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if:

(a) The parcel on which the dwelling will be located is at least:

(A) 160 acres and not designated rangeland; or

(B) 320 acres and designated rangeland; or

(C) As large as the minimum parcel size if located in a zoning district with an acknowledged minimum parcel size larger than indicated in paragraph (A) or (B) of this subsection.
(b) The subject tract is currently employed for farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203.

c) The dwelling will be occupied by a person or persons who will be principally engaged in the farm use of the land, such as planting, harvesting, marketing or caring for livestock, at a commercial scale.

d) Except as permitted in ORS 215.213(1)(r) and 215.283(1)(p)(1999 Edition), there is no other dwelling on the subject tract.

(2)(a) If a county prepares the potential gross sales figures pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, the county may determine that on land not identified as high-value farmland pursuant to OAR 660-033-0020(8), a dwelling may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if:

(A) The subject tract is at least as large as the median size of those commercial farm or ranch tracts capable of generating at least $10,000 in annual gross sales that are located within a study area that includes all tracts wholly or partially within one mile from the perimeter of the subject tract;

(B) The subject tract is capable of producing at least the median level of annual gross sales of county indicator crops as the same commercial farm or ranch tracts used to calculate the tract size in paragraph (A) of this subsection;

(C) The subject tract is currently employed for a farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203, at a level capable of producing the annual gross sales required in paragraph (B) of this subsection;

(D) The subject lot or parcel on which the dwelling is proposed is not less than 10 acres in western Oregon or 20 acres in eastern Oregon;

(E) Except as permitted in ORS 215.213(1)(r) and 215.283(1)(p) (1999 Edition), there is no other dwelling on the subject tract;

(F) The dwelling will be occupied by a person or persons who will be principally engaged in the farm use of the land, such as planting, harvesting, marketing or caring for livestock, at a commercial scale; and

(G) If no farm use has been established at the time of application, land use approval shall be subject to a condition that no building permit may be issued prior to the establishment of the farm use required by paragraph (C) of this subsection.

(b) In order to identify the commercial farm or ranch tracts to be used in paragraph (2)(a)(A) of this rule, the gross sales capability of each tract in the study area, including the subject tract, must be determined, using the gross sales figures prepared by the county pursuant to subsection (2)(c) of this section as follows:
(A) Identify the study area. This includes all the land in the tracts wholly or partially within one mile of the perimeter of the subject tract;

(B) Determine for each tract in the study area the number of acres in every land classification from the county assessor’s data;

(C) Determine the potential earning capability for each tract by multiplying the number of acres in each land class by the gross sales per acre for each land class provided by the commission pursuant to subsection (2)(c) of this section. Add these to obtain the potential earning capability for each tract;

(D) Identify those tracts capable of grossing at least $10,000 based on the data generated in paragraph (C) of this subsection; and

(E) Determine the median size and median gross sales capability for those tracts capable of generating at least $10,000 in annual gross sales to use in paragraphs (2)(a)(A) and (B) of this subsection.

(c) In order to review a farm dwelling pursuant to subsection (2)(a) of this section, a county may prepare, subject to review by the director, a table of the estimated potential gross sales per acre for each assessor land class (irrigated and nonirrigated) required in subsection (2)(b) of this section. The director shall provide assistance and guidance to a county in the preparation of this table. The table shall be prepared as follows:

(A) Determine up to three indicator crop types with the highest harvested acreage for irrigated and for nonirrigated lands in the county using the most recent OSU Extension Service Commodity Data Sheets, Report No. 790, "Oregon County and State Agricultural Estimates," or other USDA/Extension Service documentation;

(B) Determine the combined weighted average of the gross sales per acre for the three indicator crop types for irrigated and for nonirrigated lands, as follows:

(i) Determine the gross sales per acre for each indicator crop type for the previous five years (i.e., divide each crop type’s gross annual sales by the harvested acres for each crop type);

(ii) Determine the average gross sales per acre for each crop type for three years, discarding the highest and lowest sales per acre amounts during the five year period;

(iii) Determine the percentage each indicator crop's harvested acreage is of the total combined harvested acres for the three indicator crop types;

(iv) Multiply the combined sales per acre for each crop type identified under subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph by its percentage of harvested acres to determine a weighted sales per acre amount for each indicator crop; and
(v) Add the weighted sales per acre amounts for each indicator crop type identified in subparagraph (iv) of this paragraph. The result provides the combined weighted gross sales per acre.

(C) Determine the average land rent value for irrigated and nonirrigated land classes in the county's exclusive farm use zones according to the annual "income approach" report prepared by the county assessor pursuant to ORS 308A.092; and

(D) Determine the percentage of the average land rent value for each specific land rent for each land classification determined in paragraph (C) of this subsection. Adjust the combined weighted sales per acre amount identified in subparagraph (B)(v) of this subsection using the percentage of average land rent (i.e., multiply the weighted average determined in subparagraph (B)(v) of this subsection by the percent of average land rent value from paragraph (C) of this subsection). The result provides the estimated potential gross sales per acre for each assessor land class that will be provided to each county to be used as explained under paragraph (2)(b)(C) of this section.

(3) On land not identified as high-value farmland, a dwelling may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if:

(a) The subject tract is currently employed for the farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203, that produced in the last two years, or three of the last five years or an average of three of the last five years the lower of the following:

(A) At least $40,000 in gross annual income from the sale of farm products; or

(B) Gross annual income of at least the midpoint of the median income range of gross annual sales for farms in the county with gross annual sales of $10,000 or more according to the 1992 Census of Agriculture, Oregon; and

(b) Except as permitted in ORS 215.213(1)(r) and 215.283(1)(p) (1999 Edition), there is no other dwelling on lands designated for exclusive farm use pursuant to ORS chapter 215 or for mixed farm/forest use pursuant to OAR 660-006-0057 owned by the farm or ranch operator or on the farm or ranch operation;

(c) The dwelling will be occupied by a person or persons who produced the commodities that grossed the income in subsection (a) of this section; and

(d) In determining the gross income required by subsection (a) of this section:

(A) The cost of purchased livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income attributed to the farm or ranch operation;

(B) Only gross income from land owned, not leased or rented, shall be counted; and

(C) Gross farm income earned from a lot or parcel that has been used previously to qualify another lot or parcel for the construction or siting of a primary farm dwelling may not be used.
(4) On land identified as high-value farmland, a dwelling may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if:

(a) The subject tract is currently employed for the farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203, that produced at least $80,000 in gross annual income from the sale of farm products in the last two years, or three of the last five years or an average of three of the last five years; and

(b) Except as permitted in ORS 215.213(1)(r) and 215.283(1)(p) (1999 Edition), there is no other dwelling on lands designated for exclusive farm use pursuant to ORS chapter 215 or for mixed farm/forest use pursuant to OAR 660-006-0057 owned by the farm or ranch operator or on the farm or ranch operation; and

(c) The dwelling will be occupied by a person or persons who produced the commodities that grossed the income in subsection (a) of this section;

(d) In determining the gross income required by subsection (a) of this section;

(A) The cost of purchased livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income attributed to the farm or ranch operation;

(B) Only gross income from land owned, not leased or rented, shall be counted; and

(C) Gross farm income earned from a lot or parcel that has been used previously to qualify another lot or parcel for the construction or siting of a primary farm dwelling may not be used.

(5)(a) For the purpose of sections (3) or (4) of this rule, noncontiguous lots or parcels zoned for farm use in the same county or contiguous counties may be used to meet the gross income requirements. Except for Hood River and Wasco counties and Jackson and Klamath counties, when a farm or ranch operation has lots or parcels in both "western" and "eastern" Oregon as defined by this division, lots or parcels in eastern or western Oregon may not be used to qualify a dwelling in the other part of the state.

(b) Prior to the final approval for a dwelling authorized by sections (3) and (4) of this rule that requires one or more contiguous or non contiguous lots or parcels of a farm or ranch operation to comply with the gross farm income requirements, the applicant shall provide evidence that the covenants, conditions and restrictions form adopted as "Exhibit A" has been recorded with the county clerk of the county or counties where the property subject to the covenants, conditions and restrictions is located. The covenants, conditions and restrictions shall be recorded for each lot or parcel subject to the application for the primary farm dwelling and shall preclude:

(A) All future rights to construct a dwelling except for accessory farm dwellings, relative farm assistance dwellings, temporary hardship dwellings or replacement dwellings allowed by ORS chapter 215; and

(B) The use of any gross farm income earned on the lots or parcels to qualify another lot or parcel for a primary farm dwelling.
(c) The covenants, conditions and restrictions are irrevocable, unless a statement of release is signed by an authorized representative of the county or counties where the property subject to the covenants, conditions and restrictions is located;

(d) Enforcement of the covenants, conditions and restrictions may be undertaken by the department or by the county or counties where the property subject to the covenants, conditions and restrictions is located;

(e) The failure to follow the requirements of this section shall not affect the validity of the transfer of property or the legal remedies available to the buyers of property that is subject to the covenants, conditions and restrictions required by this section;

(f) The county planning director shall maintain a copy of the covenants, conditions and restrictions filed in the county deed records pursuant to this section and a map or other record depicting the lots and parcels subject to the covenants, conditions and restrictions filed in the county deed records pursuant to this section. The map or other record required by this subsection shall be readily available to the public in the county planning office.

(6) In counties that have adopted marginal lands provisions under former ORS 197.247 (1991 Edition) before January 1, 1993, a dwelling may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if it is not on a lot or parcel identified as high-value farmland and it meets the standards and requirements of ORS 215.213(2)(a) or (b).

(7) A dwelling may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with a commercial dairy farm as defined by OAR 660-033-0135(8) if:

(a) The subject tract will be employed as a commercial dairy as defined by OAR 660-033-0135(8);

(b) The dwelling is sited on the same lot or parcel as the buildings required by the commercial dairy;

(c) Except as permitted by ORS 215.213(r) and 215.283(1)(p) (1999 Edition), there is no other dwelling on the subject tract;

(d) The dwelling will be occupied by a person or persons who will be principally engaged in the operation of the commercial dairy farm, such as the feeding, milking or pasturing of the dairy animals or other farm use activities necessary to the operation of the commercial dairy farm;

(e) The building permits, if required, have been issued for and construction has begun for the buildings and animal waste facilities required for a commercial dairy farm; and

(f) The Oregon Department of Agriculture has approved the following:

(A) A permit for a "confined animal feeding operation" under ORS 468B.050 and 468B.200 to 468B.230; and
(B) A Producer License for the sale of dairy products under ORS 621.072.

(8) As used in this division, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Commercial dairy farm" is a dairy operation that owns a sufficient number of producing dairy animals capable of earning the gross annual income required by OAR 660-033-0135(3)(a) or (4)(a), whichever is applicable, from the sale of fluid milk; and

(b) "Farm or ranch operation" means all lots or parcels of land in the same ownership that are used by the farm or ranch operator for farm use as defined in ORS 215.203.

(9) A dwelling may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if:

(a) Within the previous two years, the applicant owned and operated a different farm or ranch operation that earned the gross farm income in the last five years or four of the last seven years as required by OAR 660-033-0135(3) or (4) of this rule, whichever is applicable;

(b) The subject lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be located is:

(A) Currently employed for the farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203, that produced in the last two years, or three of the last five years or an average in three of the last five years of the gross farm income required by OAR 660-033-0135(3) or (4) of this rule, whichever is applicable; and

(B) At least the size of the applicable minimum lot size under OAR 215.780; and

(c) Except as permitted in ORS 215.213(1)(r) and 215.283(1)(p) (1999 Edition), there is no other dwelling on the subject tract;

(d) The dwelling will be occupied by a person or persons who produced the commodities that grossed the income in subsection (a) of this section; and

(e) In determining the gross income required by subsections (a) and (b)(A) of this section:

(A) The cost of purchased livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income attributed to the tract; and

(B) Only gross income from land owned, not leased or rented, shall be counted.

[ED. NOTE: Exhibits referenced are available from the agency.]
Permit Expiration Dates

(1) Except as provided for in section (5) of this rule, a discretionary decision, except for a land division, made after the effective date of this division approving a proposed development on agricultural or forest land outside an urban growth boundary under ORS 215.010 to 215.293 and 215.317 to 215.438 or under county legislation or regulation adopted pursuant thereto is void two years from the date of the final decision if the development action is not initiated in that period.

(2) A county may grant one extension period of up to 12 months if:

(a) An applicant makes a written request for an extension of the development approval period;

(b) The request is submitted to the county prior to the expiration of the approval period;

(c) The applicant states reasons that prevented the applicant from beginning or continuing development within the approval period; and

(d) The county determines that the applicant was unable to begin or continue development during the approval period for reasons for which the applicant was not responsible.

(3) Approval of an extension granted under this rule is an administrative decision, is not a land use decision as described in ORS 197.015 and is not subject to appeal as a land use decision.

(4) Additional one-year extensions may be authorized where applicable criteria for the decision have not changed.

(5)(a) If a permit is approved for a proposed residential development on agricultural or forest land outside of an urban growth boundary, the permit shall be valid for four years.

(b) An extension of a permit described in subsection (5)(a) of this rule shall be valid for two years.

(6) For the purposes of section (5) of this rule, "residential development" only includes the dwellings provided for under ORS 215.213(1)(q), (3) and (4), 215.283(1)(p), 215.284, 215.705(1) to (3), 215.720, 215.740, 215.750 and 215.755(1) and (3).

Stats. Implemented: ORS 197.015, 197.040, 197.230 & 197.245
Hist.: LCDC 6-1992, f. 12-10-92, cert. ef. 8-7-93; LCDD 1-2002, f. & cert. ef. 5-22-02; LCDD 4-2011, f. & cert. ef. 3-16-11

Agriculture/Forest Zones
(1) Agriculture/forest zones may be established and uses allowed pursuant to OAR 660-006-0050;

(2) Land divisions in agriculture/forest zones may be allowed as provided for under OAR 660-006-0055; and

(3) Land may be replanned or rezoned to an agriculture/forest zone pursuant to OAR 660-006-0057.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183, 197.040, 197.230 & 197.245
Hist.: LCDD 2-1998, f. & cert. ef. 6-1-98; LCDD 4-2011, f. & cert. ef. 3-16-11

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Notice of Decisions in Agriculture Zones

(1) Counties shall notify the department of all applications for dwellings and land divisions in exclusive farm use zones. Such notice shall be in accordance with the county's acknowledged comprehensive plan and land use regulations, and shall be mailed to the department's Salem office at least 10 calendar days before any hearing or decision on such application.

(2) Notice of proposed actions described in section (1) of this rule shall be provided as required by procedures for notice contained in ORS 197.763 and 215.402 to 215.438.

(3) The provisions of sections (1) and (2) of this rule are repealed on September 6, 1995.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 197.040, 197.230 & 197.245
Stats. Implemented: ORS 197.015, 197.040, 197.230 & 197.245
Hist.: LCDC 6-1992, f. 12-10-92, cert. ef. 8-7-93; LCDC 3-1994, f. & cert. e.f 3-1-94

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Effective Date

The provisions of this division shall become effective upon filing.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 197.040, 197.230 & 197.245
Stats. Implemented: 215
Hist.: LCDC 6-1992, f. 12-10-92, cert. ef. 8-7-93; LCDC 3-1994, f. & cert. ef. 3-1-94; LCDC 5-1996, 12-23-96
Uses Authorized on Agricultural Lands

OAR 660-033-0120 The specific development and uses listed in the following table are allowed in the areas that qualify for the designation pursuant to this division. All uses are subject to the general provisions, special conditions, additional restrictions and exceptions set forth in this division. The abbreviations used within the schedule shall have the following meanings:

A Use is allowed. Authorization of some uses may require notice and the opportunity for a hearing because the authorization qualifies as a land use decision pursuant to ORS chapter 197. Minimum standards for uses in the table that include a numerical reference are specified in OAR 660-033-0130. Counties may prescribe additional limitations and requirements to meet local concerns only to the extent authorized by law.

R Use may be allowed, after required review. The use requires notice and the opportunity for a hearing. Minimum standards for uses in the table that include a numerical reference are specified in OAR 660-033-0130. Counties may prescribe additional limitations and requirements to meet local concerns.

* Use not allowed.

# Numerical references for specific uses shown on the chart refer to the corresponding section of OAR 660-033-0130. Where no numerical reference is noted for a use on the chart, this rule does not establish criteria for the use.

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Single-family residential dwelling, not provided in conjunction with farm use.

Residential home or facility as defined in ORS 197.660, in existing dwellings.

Room and board arrangements for a maximum of five unrelated persons in existing residences.

Replacement dwelling to be used in conjunction with farm use if the existing dwelling has been listed in a county inventory as historic property as defined in ORS 358.480.

Alteration, restoration, or replacement of a lawfully established dwelling.

A wildlife habitat conservation and management plan pursuant to former ORS 215.800 to 215.808.

Commercial uses

Commercial activities in conjunction with farm use, including the processing of farm crops into biofuel not permitted under ORS 215.203(2)(b)(L) or ORS 215.213(1)(u) and 215.283(1)(r).

Home occupations as provided in ORS 215.448.

Dog kennels.

An aerial fireworks display business that has been in continuous operation at its current location within an exclusive farm use zone since December 31, 1986, and possess a wholesaler’s permit to sell or provide fireworks.

Destination resort which is approved consistent with the requirements of Goal 8.

A winery as described in ORS 215.452.

A restaurant in conjunction with a winery as described in ORS 215.452 that is open to the public for more than 25 days in a calendar year or the provision of private events in conjunction with a winery as described in ORS 215.452 that occur on more than 25 days in a calendar year.

Agri-tourism and other commercial events or activities that are related to and supportive of Agriculture, as described in ORS 215.213(11) and 215.283(4).

Farm stands.

A landscape contracting business, as described in ORS 671.520, or a business providing landscape architecture services, as described in ORS 671.318, if the business is pursued in conjunction with the growing and marketing of nursery stock on the land that constitutes farm use.

Mineral,Aggregate, Oil, and Gas Uses

Operations for the exploration for and production of geothermal resources as defined by ORS 522.005 and oil and gas as defined by ORS 520.005, including the placement and operation of compressors, separators and other customary production equipment for an individual well adjacent to the wellhead.

Operations for the exploration for minerals as defined by ORS 517.750.

Operations conducted for mining and processing of geothermal resources as defined by ORS 522.005 and oil and gas as defined by ORS 520.005 not otherwise permitted under this rule.

Operations conducted for mining, crushing or stockpiling of aggregate and other mineral and other subsurface resources subject to ORS 215.298.

Processing as defined by ORS 517.750 of aggregate into asphalt or portland cement.

Processing of other mineral resources and other subsurface resources.

Transportation

Personal-use airports for airplanes and helicopter pads, including associated hangar, maintenance and service facilities.
A      Climbing and passing lanes within the right of way existing as of July 1, 1987.
R5     Construction of additional passing and travel lanes requiring the acquisition of right of way but not resulting in the
creation of new land parcels.
A      Reconstruction or modification of public roads and highways, including the placement of utility facilities overhead
and in the subsurface of public roads and highways along the public right of way, but not including the addition of
travel lanes, where no removal or displacement of buildings would occur, or no new land parcels result.
R5     Reconstruction or modification of public roads and highways involving the removal or displacement of buildings but
not resulting in the creation of new land parcels.
A      Temporary public road and highway detours that will be abandoned and restored to original condition or use at such
time as no longer needed.
A      Minor betterment of existing public road and highway related facilities such as maintenance yards, weigh stations and
rest areas, within right of way existing as of July 1, 1987, and contiguous public-owned property utilized to support
the operation and maintenance of public roads and highways.
R5     Improvement of public road and highway related facilities, such as maintenance yards, weigh stations and rest areas,
where additional property or right of way is required but not resulting in the creation of new land parcels.
R13    Roads, highways and other transportation facilities, and improvements not otherwise allowed under this rule.
R      Transportation improvements on rural lands allowed by OAR 660-012-0065.

Utility/Solid Waste Disposal Facilities

R16    Utility facilities necessary for public service, including wetland waste treatment systems but not including
commercial facilities for the purpose of generating electrical power for public use by sale or transmission
towers over 200 feet in height.
R5     Transmission towers over 200 feet in height.

[A      Fire service facilities providing rural fire protection services.]
A      Irrigation reservoirs, canals, delivery lines and those structures and accessory operational facilities, not including
parks or other recreational structures and facilities, associated with a district as defined in ORS 540.505.
A32    Utility facility service lines.
R5, 17 R5, 22 Commercial utility facilities for the purpose of generating power for public use by sale, not including wind power
generation facilities[project] or photovoltaic solar power generation facilities[facility].
R5, 37 R5, 37 Wind power generation facilities[project] as commercial utility facilities for the purpose of generating power for
public use by sale.
R5, 38 R5, 38 Photovoltaic solar power generation facilities[facility] as commercial utility facilities for the purpose of generating
power for public use by sale.
*R18(a) R5 A site for the disposal of solid waste approved by the governing body of a city or county or both and for which a
permit has been granted under ORS 459.245 by the Department of Environmental Quality together with equipment,
facilities or buildings necessary for its operation.

18(a), A or Composting facilities on farms or for which a permit has been granted by the Department of Environmental
Parks/Public/Quasi-Public
29(a) R5,29(b) Quality under ORS 459.245 and OAR 340-093-0050 and 340-096-0060.

2,*18(a) or R2, 25.5, Public or private schools for kindergarten through grade 12, including all buildings essential to the
operation of a school, primarily for residents of the rural area in which the school is located.
18(b-c) 18(b-c) Churches and cemeteries in conjunction with churches consistent with ORS 215.441.
2.18(a) R2.5.19 Private parks, playgrounds, hunting and fishing preserves, and campgrounds.

R2.5.31 R2.5.31 Public parks and playgrounds. A public park may be established consistent with the provisions of ORS 195.120.

Fire service facilities providing rural fire protection services.

R2.5.36 R2.5.36 Community centers owned by a governmental agency or a nonprofit organization and operated primarily by and for residents of the local rural community.

R2.18(a) 20 Golf courses on land determined not to be high-value farmland as defined in ORS 195.300.

R2.21 R2.21 Living history museum.

R2.25 Armed forces reserve center as provided for in ORS 215.213(1).

Onsite filming and activities accessory to onsite filming for 45 days or less as provided for in ORS 215.306.

Onsite filming and activities accessory to onsite filming for more than 45 days as provided for in ORS 215.306.

A site for the takeoff and landing of model aircraft, including such buildings or facilities as may reasonably be necessary.

Expansion of existing county fairgrounds and activities directly relating to county fairgrounds governed by county fair boards established pursuant to ORS 565.210.

Operations for the extraction and bottling of water.

Land application of reclaimed water, agricultural or industrial process water or biosolids.

A county law enforcement facility that lawfully existed on August 20, 2002, and is used to provide rural law enforcement services primarily in rural areas, including parole and post-prison supervision, but not including a correctional facility as defined under ORS 162.135 as provided for in ORS 215.283(1).

Outdoor Gatherings

An outdoor mass gathering or other gathering described in ORS 197.015(10)(d).

Any outdoor mass gathering subject to review of a county planning commission under ORS 433.763.

(The numbers in the table above refer to the section numbers in OAR 660-033-0130)