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State Land Board to meet June 10 in North Bend

Agenda items include rulemaking for undersea cables, land acquisition in Deschutes County, and appointment of the DSL Director

SALEM, Ore. – The State Land Board will meet on Tuesday, June 10 at 11:00 a.m. at the Shutter Creek Facility in North Bend.

Agenda items the Land Board will consider include:

- Appoint the Oregon Department of State Lands Director.
 In December 2024, Director Vicki L. Walker formally notified the Land Board of her intent to retire June 30, 2025. By statute, the Land Board is responsible for appointing the Department director.
- Begin rulemaking for undersea cables in Oregon's territorial sea.
 Administrative rules in OAR 141-083 govern easements for undersea cables on state-owned submerged and submersible land. Rulemaking is needed to conform with updates to Oregon's Territorial Sea Plan, as well as improve the application process. Rulemaking may also be needed for establishing fees in rule, dependent on the outcome of legislative action in Senate Bill 793 A.
- Acquire an 80-acre parcel of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land in La Pine. The Department is seeking to acquire an 80-acre property from the BLM, at no cost, for in-lieu lands still owed to the State of Oregon. The property is undeveloped forested land zoned for high-density residential in Deschutes County.
- Authorize a permanent easement on an existing freeway overpass in Portland's Rose Quarter.
 - The Oregon Department of Transportation is seeking a permanent easement to maintain the existing freeway overpass crossing the Willamette River in Multnomah County.
- Authorize the sale of and release of 274 acres of subsurface rights currently owned by the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) in Morrow County.
 DAS is seeking to sell a parcel of subsurface mineral and geothermal rights to the

current surface owner Rowan Percheron, LLC.

The Land Board will also hear an update on bills the Department is tracking in the 2025 legislative session, as well as a guest presentation from the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries on geologic carbon sequestration.

Meeting Details and Agenda

Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. Shutter Creek Facility Administration Building – Conference Room 95200 Shutters Landing Ln, North Bend, OR 97459

The full meeting agenda and materials are available on the <u>DSL website</u>. The meeting will be livestreamed to the <u>DSL YouTube channel</u>.

The public may <u>submit written testimony or sign up to provide spoken testimony</u> (in person, by video, or phone) during the meeting. **Advanced sign-up is required, and the deadline is 10 a.m. on Monday, June 9.**

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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