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## Notice of Title Cleared on State-Owned Formerly Submerged and Submersible Lands

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Secretary of State

Dear Interested Party,

Elizabeth Steiner  
State Treasurer

The Oregon Department of State Lands (DSL) is reaching out to inform you that parties have exchanged deeds to clarify ownership and remove cloud on title related to formerly submerged and submersible lands in Columbia County located at **Township 07 North, Range 04 West, Section 08.**

### About Land Transaction # 64870-LE

- Approximately 6 acres abutting tax lot 200 from the Ordinary High Water Line to the center of the current channel of the Clatskanie River.
- This quitclaim deed exchange constituted a land transfer between DSL and Stimson Lumber. The transaction was approved by DSL at no cost (\$0) and was intended to clarify ownership of lands associated with the current and former channels of the Clatskanie River. This transaction established the State's ownership of land located below the Ordinary High Water Line of the river's current channel. At the same time, the transaction removed the cloud on title for Stimson Lumber regarding the formerly submerged and submersible lands.

### About Land Transaction # 64904-LE

- Approximately 1 acre abutting tax lots 201 and 3100 from the Ordinary High Water Line to the center of the current channel of the Clatskanie River.
- This quitclaim deed exchange constituted a land transfer between DSL and the City of Clatskanie. The transaction was approved by DSL at no cost (\$0) for these formerly submerged and submersible lands, thereby clarifying ownership for the State and the City of Clatskanie.

### About Submerged and Submersible Lands

DSL has statutory jurisdiction over submerged and submersible lands of all navigable streams and lakes of the State of Oregon. DSL may use and dispose of these lands as provided by law. Pursuant to ORS 274.915 and in accordance with OAR 141-067, the DSL Director may issue a quitclaim deed to resolve a cloud of title over formerly submerged and submersible land. Such land may be, but is not limited to, areas that once were submerged or submersible land but are no longer connected to or a part of a state-owned (navigable) body of water. The State Land Board, by and through DSL, is responsible for the management and disposition of these state-owned lands.