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To: Registrants and Other Interested Parties

From: Christine Valentine, Board Administrator

Subject: **Board Proposes Amendments to Exam-Related Rules  
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Hearing**

**Summary:** At a public meeting held 11/12/2020, the Oregon State Landscape Architect Board (Board) voted to authorize issuance of rulemaking notice for proposed amendments to the following rules:

804-010-0000	Examination Qualifications
804-010-0010	Equivalent Education and Experience
804-010-0020	Experience in Lieu of Education
804-020-0001	Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE)
804-020-0003	Application for Board Approval
804-020-0005	Reapply for Examination
804-020-0010	Date of Application and Prior Approval Request Receipt
804-020-0015	Refunds
804-020-0030	Date of Examinations
804-020-0045	Notice of Score

**Need for Amendments:** The Board determined that it is appropriate to streamline the examination process for those candidates that have completed an accredited degree in landscape architecture. The rule amendments proposed, if adopted, would remove the requirement for these candidates to obtain pre-approval from the Board to sit for the examination required for landscape architect registration. Candidates without an accredited degree in landscape architecture would still need pre-approval from the Board to sit for examination to allow the Board to ensure these candidates have a combination of education and experience that is deemed equivalent under Board rules to having an accredited degree in landscape architecture. The proposed amendments would only impact future candidates for the required examination. The Board is also proposing some housekeeping amendments to these rules at the same time.

**How to Comment:** The Board requests public comments on these proposed rule amendments, including whether other options should be considered for achieving compliance with statutory mandates while reducing potential for negative economic impact on businesses. Public comment can be submitted verbally or in writing at a **hearing set for 10 – 10:30 AM on 01/11/2021**. Written comments can instead be submitted outside of the hearing up through **close of business (5 PM) on 01/11/2021**. Comments can be sent in hard copy, by e-mail, or by fax. The Board contact information is found at the top of this notice. All public comments received will be considered by the Board at a meeting held after the comment deadline.

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**Additional Information:** The following documents contain details about the rulemaking addressed in this notice. All documents are available by contacting the Board office or online as noted below.

Rulemaking and hearing notice filing for the proposed permanent rules, which includes the rule text showing amendments as well a statement of need and a fiscal impact statement at:

<https://www.oregon.gov/landarch/Pages/default.aspx>.

Notice in the Oregon Bulletin, December 2020 edition issued on 12/01/2020. The Oregon Bulletin can be accessed at: <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/displayBulletins.action>