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State Land Board to meet December 3 in Salem

Agenda items include updated rules for waterway authorizations, land management in Wheeler County, and expansion of the South Slough Reserve

SALEM, Ore. – The State Land Board will meet on Wednesday, December 3 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of State Lands building in Salem.

Agenda items the Land Board will consider include:

- **Begin due diligence on a potential land sale of 1,863 acres of the “Hoogie Doogie” rangelands in Wheeler County.** Due diligence includes beginning research on the proposed sale and opening a public comment period.
- **Decertify 80 acres of forestland in Coos County, adjacent to the South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve.**
Decertification of the Winchester property from Oregon Department of Forestry management will allow the Reserve to acquire property utilizing federal grant funds and manage the land for long-term research, education, recreation, and protection of natural and cultural resources.
- **Adopt updated rules that implement best management practices to protect the health and safety of Oregon-owned waterways and achieve sustainable operations.**
The rules govern leases, licenses and registrations for structures and uses on state-owned submerged and submersible land, and includes updates to fees, compensation, insurance requirements, and other minor updates.

The Land Board will also hear the annual report of the state’s aquatic resource management program and review recent achievements of the Elliott State Research Forest program.

Meeting Details and Agenda

Wednesday, December 3, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Department of State Lands

Land Board Room

775 Summer St. NE, Salem

The full meeting agenda and materials are available on the [DSL website](#). The meeting will be livestreamed to the [DSL YouTube channel](#).

The public may [submit written testimony or sign up to provide spoken testimony](#) (in person, by video, or phone) during the meeting. **Advanced sign-up is required, and the deadline is 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 2.**

If you need assistance to participate in this meeting due to a disability, please contact Arin Smith at 503-986-5224 or arin.n.smith@dsl.oregon.gov at least two working days prior to the meeting.

Visitors are not permitted to bring backpacks, bags, or large purses into the building prior to, during, or following Land Board meetings. Purses, medical bags, and diaper bags are permitted, but may be subject to inspection by the Oregon State Police.

About the State Land Board and the Department of State Lands: The State Land Board consists of Governor Tina Kotek, Secretary of State Tobias Read, and State Treasurer Elizabeth Steiner. Established by the Oregon Constitution in 1859, the Land Board oversees the state's Common School Fund. The Department of State Lands is the Land Board's administrative agency, managing the lands and resources that help fund Oregon's public schools and protecting the state's waterways and wetlands for the many benefits they provide.

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