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### Notice of Decision to Exchange Surface and Subsurface Mineral Land

Dear Interested Party,

Elizabeth Steiner

State Treasurer

The Oregon Department of State Lands (DSL) will exchange a parcel of surface and subsurface state-owned land owned by the Lee Family for a parcel of South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve (Reserve)-managed surface and subsurface land in Coos County. *The Reserve is a protected estuary and natural area located on state-owned land in the Coos estuary on Oregon's southern coast. It is managed in partnership by DSL and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

This exchange is related to entrance and parking improvements planned at the Reserve visitor center. Construction is underway and the new entrance road is anticipated to be completed by July 2026. DSL will proceed with a series of county approvals for lot line adjustments and will open escrow to close the exchange before the end of the year.

#### About the Land(s)

- The Lee Family parcel's legal location is listed as: Township 26S, Range 14W, Section 26, Tax Lot 700.
- The Lee family will receive 0.206-acres along Seven Devils Road, including the current paved entrance to the Visitor Center.
- The Reserve parcels' legal locations are listed as: Township 26S, Range 14W, Section 27, Tax Lot 100, and in Township 26S, Range 14W, Section 26, Tax Lot 600.
- The Reserve will receive 0.200-acres of wooded land from the northern portion of the Lee property.

#### Additional Background

The State Land Board approved the exchange of parcels on April 14, 2026, following a due diligence process in which DSL collected information about the land and comments from the public to help inform a decision. The public comment period for this sale is now closed. Updated information can be found at: <https://www.oregon.gov/dsl/Land/Pages/Sales.aspx>

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