



NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & FISCAL IMPACT

CHAPTER 660

LAND CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S):

OAR 660-006-0025, OAR 660-006-0026 and OAR 660-033-0120 are being amended to correct errors introduced in a previous rulemaking. OAR 660 033 0130(38)(g)(B) is being amended to remove a subsection which had a repeal date of January 1, 2022 at adoption. The subsection is being removed to prevent confusion. OAR 660-033-0130(8), (12) and (16), OAR 660-033-0120 and OAR 660-006-0025(3)(o) are amended to conform to changes in statute resulting from the 2025 legislative session. OAR 660-033-0140 is being amended to reflect changes in statute resulting from sunset provisions in Oregon Laws 2013 c.462 §§6,9; 2019 c.432 §§3,3a,4,4a.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE:

Oregon Laws 2013, 2019 and 2025. Previous versions of OAR 660-033-0120.

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE:

These conforming and technical corrections are being implemented to bring administrative rule into alignment with statute. This will reduce potential for confusion or misinterpretation for local governments and the general public. No new regulations are being introduced.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

These conforming and technical corrections are being implemented to bring administrative rule into alignment with statute. No new regulations are being introduced. The proposed changes will reduce potential for confusion or misinterpretation for local governments and the general public. This is anticipated to reduce any associated financial or economic impact related to confusion that might arise from conflicting statutory and rule provisions such as misapplication of the law and unnecessary land use appeals.

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

These conforming and technical corrections are being implemented to bring administrative rule into alignment with statute. No new regulations are being introduced. The proposed rulemaking should have a positive impact on county governments by reducing confusion that might arise from conflicting statutory and rule provisions.

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

Small businesses were not involved in the development of these rules. These rules consist of technical corrections and conforming rulemaking.

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? NO IF NOT, WHY NOT?

These rules consist of technical corrections and conforming rulemaking. No new regulations are being introduced.

HOUSING IMPACT STATEMENT:

Description of proposed change: Conforming rules to changes in law resulting from the 2025 legislative session and technical corrections.

Description of the need for, and objectives of the rule: OAR 660-006-0026 and OAR 660-033-0120 are being amended to correct errors introduced in a previous rulemaking. OAR 660 033 0130(38)(g)(B) is being amended to remove a subsection which had a repeal date of January 1, 2022 at adoption. The subsection is being removed to prevent confusion. OAR 660-033-0130(8), (12) and (16), OAR 660-033-0120 and OAR 660-006-0025(o) are amended to conform to changes in statute resulting from the 2025 legislative session. OAR 660-033-0140 is being amended to reflect changes in statute resulting from sunset provisions in Oregon Laws 2013 c.462 §§6,9; 2019 c.432 §§3,3a,4,4a.

List of rules adopted or amended: OAR 660-006-0025, OAR 660-006-0026, OAR 660-033-0120, OAR 660-033-0130, OAR 660-033-0140

Materials and labor costs increase or savings: None.

Estimated administrative construction or other costs increase or savings: None.

Land costs increase or savings: None.

Other costs increase or savings: None.

RULES PROPOSED:

660-006-0025, 660-006-0026, 660-033-0120, 660-033-0130, 660-033-0140

AMEND: 660-006-0025

RULE SUMMARY: OAR 660-006-0025 is being amended to correct errors introduced in a previous rulemaking and to conform to changes in statute resulting from the 2025 legislative session.

CHANGES TO RULE:

660-006-0025

Uses Authorized in Forest Zones

(1) Goal 4 requires that forest land be conserved. Forest lands are conserved by adopting and applying comprehensive plan provisions and zoning regulations consistent with the goals and this rule. In addition to forest practices and operations and uses auxiliary to forest practices, as set forth in ORS 527.722, the Commission has determined that five general types of uses, as set forth in the goal, may be allowed in the forest environment, subject to the standards in the goal and in this rule. These general types of uses are:¶¶

(a) Uses related to and in support of forest operations;¶¶

(b) Uses to conserve soil, air and water quality and to provide for fish and wildlife resources, agriculture and recreational opportunities appropriate in a forest environment;¶¶

(c) Locationally-dependent uses, such as communication towers, mineral and aggregate resources, etc;¶¶

(d) Dwellings authorized by ORS 215.705 to 215.757; and¶¶

(e) Other dwellings under prescribed conditions.¶¶

(2) The following uses pursuant to the Forest Practices Act (ORS chapter 527) and Goal 4 shall be allowed in forest zones:¶¶

(a) Forest operations or forest practices including, but not limited to, reforestation of forest land, road construction and maintenance, harvesting of a forest tree species, application of chemicals, and disposal of slash;¶¶

(b) Temporary on-site structures that are auxiliary to and used during the term of a particular forest operation;¶¶

(c) Physical alterations to the land auxiliary to forest practices including, but not limited to, those made for purposes of exploration, mining, commercial gravel extraction and processing, landfills, dams, reservoirs, road construction or recreational facilities; and¶¶

(d) For the purposes of section (2) of this rule "auxiliary" means a use or alteration of a structure or land that provides help or is directly associated with the conduct of a particular forest practice. An auxiliary structure is located on site, temporary in nature, and is not designed to remain for the forest's entire growth cycle from planting to harvesting. An auxiliary use is removed when a particular forest practice has concluded.¶

(3) The following uses may be allowed outright on forest lands:¶

- (a) Uses to conserve soil, air and water quality and to provide for wildlife and fisheries resources;¶
- (b) Farm use as defined in ORS 215.203;¶
- (c) Local distribution lines (e.g., electric, telephone, natural gas) and accessory equipment (e.g., electric distribution transformers, poles, meter cabinets, terminal boxes, pedestals), or equipment that provides service hookups, including water service hookups;¶
- (d) Temporary portable facility for the primary processing of forest products;¶
- (e) Exploration for mineral and aggregate resources as defined in ORS chapter 517;¶
- (f) Private hunting and fishing operations without any lodging accommodations;¶
- (g) Towers and fire stations for forest fire protection;¶
- (h) Widening of roads within existing rights-of-way in conformance with the transportation element of acknowledged comprehensive plans and public road and highway projects as described in ORS 215.213(1) and 215.283(1);¶
- (i) Water intake facilities, canals and distribution lines for farm irrigation and ponds;¶
- (j) Caretaker residences for public parks and public fish hatcheries;¶
- (k) Uninhabitable structures accessory to fish and wildlife enhancement;¶
- (l) Temporary forest labor camps;¶
- (m) Exploration for and production of geothermal, gas, oil, and other associated hydrocarbons, including the placement and operation of compressors, separators and other customary production equipment for an individual well adjacent to the well head;¶
- (n) Destination resorts reviewed and approved pursuant to ORS 197.435 to 197.467 and Goal 8;¶
- (o)(A) A lawfully established dwelling may be altered, restored or replaced if, when an application for a permit is submitted, the county finds to its satisfaction, based on substantial evidence that the dwelling to be altered, restored or replaced has, or formerly had:¶
 - (i) Intact exterior walls and roof structures;¶
 - (ii) Indoor plumbing consisting of a kitchen sink, toilet and bathing facilities connected to a sanitary waste disposal system;¶
 - (iii) Interior wiring for interior lights; and¶
 - (iv) A heating system.¶
- (B) An application under this subsection must be filed within three years following the date that the dwelling last possessed all the features listed under paragraph (o)(A).¶
- (C) Construction of a replacement dwelling approved under this subsection must commence no later than four years after the approval of the application under this section becomes final.¶
- (D) In addition to the provisions of paragraph (o)(A), the dwelling to be replaced meets one of the following conditions:¶
 - (i) If the value of the dwelling to be replaced was eliminated as a result of destruction or demolition, the dwelling was assessed as a dwelling for purposes of ad valorem taxation prior to the destruction or demolition and since the later of:¶
 - (I) Five years before the date of the destruction or demolition; or¶
 - (II) The date that the dwelling was erected upon or fixed to the land and became subject to property tax assessment; or¶
 - (ii) The value of dwelling to be replaced has not been eliminated due to destruction or demolition, and the dwelling was assessed as a dwelling for purposes of ad valorem taxation since the later of:¶
 - (I) Five years before the date of the application; or¶
 - (II) The date that the dwelling was erected upon or fixed to the land and became subject to property tax assessment.¶
- (E) For replacement of a lawfully established dwelling under this subsection:¶
 - (i) The dwelling to be replaced must be removed, demolished or converted to an allowable nonresidential use within three months after the date the replacement dwelling is certified for occupancy pursuant to ORS 455.055.¶
 - (ii) The applicant must cause to be recorded in the deed records of the county a statement that the dwelling to be replaced has been removed, demolished or converted.¶
 - (iii) As a condition of approval, if the dwelling to be replaced is located on a portion of the lot or parcel that is not zoned for exclusive farm use, the applicant shall execute and cause to be recorded in the deed records of the county in which the property is located a deed restriction prohibiting the siting of another dwelling on that portion of the lot or parcel. The restriction imposed is irrevocable unless the county planning director, or the director's

designee, places a statement of release in the deed records of the county to the effect that the provisions of ORS 215.291 and either ORS 215.213 or 215.283 regarding replacement dwellings have changed to allow the lawful siting of another dwelling.¶

(iv) The county planning director, or the director's designee, shall maintain a record of:¶

(I) The lots and parcels for which dwellings to be replaced have been removed, demolished or converted; and¶

(II) The lots and parcels that do not qualify for the siting of a new dwelling under paragraphs (E) and (F), including a copy of the deed restrictions filed under subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph.¶

(F)(i) A replacement dwelling under this subsection must comply with applicable building codes, plumbing codes, sanitation codes and other requirements relating to health and safety or to siting at the time of construction.¶

(ii) The replacement dwelling may be sited on any part of the same lot or parcel.¶

(iii) The replacement dwelling must comply with applicable siting standards. However, the standards may not be applied in a manner that prohibits the siting of the replacement dwelling.¶

~~(iv) The replacement dwelling must comply with the construction provisions of section R327 of the Oregon Residential Specialty Code, if:¶~~

~~(I) The dwelling is in an area identified as extreme or high wildfire risk on the statewide map of wildfire risk described in ORS 477.490; or¶~~

~~(II) No statewide map of wildfire risk has been adopted.¶~~

(G) If an applicant is granted a deferred replacement permit under this subsection, the deferred replacement permit:¶

(i) Does not expire but the permit becomes void unless the dwelling to be replaced is removed or demolished within three months after the deferred replacement permit is issued; and¶

(ii) May not be transferred, by sale or otherwise, except by the applicant to the spouse or a child of the applicant.¶

(p) A lawfully established dwelling that is destroyed by wildfire may be replaced within ~~12~~60 months when the county finds, based on substantial evidence, that the dwelling to be replaced contained those items listed at subsection (o)(A) through (E). For purposes of this subsection, substantial evidence includes, but is not limited to, county assessor data. The property owner of record at the time of the wildfire may reside on the subject property in an existing building, tent, travel trailer, yurt, recreational vehicle, or similar accommodation until replacement has been completed or the time ~~of~~ replacement has expired.¶

(q) An outdoor mass gathering as defined in ORS 433.735, subject to the provisions of ORS 433.735 to 433.770;¶

(r) Dump truck parking as provided in ORS 215.311;¶

(s) An agricultural building, as defined in ORS 455.315, customarily provided in conjunction with farm use or forest use. A person may not convert an agricultural building authorized by this section to another use; and¶

(t) Temporary storage site for nonhazardous debris resulting from recovery efforts associated with damage caused by a wildfire identified in an Executive Order issued by the Governor in accordance with the Emergency Conflagration Act, ORS 476.510 through 476.610 subject to Department of Environmental Quality requirements and all other applicable provisions of law.¶

(4) The following uses may be allowed on forest lands subject to the review standards in section (5) of this rule:¶

(a) Permanent facility for the primary processing of forest products that is:¶

(A) Located in a building or buildings that do not exceed 10,000 square feet in total floor area, or an outdoor area that does not exceed one acre excluding laydown and storage yards, or a proportionate combination of indoor and outdoor areas; and¶

(B) Adequately separated from surrounding properties to reasonably mitigate noise, odor and other impacts generated by the facility that adversely affect forest management and other existing uses, as determined by the governing body;¶

(b) Permanent logging equipment repair and storage;¶

(c) Log scaling and weigh stations;¶

(d) Disposal site for solid waste approved by the governing body of a city or county or both and for which the Department of Environmental Quality has granted a permit under ORS 459.245, together with equipment, facilities or buildings necessary for its operation;¶

(e) Private parks and campgrounds. A campground is an area devoted to overnight temporary use for vacation, recreational or emergency purposes, but not for residential purposes. Campgrounds authorized by this rule shall not include intensively developed recreational uses such as swimming pools, tennis courts, retail stores or gas stations.¶

(A) Vacation or recreational purposes. Except on a lot or parcel contiguous to a lake or reservoir, private campgrounds devoted to vacation or recreational purposes shall not be allowed within three miles of an urban growth boundary unless an exception is approved pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4. Campgrounds approved under this subsection must be found to be established on a site or is contiguous to lands with a park or other outdoor natural amenity that is accessible for recreational use by the occupants of the campground and designed and integrated into the rural agricultural and forest environment in a manner that

protects the natural amenities of the site and provides buffers of existing native trees and vegetation or other natural features between campsites. Overnight temporary use in the same campground by a camper or camper's vehicle shall not exceed a total of 30 days during any consecutive six-month period.¶¶

(i) Campsites may be occupied by a tent, travel trailer, yurt or recreational vehicle. Separate sewer, water or electric service hook-ups shall not be provided to individual camp sites except that electrical service may be provided to yurts allowed for by paragraph (4)(e)(C) of this rule.¶¶

(ii) Overnight temporary use in the same campground by a camper or camper's vehicle shall not exceed a total of 30 days during any consecutive six-month period.¶¶

(B) Emergency purposes. Emergency campgrounds may be authorized when a wildfire identified in an Executive Order issued by the Governor in accordance with the Emergency Conflagration Act, ORS 476.510 through 476.610, has destroyed homes or caused residential evacuations, or both within the county or an adjacent county. Commercial activities shall be limited to mobile commissary services scaled to meet the needs of campground occupants. Campgrounds approved under this section must be removed or converted to an allowed use within 36 months from the date of the Governor's Executive Order. The county may grant two additional 12-month extensions upon demonstration by the applicant that the campground continues to be necessary to support the natural hazard event recovery efforts because permanent housing units replacing those lost to the natural hazard event are not available in sufficient quantities. A county must process applications filed pursuant to this section in the manner identified at ORS 215.416(11).¶¶

(i) Campsites may be occupied by a tent, travel trailer, yurt or recreational vehicle. Separate sewer hook-ups shall not be provided to individual camp sites.¶¶

(ii) Campgrounds shall be located outside of flood, geological, or wildfire hazard areas identified in adopted comprehensive plans and land use regulations to the extent possible.¶¶

(iii) A plan for removing or converting the temporary campground to an allowed use at the end of the time-frame specified in paragraph (4)(e)(B) shall be included in the application materials and, upon meeting the county's satisfaction, be attached to the decision as a condition of approval. A county may require that a removal plan developed pursuant to this subparagraph include a specific financial agreement in the form of a performance bond, letter of credit or other assurance acceptable to the county that is furnished by the applicant in an amount necessary to ensure that there are adequate funds available for removal or conversion activities to be completed.¶¶

(C) Subject to the approval of the county governing body or its designee, a private campground may provide yurts for overnight camping. No more than one-third or a maximum of 10 campsites, whichever is smaller, may include a yurt. The yurt shall be located on the ground or on a wood floor with no permanent foundation. Upon request of a county governing body, the Commission may provide by rule for an increase in the number of yurts allowed on all or a portion of the campgrounds in a county if the Commission determines that the increase will comply with the standards described in ORS 215.296(1). As used in this rule, "yurt" means a round, domed shelter of cloth or canvas on a collapsible frame with no plumbing, sewage disposal hook-up or internal cooking appliance.¶¶

(D) For applications submitted under paragraph (B) of this rule, the county may find the criteria of section (5) to be satisfied when:¶¶

(i) The Governor has issued an Executive Order declaring an emergency for all or parts of Oregon pursuant to ORS 401.165, et seq.¶¶

(ii) The number of proposed campsites does not exceed 12; or¶¶

(iii) The number of proposed campsites does not exceed 36; and¶¶

(iv) Campsites and other campground facilities are located at least 660 feet from adjacent lands planned and zoned for resource use under Goals 3, 4, or both.¶¶

(f) Public parks including only those uses specified under OAR 660-034-0035 or 660-034-0040, whichever is applicable;¶¶

(g) Mining and processing of oil, gas, or other subsurface resources, as defined in ORS chapter 520, and not otherwise permitted under subsection (3)(m) of this rule (e.g., compressors, separators and storage serving multiple wells), and mining and processing of aggregate and mineral resources as defined in ORS chapter 517;¶¶

(h) Television, microwave and radio communication facilities and transmission towers;¶¶

(i) Fire stations for rural fire protection;¶¶

(j) Commercial utility facilities for the purpose of generating power, not including photovoltaic solar power generation facilities in eastern Oregon. A power generation facility considered under this subsection shall not preclude more than 10 acres from use as a commercial forest operation unless an exception is taken pursuant to OAR chapter 660, division 4;¶¶

(k) Commercial utility facilities for the purpose of generating power as a photovoltaic solar power generation facility in eastern Oregon, under the following standards:-¶¶

(A) A power generation facility considered under this subsection shall not preclude more than 240 acres from use as a commercial forest operation unless an exception is taken pursuant to OAR chapter 660, division 4.¶¶

(B) An application for a facility under this subsection shall comply with the requirements of ORS 215.446(3).¶¶

- (l) Aids to navigation and aviation;¶
- (m) Water intake facilities, related treatment facilities, pumping stations, and distribution lines;¶
- (n) Reservoirs and water impoundments;¶
- (o) Firearms training facility as provided in ORS 197.770;¶
- (p) Cemeteries;¶
- (q) Private seasonal accommodations for fee hunting operations may be allowed subject to section (5) of this rule, OAR 660-006-0029, and 660-006-0035 and the following requirements:¶
 - (A) Accommodations are limited to no more than 15 guest rooms as that term is defined in the Oregon Structural Specialty Code;¶
 - (B) Only minor incidental and accessory retail sales are permitted;¶
 - (C) Accommodations are occupied temporarily for the purpose of hunting during either or both game bird or big game hunting seasons authorized by the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission; and¶
 - (D) A governing body may impose other appropriate conditions.¶
- (r) New electric transmission lines with right of way widths of up to 100 feet as specified in ORS 772.210. New distribution lines (e.g., gas, oil, geothermal, telephone, fiber optic cable) with rights-of-way 50 feet or less in width;¶
- (s) Temporary asphalt and concrete batch plants as accessory uses to specific highway projects;¶
- (t) Home occupations as defined in ORS 215.448;¶
- (u) Temporary hardship residence in conjunction with an existing dwelling. As used in this section, "hardship" means a medical hardship or hardship for the care of an aged or infirm person or persons experienced by the existing resident or relative as defined in ORS chapter 215. "Hardship" also includes situations where a natural hazard event has destroyed homes, caused residential evacuations, or both, and resulted in an Executive Order issued by the Governor declaring an emergency for all or parts of Oregon pursuant to ORS 401.165, et seq. A temporary residence approved under this section is not eligible for replacement under ORS 215.213(1)(q) or 215.283(1)(p).¶
 - (A) For a medical hardship or hardship for the care of an aged or infirm person or persons experienced by the existing resident or relative as defined in ORS chapter 215 the temporary residence may include a manufactured dwelling, or recreational vehicle, or the temporary residential use of an existing building. A manufactured dwelling shall use the same subsurface sewage disposal system used by the existing dwelling, if that disposal system is adequate to accommodate the additional dwelling. If the manufactured home will use a public sanitary sewer system, such condition will not be required. Governing bodies shall review the permit authorizing such manufactured homes every two years. Within three months of the end of the hardship, the manufactured dwelling or recreational vehicle shall be removed or demolished or, in the case of an existing building, the building shall be removed, demolished or returned to an allowed nonresidential use. Department of Environmental Quality review and removal requirements also apply.¶
 - (B) For hardships based on a natural hazard event described in this subsection, the temporary residence may include a recreational vehicle or the temporary residential use of an existing building. Governing bodies shall review the permit authorizing such temporary residences every two years. Within three months of the temporary residence no longer being necessary, the recreational vehicle shall be removed or demolished or, in the case of an existing building, the building shall be removed, demolished or returned to an allowed nonresidential use. Department of Environmental Quality review and removal requirements also apply.¶
 - (C) For applications submitted under paragraph (B), the county may find that the criteria of section (5) are satisfied when:¶
 - (i) The temporary residence is established within an existing building or, if a recreational vehicle, is located within 100 feet of the primary residence; or¶
 - (ii) The temporary residence is located further than 250 feet from adjacent lands planned and zoned for resource use under Goals 3, 4, or both.¶
- (v) Expansion of existing airports;¶
- (w) Public road and highway projects as described in ORS 215.213(2)(p) through (r) and (10) and 215.283(2)(q) through (s) and (3);¶
- (x) Private accommodations for fishing occupied on a temporary basis may be allowed subject to section (5) of this rule, OAR 660-006-0029 and 660-006-0035 and the following requirements:¶
 - (A) Accommodations limited to no more than 15 guest rooms as that term is defined in the Oregon Structural Specialty Code;¶
 - (B) Only minor incidental and accessory retail sales are permitted;¶
 - (C) Accommodations occupied temporarily for the purpose of fishing during fishing seasons authorized by the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission;¶
 - (D) Accommodations must be located within 1/4 mile of fish-bearing Class I waters; and¶
 - (E) A governing body may impose other appropriate conditions.¶
- (y) Forest management research and experimentation facilities as defined by ORS 526.215 or where accessory to

forest operations; and¶¶

(z) An outdoor mass gathering:¶¶

(A) Of more than 3,000 persons, any part of which is held outdoors and which continues or can reasonably be expected to continue for a period exceeding that allowable for an outdoor mass gathering as defined in ORS 433.735. In addition to the review standards in section (5) of this rule, the county must make findings required by ORS 433.763(l)(c).¶¶

(B) As defined by ORS 433.735, for which a county decides that a land use permit is required. In addition to findings required by ORS 433.763(1), a county may, when determining review standards, include all, some, or none of the review standards in section (5) of this rule.¶¶

(aa) Storage structures for emergency supplies to serve communities and households that are located in tsunami inundation zones, if:¶¶

(A) Areas within an urban growth boundary cannot reasonably accommodate the structures;¶¶

(B) The structures are located outside tsunami inundation zones and consistent with evacuation maps prepared by Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) or the local jurisdiction;¶¶

(C) Sites where the structures could be co-located with an existing use approved under this section are given preference for consideration;¶¶

(D) The structures are of a number and size no greater than necessary to accommodate the anticipated emergency needs of the population to be served;¶¶

(E) The structures are managed by a local government entity for the single purpose of providing for the temporary emergency support needs of the public; and¶¶

(F) Written notification has been provided to the County Office of Emergency Management of the application for the storage structures.¶¶

(5) A use authorized by section (4) of this rule may be allowed provided the following requirements or their equivalent are met. These requirements are designed to make the use compatible with forest operations and agriculture and to conserve values found on forest lands:¶¶

(a) The proposed use will not force a significant change in, or significantly increase the cost of, accepted farming or forest practices on agriculture or forest lands;¶¶

(b) The proposed use will not significantly increase fire hazard or significantly increase fire suppression costs or significantly increase risks to fire suppression personnel; and¶¶

(c) A written statement recorded with the deed or written contract with the county or its equivalent is obtained from the land owner that recognizes the rights of adjacent and nearby land owners to conduct forest operations consistent with the Forest Practices Act and Rules for uses authorized in subsections (4)(e), ~~(m)~~, ~~(s)~~, ~~(t)~~ and ~~(w)~~ of this rule.¶¶

(6) Nothing in this rule relieves governing bodies from complying with other requirement contained in the comprehensive plan or implementing ordinances such as the requirements addressing other resource values (e.g., Goal 5) that exist on forest lands.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 197.040, ORS 197.230, ORS 197.245

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 215.700, ORS 215.705, ORS 215.720, ORS 215.740, ORS 215.750, ORS 215.780, Oregon Laws 1993, ch. 792, ORS 197.770, ORS 215.291, ORS 215.311, ORS 215.448

RULE SUMMARY: OAR 660-006-0026 is being amended to correct errors introduced in a previous rulemaking.

CHANGES TO RULE:

660-006-0026

New Land Division Requirements in Forest Zones ¶

(1) Governing bodies shall legislatively amend their land division standards to incorporate one or more of the following parcel sizes. Under these provisions, a governing body may not determine minimum parcel sizes for forest land on a case-by-case basis:¶

(a) An 80-acre or larger minimum parcel size; or¶

(b) One or more numeric minimum parcel sizes less than 80 acres provided that each parcel size is large enough to ensure:¶

(A) The opportunity for economically efficient forest operations typically occurring in the area;¶

(B) The opportunity for the continuous growing and harvesting of forest tree species;¶

(C) The conservation of other values found on forest lands as described in Goal 4; and¶

(D) That parcel meets the requirements of ORS 527.630.¶

(2) New land divisions less than the parcel size in section (1) of this rule may be approved for any of the following circumstances:¶

(a) For the uses listed in OAR 660-006-0025(3)(m) and (n) and (4)(a) through (e) provided that such uses have been approved pursuant to OAR 660-060-0025(5) and the parcel created from the division is the minimum size necessary for the use.¶

(b) For the establishment of a parcel for a dwelling that has existed since before June 1, 1995, subject to the following requirements:¶

(A) The parcel established may not be larger than five acres, except as necessary to recognize physical factors such as roads or streams, in which case the parcel shall not be larger than 10 acres; and¶

(B) The parcel that does not contain the dwelling is not entitled to a dwelling unless subsequently authorized by law or goal and the parcel either:¶

(i) Meets the minimum land division standards of the zone; or¶

(ii) Is consolidated with another parcel, and together the parcels meet the minimum land division standards of the zone.¶

(c) To allow a division of forest land to facilitate a forest practice as defined in ORS 527.620 that results in a parcel that does not meet the minimum area requirements of subsection (1)(a) or (b). Approvals shall be based on findings that demonstrate that there are unique property specific characteristics present in the proposed parcel that require an amount of land smaller than the minimum area requirements of subsections (1)(a) or (b) of this rule in order to conduct the forest practice. Parcels created pursuant to this subsection:¶

(A) Are not eligible for siting of new dwelling;¶

(B) May not serve as the justification for the siting of a future dwelling on other lots or parcels;¶

(C) May not, as a result of the land division, be used to justify redesignation or rezoning of resource lands; and¶

(D) May not result in a parcel of less than 35 acres, unless the purpose of the land division is to:¶

(i) Facilitate an exchange of lands involving a governmental agency; or¶

(ii) Allow transactions in which at least one participant is a person with a cumulative ownership of at least 2,000 acres of forest land.¶

(d) To allow a division of a lot or parcel zoned for forest use if:¶

(A) At least two dwellings lawfully existed on the lot or parcel prior to November 4, 1993;¶

(B) Each dwelling complies with the criteria for a replacement dwelling under ORS 215.213(1) or 215.283(1);¶

(C) Except for one lot or parcel, each lot or parcel created under this paragraph is between two and five acres in size;¶

(D) At least one dwelling is located on each lot or parcel created under this paragraph; and¶

(E) The landowner of a lot or parcel created under this paragraph provides evidence that a restriction prohibiting the landowner and the landowner's successors in interest from further dividing the lot or parcel has been recorded with the county clerk of the county in which the lot or parcel is located. A restriction imposed under this paragraph shall be irrevocable unless a statement of release is signed by the county planning director of the county in which the lot or parcel is located indicating that the comprehensive plan or land use regulations applicable to the lot or parcel have been changed so that the lot or parcel is no longer subject to statewide planning goals protecting forestland or unless the land division is subsequently authorized by law or by a change in a statewide planning goal for land zoned for forest use.¶

(e) To allow a proposed division of land as provided in ORS 215.783.¶

(3) A county planning director shall maintain a record of lots and parcels that do not qualify for division under the restrictions imposed by OAR 660-006-0026(2)(d) and (4). The record shall be available to the public.¶

(4) A lot or parcel may not be divided under OAR 660-006-0026(2)(d) if an existing dwelling on the lot or parcel was approved under:¶

(a) A statute, an administrative rule or a land use regulation as defined in ORS 197.015 that required removal of the dwelling or that prohibited subsequent division of the lot or parcel; or¶

(b) A farm use zone provision that allowed both farm and forest uses in a mixed farm and forest use zone under statewide goal 4 (Forest Lands).¶

(5)(a) An applicant for the creation of a parcel pursuant to subsection (2)(b) of this rule shall provide evidence that a restriction on the remaining parcel, not containing the dwelling, has been recorded with the county clerk of the county where the property is located. The restriction shall allow no dwellings unless authorized by law or goal on land zoned for forest use except as permitted under section (2) of this rule.¶

(b) A restriction imposed under this section shall be irrevocable unless a statement of release is signed by the county planning director of the county where the property is located indicating that the comprehensive plan or land use regulations applicable to the property have been changed in such a manner that the parcel is no longer subject to statewide planning goals pertaining to agricultural land or forest land.¶

(c) The county planning director shall maintain a record of parcels that do not qualify for the siting of a new dwelling under restrictions imposed by this rule. The record shall be readily available to the public.¶

(6) A landowner allowed a land division under section (2) of this rule shall sign a statement that shall be recorded with the county clerk of the county in which the property is located, declaring that the landowner will not in the future complain about accepted farming or forest practices on nearby lands devoted to farm or forest use.¶

(7) The county governing body or its designate may not approve a property line adjustment of a lot or parcel in a manner that separates a temporary hardship dwelling or home occupation from the parcel on which the primary residential use exists.¶

(8) A division of a lawfully established unit of land may occur along an urban growth boundary where the parcel remaining outside the urban growth boundary is zoned for forest use or mixed farm and forest use and is smaller than the minimum parcel size, provided that:¶

(a) If the parcel contains a dwelling, it must be large enough to support continued residential use.¶

(b) If the parcel does not contain a dwelling:¶

(A) It is not eligible for siting a dwelling, except as may be authorized under ORS 195.120;¶

(B) It may not be considered in approving or denying an application for any other dwelling;¶

(C) It may not be considered in approving a redesignation or rezoning of forest lands, except to allow a public park, open space or other natural resource use; and¶

(D) The owner of the parcel shall record with the county clerk an irrevocable deed restriction prohibiting the owner and all successors in interest from pursuing a cause of action or claim of relief alleging injury from farming or forest practices for which a claim or action is not allowed under ORS 30.936 or 30.937.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 197.040, 197.230, 197.245

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 197.040, 197.230, 197.245, 215.700, 215.705, 215.720, 215.740, 215.750, 215.780, 215.783 & Ch. 792, 1993 OL

AMEND: 660-033-0120

RULE SUMMARY: OAR 660-033-0120 is being amended to correct errors introduced in a previous rulemaking and to conform to changes in statute resulting from the 2025 legislative session.

CHANGES TO RULE:

660-033-0120

Uses Authorized on Agricultural Lands ¶¶

The specific development and uses listed in the following table are allowed in the areas that qualify for the designation pursuant to this division. All uses are subject to the general provisions, special conditions, additional restrictions and exceptions set forth in this division. The abbreviations used within the table shall have the following meanings: ¶¶

(1) "A" Use is allowed. Authorization of some uses may require notice and the opportunity for a hearing because the authorization qualifies as a land use decision pursuant to ORS chapter 197. Minimum standards for uses in the table that include a numerical reference are specified in OAR 660-033-0130 and ~~660-033-0135~~. Counties may prescribe additional limitations and requirements to meet local concerns only to the extent authorized by law. ¶¶

(2) "R" Use may be allowed, after required review. The use requires notice and the opportunity for a hearing. Minimum standards for uses in the table that include a numerical reference are specified in OAR 660-033-0130. Counties may prescribe additional limitations and requirements to meet local concerns. ¶¶

(3) "*" ~~The use is~~ Use not allowed. ¶¶

(4) "#" - Numerical references for specific uses shown ~~in~~ on the table refer to the corresponding section of OAR 660-033-0130. Where no numerical reference is noted for a use ~~in~~ on the table, this rule does not establish criteria for the use.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 197.040~~245~~, ORS 197.245~~040~~

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 197.245, ORS 215.203, ORS 215.243, ORS 215.283, ORS 215.700 - 215.710, ORS 215.780, ORS 197.230, ORS 197.015

RULE ATTACHMENTS MAY NOT SHOW CHANGES. PLEASE CONTACT AGENCY REGARDING CHANGES.

NOTE: Attachments referenced are attached to this document. You may view the attachment 660-033-0120.pdf from the Attachments panel. Alternately, you may view the attachments at the following link:

<https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/viewAttachment.action?ruleVrsnRsn=337699>

RULE SUMMARY: Changes were made to OAR 660-033-0130 to remove a repealed subsection and to conform to changes in statute resulting from the 2025 legislative session.

CHANGES TO RULE:

660-033-0130

Minimum Standards Applicable to the Schedule of Permitted and Conditional Uses ¶¶

The following requirements apply to uses specified, and as listed in the table adopted by OAR 660-033-0120. For each section of this rule, the corresponding section number is shown in the table. Where no numerical reference is indicated on the table, this rule does not specify any minimum review or approval criteria. Counties may include procedures and conditions in addition to those listed in the table, as authorized by law.¶¶

(1) A dwelling on farmland may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if it meets the requirements of OAR 660-033-0135.¶¶

(2)(a) No enclosed structure with a design capacity greater than 100 people, or group of structures with a total design capacity of greater than 100 people, shall be approved in connection with the use within three miles of an urban growth boundary, unless an exception is approved pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4, or unless the structure is described in a master plan adopted under the provisions of OAR chapter 660, division 34.¶¶

(b) Any enclosed structures or group of enclosed structures described in subsection (a) within a tract must be separated by at least one-half mile. For purposes of this section, "tract" means a tract as defined by ORS 215.010(2) that is in existence as of June 17, 2010.¶¶

(c) Existing facilities wholly within a farm use zone may be maintained, enhanced or expanded on the same tract, subject to other requirements of law, but enclosed existing structures within a farm use zone within three miles of an urban growth boundary may not be expanded beyond the requirements of this rule.¶¶

(3)(a) A dwelling may be approved on a pre-existing lot or parcel if:¶¶

(A) The lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited was lawfully created and was acquired and owned continuously by the present owner as defined in subsection (3)(g) of this rule:¶¶

(i) Since prior to January 1, 1985; or¶¶

(ii) By devise or by intestate succession from a person who acquired and had owned continuously the lot or parcel since prior to January 1, 1985.¶¶

(B) The tract on which the dwelling will be sited does not include a dwelling;¶¶

(C) The lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited was part of a tract on November 4, 1993, no dwelling exists on another lot or parcel that was part of that tract;¶¶

(D) The proposed dwelling is not prohibited by, and will comply with, the requirements of the acknowledged comprehensive plan and land use regulations and other provisions of law;¶¶

(E) The lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited is not high-value farmland except as provided in subsections (3)(c) and (d) of this rule; and¶¶

(F) When the lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited lies within an area designated in an acknowledged comprehensive plan as habitat of big game, the siting of the dwelling is consistent with the limitations on density upon which the acknowledged comprehensive plan and land use regulations intended to protect the habitat are based.¶¶

(b) When the lot or parcel on which the dwelling will be sited is part of a tract, the remaining portions of the tract are consolidated into a single lot or parcel when the dwelling is allowed;¶¶

(c) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (3)(a)(E) of this rule, a single-family dwelling may be sited on high-value farmland if:¶¶

(A) It meets the other requirements of subsections (3)(a) and (b) of this rule;¶¶

(B) The lot or parcel is protected as high-value farmland as defined in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(a);¶¶

(C) A hearings officer of a county determines that:¶¶

(i) The lot or parcel cannot practicably be managed for farm use, by itself or in conjunction with other land, due to extraordinary circumstances inherent in the land or its physical setting that do not apply generally to other land in the vicinity. For the purposes of this section, this criterion asks whether the subject lot or parcel can be physically put to farm use without undue hardship or difficulty because of extraordinary circumstances inherent in the land or its physical setting. Neither size alone nor a parcel's limited economic potential demonstrates that a lot or parcel cannot be practicably managed for farm use. Examples of "extraordinary circumstances inherent in the land or its physical setting" include very steep slopes, deep ravines, rivers, streams, roads, railroad or utility lines or other similar natural or physical barriers that by themselves or in combination separate the subject lot or parcel from

adjacent agricultural land and prevent it from being practicably managed for farm use by itself or together with adjacent or nearby farms. A lot or parcel that has been put to farm use despite the proximity of a natural barrier or since the placement of a physical barrier shall be presumed manageable for farm use;¶

(ii) The dwelling will comply with the provisions of ORS 215.296(1); and¶

(iii) The dwelling will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern in the area by applying the standards set forth in paragraph (4)(a)(D) of this rule; and¶

(D) A local government shall provide notice of all applications for dwellings allowed under subsection (3)(c) of this rule to the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Notice shall be provided in accordance with the governing body's land use regulations but shall be mailed at least 20 calendar days prior to the public hearing before the hearings officer under paragraph (3)(c)(C) of this rule.¶

(d) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (3)(a)(E) of this rule, a single-family dwelling may be sited on high-value farmland if:¶

(A) It meets the other requirements of subsections (3)(a) and (b) of this rule;¶

(B) The tract on which the dwelling will be sited is:¶

(i) Identified in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(c) or (d);¶

(ii) Not high-value farmland defined in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(a); and¶

(iii) Twenty-one acres or less in size; and¶

(C) The tract is bordered on at least 67 percent of its perimeter by tracts that are smaller than 21 acres, and at least two such tracts had dwellings on January 1, 1993; or¶

(D) The tract is not a flaglot and is bordered on at least 25 percent of its perimeter by tracts that are smaller than 21 acres, and at least four dwellings existed on January 1, 1993, within one-quarter mile of the center of the subject tract. Up to two of the four dwellings may lie within an urban growth boundary, but only if the subject tract abuts an urban growth boundary; or¶

(E) The tract is a flaglot and is bordered on at least 25 percent of its perimeter by tracts that are smaller than 21 acres, and at least four dwellings existed on January 1, 1993, within one-quarter mile of the center of the subject tract and on the same side of the public road that provides access to the subject tract. The governing body of a county must interpret the center of the subject tract as the geographic center of the flaglot if the applicant makes a written request for that interpretation and that interpretation does not cause the center to be located outside the flaglot. Up to two of the four dwellings may lie within an urban growth boundary, but only if the subject tract abuts an urban growth boundary:¶

(i) "Flaglot" means a tract containing a narrow strip or panhandle of land providing access from the public road to the rest of the tract.¶

(ii) "Geographic center of the flaglot" means the point of intersection of two perpendicular lines of which the first line crosses the midpoint of the longest side of a flaglot, at a 90-degree angle to the side, and the second line crosses the midpoint of the longest adjacent side of the flaglot.¶

(e) If land is in a zone that allows both farm and forest uses, is acknowledged to be in compliance with both Goals 3 and 4 and may qualify as an exclusive farm use zone under ORS chapter 215, a county may apply the standards for siting a dwelling under either section (3) of this rule or OAR 660-006-0027, as appropriate for the predominant use of the tract on January 1, 1993;¶

(f) A county may, by application of criteria adopted by ordinance, deny approval of a dwelling allowed under section (3) of this rule in any area where the county determines that approval of the dwelling would:¶

(A) Exceed the facilities and service capabilities of the area;¶

(B) Materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area; or¶

(C) Create conditions or circumstances that the county determines would be contrary to the purposes or intent of its acknowledged comprehensive plan or land use regulations.¶

(g) For purposes of subsection (3)(a) of this rule, "owner" includes the wife, husband, son, daughter, mother, father, brother, brother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, stepparent, stepchild, grandparent or grandchild of the owner or a business entity owned by any one or a combination of these family members;¶

(h) The county assessor shall be notified that the governing body intends to allow the dwelling.¶

(i) When a local government approves an application for a single-family dwelling under section (3) of this rule, the application may be transferred by a person who has qualified under section (3) of this rule to any other person after the effective date of the land use decision.¶

(4) A single-family residential dwelling not provided in conjunction with farm use requires approval of the governing body or its designate in any farmland area zoned for exclusive farm use:¶

(a) In the Willamette Valley, the use may be approved if:¶

(A) The dwelling or activities associated with the dwelling will not force a significant change in or significantly increase the cost of accepted farming or forest practices on nearby lands devoted to farm or forest use;¶

(B) The dwelling will be sited on a lot or parcel that is predominantly composed of Class IV through VIII soils that

would not, when irrigated, be classified as prime, unique, Class I or II soils;¶

(C) The dwelling will be sited on a lot or parcel created before January 1, 1993;¶

(D) The dwelling will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. In determining whether a proposed nonfarm dwelling will alter the stability of the land use pattern in the area, a county shall consider the cumulative impact of possible new nonfarm dwellings and parcels on other lots or parcels in the area similarly situated. To address this standard, the county shall:¶

(i) Identify a study area for the cumulative impacts analysis. The study area shall include at least 2000 acres or a smaller area not less than 1000 acres, if the smaller area is a distinct agricultural area based on topography, soil types, land use pattern, or the type of farm or ranch operations or practices that distinguish it from other, adjacent agricultural areas. Findings shall describe the study area, its boundaries, the location of the subject parcel within this area, why the selected area is representative of the land use pattern surrounding the subject parcel and is adequate to conduct the analysis required by this standard. Lands zoned for rural residential or other urban or nonresource uses shall not be included in the study area;¶

(ii) Identify within the study area the broad types of farm uses (irrigated or nonirrigated crops, pasture or grazing lands), the number, location and type of existing dwellings (farm, nonfarm, hardship, etc.), and the dwelling development trends since 1993. Determine the potential number of nonfarm/lot-of-record dwellings that could be approved under subsection (3)(a) and section (4) of this rule, including identification of predominant soil classifications, the parcels created prior to January 1, 1993 and the parcels larger than the minimum lot size that may be divided to create new parcels for nonfarm dwellings under ORS 215.263(4), ORS 215.263(5), and ORS 215.284(4). The findings shall describe the existing land use pattern of the study area including the distribution and arrangement of existing uses and the land use pattern that could result from approval of the possible nonfarm dwellings under this subparagraph; and¶

(iii) Determine whether approval of the proposed nonfarm/lot-of-record dwellings together with existing nonfarm dwellings will materially alter the stability of the land use pattern in the area. The stability of the land use pattern will be materially altered if the cumulative effect of existing and potential nonfarm dwellings will make it more difficult for the existing types of farms in the area to continue operation due to diminished opportunities to expand, purchase or lease farmland, acquire water rights or diminish the number of tracts or acreage in farm use in a manner that will destabilize the overall character of the study area; and¶

(E) The dwelling complies with such other conditions as the governing body or its designate considers necessary.¶

(b) In the Willamette Valley, on a lot or parcel allowed under OAR 660-033-0100(7), the use may be approved if:¶

(A) The dwelling or activities associated with the dwelling will not force a significant change in or significantly increase the cost of accepted farming or forest practices on nearby lands devoted to farm or forest use;¶

(B) The dwelling will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. In determining whether a proposed nonfarm dwelling will alter the stability of the land use pattern in the area, a county shall consider the cumulative impact of nonfarm dwellings on other lots or parcels in the area similarly situated and whether creation of the parcel will lead to creation of other nonfarm parcels, to the detriment of agriculture in the area by applying the standards set forth in paragraph (4)(a)(D) of this rule; and¶

(C) The dwelling complies with such other conditions as the governing body or its designate considers necessary.¶

(c) In counties located outside the Willamette Valley require findings that:¶

(A) The dwelling or activities associated with the dwelling will not force a significant change in or significantly increase the cost of accepted farming or forest practices on nearby lands devoted to farm or forest use;¶

(B)(i) The dwelling, including essential or accessory improvements or structures, is situated upon a lot or parcel, or, in the case of an existing lot or parcel, upon a portion of a lot or parcel, that is generally unsuitable land for the production of farm crops and livestock or merchantable tree species, considering the terrain, adverse soil or land conditions, drainage and flooding, vegetation, location and size of the tract. A lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel shall not be considered unsuitable solely because of size or location if it can reasonably be put to farm or forest use in conjunction with other land; and¶

(ii) A lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel is not "generally unsuitable" simply because it is too small to be farmed profitably by itself. If a lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel can be sold, leased, rented or otherwise managed as a part of a commercial farm or ranch, then the lot or parcel or portion of the lot or parcel is not "generally unsuitable". A lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel is presumed to be suitable if, in Western Oregon it is composed predominantly of Class I-IV soils or, in Eastern Oregon, it is composed predominantly of Class I-VI soils. Just because a lot or parcel or portion of a lot or parcel is unsuitable for one farm use does not mean it is not suitable for another farm use; or¶

(iii) If the parcel is under forest assessment, the dwelling shall be situated upon generally unsuitable land for the production of merchantable tree species recognized by the Forest Practices Rules, considering the terrain, adverse soil or land conditions, drainage and flooding, vegetation, location and size of the parcel. If a lot or parcel is under forest assessment, the area is not "generally unsuitable" simply because it is too small to be managed for forest production profitably by itself. If a lot or parcel under forest assessment can be sold, leased, rented or otherwise

managed as a part of a forestry operation, it is not "generally unsuitable". If a lot or parcel is under forest assessment, it is presumed suitable if, in Western Oregon, it is composed predominantly of soils capable of producing 50 cubic feet of wood fiber per acre per year, or in Eastern Oregon it is composed predominantly of soils capable of producing 20 cubic feet of wood fiber per acre per year. If a lot or parcel is under forest assessment, to be found compatible and not seriously interfere with forest uses on surrounding land it must not force a significant change in forest practices or significantly increase the cost of those practices on the surrounding land;¶

(C) The dwelling will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. In determining whether a proposed nonfarm dwelling will alter the stability of the land use pattern in the area, a county shall consider the cumulative impact of nonfarm dwellings on other lots or parcels in the area similarly situated by applying the standards set forth in paragraph (4)(a)(D) of this rule. If the application involves the creation of a new parcel for the nonfarm dwelling, a county shall consider whether creation of the parcel will lead to creation of other nonfarm parcels, to the detriment of agriculture in the area by applying the standards set forth in paragraph (4)(a)(D) of this rule; and¶

(D) The dwelling complies with such other conditions as the governing body or its designate considers necessary.¶

(d) If a single-family dwelling is established on a lot or parcel as set forth in section (3) of this rule or OAR 660-006-0027, no additional dwelling may later be sited under the provisions of section (4) of this rule;¶

(e) Counties that have adopted marginal lands provisions before January 1, 1993, shall apply the standards in ORS 215.213(3) through 215.213(8) for nonfarm dwellings on lands zoned exclusive farm use that are not designated marginal or high-value farmland.¶

(5) Approval requires review by the governing body or its designate under ORS 215.296. Uses may be approved only where such uses:¶

(a) Will not force a significant change in accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm or forest use; and¶

(b) Will not significantly increase the cost of accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm or forest use.¶

(c) For purposes of subsection (a) and (b), a determination of forcing a significant change in accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm and forest use or a determination of whether the use will significantly increase the cost of accepted farm or forest practices on surrounding lands devoted to farm or forest use requires:¶

(A) Identification and description of the surrounding lands, the farm and forest operations on those lands, and the accepted farm practices on each farm operation and the accepted forest practices on each forest operation;¶

(B) An assessment of the individual impacts to each farm and forest practice, and whether the proposed use is likely to have an important influence or effect on any of those practices; and¶

(C) An assessment of whether all identified impacts of the proposed use when considered together could have a significant impact to any farm or forest operation in the surrounding area in a manner that is likely to have an important influence or effect on that operation.¶

(D) For purposes of this subsection, examples of potential impacts for consideration may include but are not limited to traffic, water availability and delivery, introduction of weeds or pests, damage to crops or livestock, litter, trespass, reduction in crop yields, or flooding.¶

(E) For purposes of subsection (a) and (b), potential impacts to farm and forest practices or the cost of farm and forest practices, impacts relating to the construction or installation of the proposed use shall be deemed part of the use itself for the purpose of conducting a review under subsections (a) and (b).¶

(F) In the consideration of potentially mitigating conditions of approval under ORS 215.296(2), the governing body may not impose such a condition upon the owner of the affected farm or forest land or on such land itself, nor compel said owner to accept payment to compensate for the significant changes or significant increases in costs described in subsection (a) and (b).¶

(6) A facility for the primary processing of forest products shall not seriously interfere with accepted farming practices and shall be compatible with farm uses described in ORS 215.203(2). Such facility may be approved for a one-year period that is renewable and is intended to be only portable or temporary in nature. The primary processing of a forest product, as used in this section, means the use of a portable chipper or stud mill or other similar methods of initial treatment of a forest product in order to enable its shipment to market. Forest products as used in this section means timber grown upon a tract where the primary processing facility is located.¶

(7) A personal-use airport as used in this section means an airstrip restricted, except for aircraft emergencies, to use by the owner, and, on an infrequent and occasional basis, by invited guests, and by commercial aviation activities in connection with agricultural operations. No aircraft may be based on a personal-use airport other than those owned or controlled by the owner of the airstrip. Exceptions to the activities allowed under this definition may be granted through waiver action by the Oregon Department of Aviation in specific instances. A personal-use airport lawfully existing as of September 13, 1975, shall continue to be allowed subject to any applicable rules of the Oregon Department of Aviation.¶

- (8)(a) A lawfully established dwelling may be altered, restored or replaced under ORS 215.213(1)(q) or 215.283(1)(p) if, when an application for a permit is submitted, the county finds to its satisfaction, based on substantial evidence that the dwelling to be altered, restored or replaced has, or formerly had:¶
- (A) Intact exterior walls and roof structure;¶
 - (B) Indoor plumbing consisting of a kitchen sink, toilet and bathing facilities connected to a sanitary waste disposal system;¶
 - (C) Interior wiring for interior lights; and¶
 - (D) A heating system;¶
- (b) An application under this section must be filed within three years following the date that the dwelling last possessed all the features listed under subsection (a).¶
- (c) Construction of a replacement dwelling approved under this section must commence no later than four years after the approval of the application under this section becomes final.¶
- (d) In addition to the provisions of subsection (a), the dwelling to be replaced meets one of the following conditions;¶
- (A) If the value of the dwelling to be replaced was eliminated as a result of destruction or demolition, the dwelling was assessed as a dwelling for purposes of ad valorem taxation prior to the destruction or demolition and since the later of:¶
 - (i) Five years before the date of the destruction or demolition; or¶
 - (ii) The date that the dwelling was erected upon or fixed to the land and became subject to property tax assessment; or¶
 - (B) The value of dwelling to be replaced has not been eliminated due to destruction or demolition, and the dwelling was assessed as a dwelling for purposes of ad valorem taxation since the later of:¶
 - (i) Five years before the date of the application; or¶
 - (ii) The date that the dwelling was erected upon or fixed to the land and became subject to property tax assessment.¶
- (e) For replacement of a lawfully established dwelling under ORS 215.213(1)(q) or 215.283(1)(p):¶
- (A) The dwelling to be replaced must be removed, demolished or converted to an allowable nonresidential use within three months after the date the replacement dwelling is certified for occupancy pursuant to ORS 455.055.¶
 - (B) The applicant must cause to be recorded in the deed records of the county a statement that the dwelling to be replaced has been removed, demolished or converted.¶
 - (C) As a condition of approval, if the dwelling to be replaced is located on a portion of the lot or parcel that is not zoned for exclusive farm use, the applicant shall execute and cause to be recorded in the deed records of the county in which the property is located a deed restriction prohibiting the siting of another dwelling on that portion of the lot or parcel. The restriction imposed is irrevocable unless the county planning director, or the director's designee, places a statement of release in the deed records of the county to the effect that the provisions of ORS 215.291 and either ORS 215.213 or 215.283 regarding replacement dwellings have changed to allow the lawful siting of another dwelling.¶
 - (D) The county planning director, or the director's designee, shall maintain a record of:¶
 - (i) The lots and parcels for which dwellings to be replaced have been removed, demolished or converted; and¶
 - (ii) The lots and parcels that do not qualify for the siting of a new dwelling under subsection (e), including a copy of the deed restrictions filed under paragraph (C) of this subsection.¶
- (f)(A) A replacement dwelling under ORS 215.213(1)(q) or 215.283(1)(p) must comply with applicable building codes, plumbing codes, sanitation codes and other requirements relating to health and safety or to siting at the time of construction.¶
- (B) The replacement dwelling may be sited on any part of the same lot or parcel:¶
 - (C) The replacement dwelling must comply with applicable siting standards. However, the standards may not be applied in a manner that prohibits the siting of the replacement dwelling.¶
 - ~~(D) The replacement dwelling must comply with the construction provisions of section R327 of the Oregon Residential Specialty Code, if:¶~~
 - ~~(i) The dwelling is in an area identified as extreme or high wildfire risk on the statewide map of wildfire risk described in ORS 477.490; or¶~~
 - ~~(ii) No statewide map of wildfire risk has been adopted.¶~~
- (9)(a) To qualify for a relative farm help dwelling, a dwelling shall be occupied by relatives whose assistance in the management and farm use of the existing commercial farming operation is required by the farm operator. However, farming of a marijuana crop may not be used to demonstrate compliance with the approval criteria for a relative farm help dwelling. The farm operator shall continue to play the predominant role in the management and farm use of the farm. A farm operator is a person who operates a farm, doing the work and making the day-to-day decisions about such things as planting, harvesting, feeding and marketing.¶
- (b) A relative farm help dwelling must be located on the same lot or parcel as the dwelling of the farm operator and

must be on real property used for farm use.¶¶

(c) For the purpose of subsection (a), "relative" means a child, parent, stepparent, grandchild, grandparent, stepgrandparent, sibling, stepsibling, niece, nephew or first cousin of the farm operator or the farm operator's spouse.¶¶

(d) Notwithstanding ORS 92.010 to 92.192 or the minimum lot or parcel requirements under ORS 215.780, if the owner of a dwelling described in this section obtains construction financing or other financing secured by the dwelling and the secured party forecloses on the dwelling, the secured party may also foreclose on the "homesite," as defined in ORS 308A.250, and the foreclosure shall operate as a partition of the homesite to create a new parcel. Prior conditions of approval for the subject land and dwelling remain in effect.¶¶

(e) For the purpose of subsection (d), "foreclosure" means only those foreclosures that are exempt from partition under ORS 92.010(9)(a).¶¶

(10) Temporary residence for the term of the hardship suffered by the existing resident or relative as defined in ORS chapter 215. As used in this section "hardship" means a medical hardship or hardship for the care of an aged or infirm person or persons. "Hardship" also includes a natural hazard event that has destroyed homes, caused residential evacuations, or both, and resulted in an Executive Order issued by the Governor declaring an emergency for all or parts of Oregon pursuant to ORS 401.165, et seq. A temporary residence approved under this section is not eligible for replacement under ORS 215.213(1)(q) or 215.283(1)(p).¶¶

(a) For a medical hardship or hardship for the care of an aged or infirm person or persons the temporary residence may include a manufactured dwelling, or recreational vehicle, or the temporary residential use of an existing building. A manufactured dwelling shall use the same subsurface sewage disposal system used by the existing dwelling, if that disposal system is adequate to accommodate the additional dwelling. If the manufactured home will use a public sanitary sewer system, such condition will not be required. Governing bodies shall review the permit authorizing such manufactured homes every two years. Within three months of the end of the hardship, the manufactured dwelling or recreational vehicle shall be removed or demolished, or, in the case of an existing building, the building shall be removed, demolished, or returned to an allowed nonresidential use. Department of Environmental Quality review and removal requirements also apply.¶¶

(b) For hardships based on a natural hazard event described in this section, the temporary residence may include a recreational vehicle or the temporary residential use of an existing building. Governing bodies shall review the permit authorizing such temporary residences every two years. Within three months of the end of the hardship, the recreational vehicle shall be removed or demolished, or, in the case of an existing building, the building shall be removed, demolished, or returned to an allowed nonresidential use. Department of Environmental Quality review and removal requirements also apply.¶¶

(c) For applications submitted under subsection (b) of this section, the county may find that the criteria of section (5) are satisfied when:¶¶

(A) The temporary residence is established within an existing building or, if a recreational vehicle, is located within 100 feet of the primary residence; or¶¶

(B) The temporary residence is located further than 250 feet from adjacent lands planned and zoned for resource use under Goal 3, Goal 4, or both.¶¶

(11) Subject to the issuance of a license, permit or other approval by the Department of Environmental Quality under ORS 454.695, 459.205, 468B.050, 468B.053 or 468B.055, or in compliance with rules adopted under ORS 468B.095, and with the requirements of ORS 215.246, 215.247, 215.249 and 215.251, the land application of reclaimed water, agricultural process or industrial process water or biosolids, or the onsite treatment of septage prior to the land application of biosolids, for agricultural, horticultural or silvicultural production, or for irrigation in connection with a use allowed in an exclusive farm use zones under this division is allowed. For the purposes of this section, onsite treatment of septage prior to the land application of biosolids is limited to treatment using treatment facilities that are portable, temporary and transportable by truck trailer, as defined in ORS 801.580, during a period of time within which land application of biosolids is authorized under the license, permit or other approval.¶¶

(12) In order to meet the requirements specified in the statute, a historic dwelling shall be ~~listed on the National Register of Historic Places~~ classified as historic property as described in ORS 358.487(4).¶¶

(13) Roads, highways and other transportation facilities, and improvements not otherwise allowed under this rule may be established, subject to the adoption of the governing body or its designate of an exception to Goal 3, Agricultural Lands, and to any other applicable goal with which the facility or improvement does not comply. In addition, transportation uses and improvements may be authorized under conditions and standards as set forth in OAR 660-012-0035 and 660-012-0065.¶¶

(14) Home occupations and the parking of vehicles may be authorized.¶¶

(a) Home occupations shall be operated substantially in the dwelling or other buildings normally associated with uses permitted in the zone in which the property is located.¶¶

(b) A home occupation shall be operated by a resident or employee of a resident of the property on which the

business is located, and shall employ on the site no more than five full-time or part-time persons.¶

(c) A governing body may only approve a use provided in OAR 660-033-0120 as a home occupation if:¶

(A) The scale and intensity of the use is no more intensive than the limitations and conditions otherwise specified for the use in OAR 660-033-0120, and¶

(B) The use is accessory, incidental and subordinate to the primary residential use of a dwelling on the property.¶

(15) New uses that batch and blend mineral and aggregate into asphalt cement may not be authorized within two miles of a planted vineyard. Planted vineyard means one or more vineyards totaling 40 acres or more that are planted as of the date the application for batching and blending is filed.¶

(16)(a) Utility facilities needed for public service do not include commercial facilities for the purpose of generating electrical power for public use by sale or transmission towers over 200 feet in height.¶

(b) Utility facilities needed for public service do include:¶

(A) Utility facilities as provided in ORS 215.275;¶

(B) Utility facilities that are associated transmission lines, as defined in ORS 215.274 and 469.300;¶

(C) Wetland waste treatment systems; or¶

(D) Facilities and service lines needed to provide water or wastewater services allowed under ORS 215.256.¶

(c) A utility facility established under ORS 215.213(1)(c) or 215.283(1)(c) is necessary for public service if the facility must be sited in an exclusive farm use zone in order to provide the service. To demonstrate that a utility facility is necessary, an applicant must:¶

(A) Show that reasonable alternatives have been considered and that the facility must be sited in an exclusive farm use zone due to one or more of the following factors:¶

(i) Technical and engineering feasibility;¶

(ii) The proposed facility is locationally-dependent. A utility facility is locationally-dependent if it must cross land in one or more areas zoned for exclusive farm use in order to achieve a reasonably direct route or to meet unique geographical needs that cannot be satisfied on other lands;¶

(iii) Lack of available urban and nonresource lands;¶

(iv) Availability of existing rights of way;¶

(v) Public health and safety; and¶

(vi) Other requirements of state and federal agencies.¶

(B) Costs associated with any of the factors listed in paragraph (A) of this subsection may be considered, but cost alone may not be the only consideration in determining that a utility facility is necessary for public service. Land costs shall not be included when considering alternative locations for substantially similar utility facilities and the siting of utility facilities that are not substantially similar.¶

(C) The owner of a utility facility approved under this section shall be responsible for restoring, as nearly as possible, to its former condition any agricultural land and associated improvements that are damaged or otherwise disturbed by the siting, maintenance, repair or reconstruction of the facility. Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the owner of the utility facility from requiring a bond or other security from a contractor or otherwise imposing on a contractor the responsibility for restoration.¶

(D) The governing body of the county or its designee shall impose clear and objective conditions on an application for utility facility siting to mitigate and minimize the impacts of the proposed facility, if any, on surrounding lands devoted to farm use in order to prevent a significant change in accepted farm practices or a significant increase in the cost of farm practices on surrounding farmlands.¶

(E) Utility facilities necessary for public service may include on-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a utility facility. Such facilities must be removed or converted to an allowed use under OAR 660-033-0130(19) or other statute or rule when project construction is complete. Off-site facilities allowed under this paragraph are subject to 660-033-0130(5). Temporary workforce housing facilities not included in the initial approval may be considered through a minor amendment request. A minor amendment request shall have no effect on the original approval.¶

(F) In addition to the provisions of paragraphs (A) to (D) of this subsection, the establishment or extension of a sewer system as defined by OAR 660-011-0060(1)(f) in an exclusive farm use zone shall be subject to the provisions of OAR 660-011-0060.¶

(G) The provisions of paragraphs (A) to (D) of this subsection do not apply to interstate natural gas pipelines and associated facilities authorized by and subject to regulation by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.¶

(b) An associated transmission line is necessary for public service and shall be approved by the governing body of a county or its designee if an applicant for approval under ORS 215.213(1)(c) or 215.283(1)(c) demonstrates to the governing body of a county or its designee that the associated transmission line meets either the requirements of paragraph (A) of this subsection or the requirements of paragraph (B) of this subsection.¶

(A) An applicant demonstrates that the entire route of the associated transmission line meets at least one of the following requirements:¶

(i) The associated transmission line is not located on high-value farmland, as defined in ORS 195.300, or on arable

land;¶

(ii) The associated transmission line is co-located with an existing transmission line;¶

(iii) The associated transmission line parallels an existing transmission line corridor with the minimum separation necessary for safety; or¶

(iv) The associated transmission line is located within an existing right of way for a linear facility, such as a transmission line, road or railroad, that is located above the surface of the ground.¶

(B) After an evaluation of reasonable alternatives, an applicant demonstrates that the entire route of the associated transmission line meets, subject to paragraphs (C) and (D) of this subsection, two or more of the following criteria:¶

(i) Technical and engineering feasibility;¶

(ii) The associated transmission line is locationally-dependent because the associated transmission line must cross high-value farmland, as defined in ORS 195.300, or arable land to achieve a reasonably direct route or to meet unique geographical needs that cannot be satisfied on other lands;¶

(iii) Lack of an available existing right of way for a linear facility, such as a transmission line, road or railroad, that is located above the surface of the ground;¶

(iv) Public health and safety; or¶

(v) Other requirements of state or federal agencies.¶

(C) As pertains to paragraph (B), the applicant shall present findings to the governing body of the county or its designee on how the applicant will mitigate and minimize the impacts, if any, of the associated transmission line on surrounding lands devoted to farm use in order to prevent a significant change in accepted farm practices or a significant increase in the cost of farm practices on the surrounding farmland.¶

(D) The governing body of a county or its designee may consider costs associated with any of the factors listed in paragraph (B) of this subsection, but consideration of cost may not be the only consideration in determining whether the associated transmission line is necessary for public service.¶

(17) Permanent features of a power generation facility shall not use, occupy, or cover more than 12 acres unless an exception is taken pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4. A power generation facility may include on-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a power generation facility. Such facilities must be removed or converted to an allowed use under OAR 660-033-0130(19) or other statute or rule when project construction is complete. Temporary workforce housing facilities not included in the initial approval may be considered through a minor amendment request. A minor amendment request shall be subject to section (5) and shall have no effect on the original approval.¶

(18)(a) Existing facilities wholly within a farm use zone may be maintained, enhanced or expanded on the same tract, subject to other requirements of law. An existing golf course may be expanded consistent with the requirements of sections (5) and (20) of this rule, but shall not be expanded to contain more than 36 total holes.¶

(b) Notwithstanding ORS 215.130, 215.213, 215.283, or any local zoning ordinance or regulation, a public or private school, including all buildings essential to the operation of a school, formerly allowed pursuant to ORS 215.213(1)(a) or 215.283(1)(a), as in effect before January 1, 2010, may be expanded provided:¶

(A) The expansion complies with ORS 215.296;¶

(B) The school was established on or before January 1, 2009;¶

(C) The expansion occurs on a tax lot;¶

(i) On which the school was established; or¶

(ii) Contiguous to and, on January 1, 2015, under the same ownership as the tax lot on which the school was established; and¶

(D) The school is a public or private school for kindergarten through grade 12.¶

(c) Subject to the requirements of sections (5) and (20) of this rule, a golf course may be established on land determined to be high-value farmland as defined in ORS 195.300(10)(c) if the land:¶

(A) Is not otherwise high-value farmland as defined in ORS 195.300(10);¶

(B) Is surrounded on all sides by an approved golf course; and¶

(C) Is west of U.S. Highway 101.¶

(19)(a) A campground is an area devoted to overnight temporary use for vacation, recreational or emergency purposes, but not for residential purposes. Campgrounds authorized by this rule shall not include intensively developed recreational uses such as swimming pools, tennis courts, retail stores or gas stations.¶

(b) Vacation or recreational purposes. Except on a lot or parcel contiguous to a lake or reservoir, private campgrounds devoted to vacation or recreational purposes shall not be allowed within three miles of an urban growth boundary unless an exception is approved pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4. Campgrounds approved under this provision must be found to be established on a site or is contiguous to lands with a park or other outdoor natural amenity that is accessible for recreational use by the occupants of the campground and designed and integrated into the rural agricultural and forest environment in a manner that protects the natural amenities of the site and provides buffers of existing native trees and vegetation or other

natural features between campsites. Overnight temporary use in the same campground by a camper or camper's vehicle shall not exceed a total of 30 days during any consecutive six-month period. Campsites may be occupied by a tent, travel trailer, yurt or recreational vehicle. Separate sewer, water or electric service hook-ups shall not be provided to individual camp sites except that electrical service may be provided to yurts allowed for by subsection (19)(d) of this rule.¶

(c) Emergency purposes. Emergency campgrounds may be authorized when a wildfire identified in an Executive Order issued by the Governor in accordance with the Emergency Conflagration Act, ORS 476.510 through 476.610, has destroyed homes or caused residential evacuations, or both within the county or an adjacent county. Commercial activities shall be limited to mobile commissary services scaled to meet the needs of campground occupants. Campgrounds approved under this section must be removed or converted to an allowed use within 36 months from the date of the Governor's Executive Order. The county may grant two additional 12-month extensions upon demonstration by the applicant that the campground continues to be necessary to support the natural hazard event recovery efforts because adequate amounts of permanent housing is not reasonably available. A county must process applications filed pursuant to this section in the manner identified at ORS 215.416(11).¶

(A) Campsites may be occupied by a tent, travel trailer, yurt or recreational vehicle. Separate sewer hook-ups shall not be provided to individual camp sites.¶

(B) Campgrounds shall be located outside of flood, geological, or wildfire hazard areas identified in adopted comprehensive plans and land use regulations to the extent possible.¶

(C) A plan for removing or converting the temporary campground to an allowed use at the end of the time-frame specified in subsection (c) shall be included in the application materials and, upon meeting the county's satisfaction, be attached to the decision as a condition of approval. A county may require that a removal plan developed pursuant to this paragraph include a specific financial agreement in the form of a performance bond, letter of credit or other assurance acceptable to the county that is furnished by the applicant in an amount necessary to ensure that there are adequate funds available for removal or conversion activities to be completed.¶

(d) Subject to the approval of the county governing body or its designee, a private campground may provide yurts for overnight camping. No more than one-third or a maximum of 10 campsites, whichever is smaller, may include a yurt. The yurt shall be located on the ground or on a wood floor with no permanent foundation. Upon request of a county governing body, the commission may provide by rule for an increase in the number of yurts allowed on all or a portion of the campgrounds in a county if the commission determines that the increase will comply with the standards described in ORS 215.296(1). As used in this section, "yurt" means a round, domed shelter of cloth or canvas on a collapsible frame with no plumbing, sewage disposal hook-up or internal cooking appliance.¶

(e) For applications submitted under subsection (c) of this section, the criteria of section (5) can be found to be satisfied when:¶

(A) The Governor has issued an Executive Order declaring an emergency for all or parts of Oregon pursuant to ORS 401.165, et seq.¶

(B) The subject property is not irrigated.¶

(C) The subject property is not high-value farmland.¶

(D) The number of proposed campsites does not exceed 12; or¶

(E) The number of proposed campsites does not exceed 36; and¶

(F) Campsites and other campground facilities are located at least 660 feet from adjacent lands planned and zoned for resource use under Goal 3, Goal 4, or both.¶

(20) "Golf Course" means an area of land with highly maintained natural turf laid out for the game of golf with a series of nine or more holes, each including a tee, a fairway, a putting green, and often one or more natural or artificial hazards. A "golf course" for purposes of ORS 215.213(2)(f), 215.283(2)(f), and this division means a nine or 18 hole regulation golf course or a combination nine and 18 hole regulation golf course consistent with the following:¶

(a) A regulation 18 hole golf course is generally characterized by a site of about 120 to 150 acres of land, has a playable distance of 5,000 to 7,200 yards, and a par of 64 to 73 strokes;¶

(b) A regulation nine hole golf course is generally characterized by a site of about 65 to 90 acres of land, has a playable distance of 2,500 to 3,600 yards, and a par of 32 to 36 strokes;¶

(c) Non-regulation golf courses are not allowed uses within these areas. "Non-regulation golf course" means a golf course or golf course-like development that does not meet the definition of golf course in this rule, including but not limited to executive golf courses, Par three golf courses, pitch and putt golf courses, miniature golf courses and driving ranges;¶

(d) Counties shall limit accessory uses provided as part of a golf course consistent with the following standards:¶

(A) An accessory use to a golf course is a facility or improvement that is incidental to the operation of the golf course and is either necessary for the operation and maintenance of the golf course or that provides goods or services customarily provided to golfers at a golf course. An accessory use or activity does not serve the needs of

the non-golfing public. Accessory uses to a golf course may include: Parking; maintenance buildings; cart storage and repair; practice range or driving range; clubhouse; restrooms; lockers and showers; food and beverage service; pro shop; a practice or beginners course as part of an 18 hole or larger golf course; or golf tournament. Accessory uses to a golf course do not include: Sporting facilities unrelated to golfing such as tennis courts, swimming pools, and weight rooms; wholesale or retail operations oriented to the non-golfing public; or housing;¶¶

(B) Accessory uses shall be limited in size and orientation on the site to serve the needs of persons and their guests who patronize the golf course to golf. An accessory use that provides commercial services (e.g., pro shop, etc.) shall be located in the clubhouse rather than in separate buildings; and¶¶

(C) Accessory uses may include one or more food and beverage service facilities in addition to food and beverage service facilities located in a clubhouse. Food and beverage service facilities must be part of and incidental to the operation of the golf course and must be limited in size and orientation on the site to serve only the needs of persons who patronize the golf course and their guests. Accessory food and beverage service facilities shall not be designed for or include structures for banquets, public gatherings or public entertainment.¶¶

(21) "Living History Museum" means a facility designed to depict and interpret everyday life and culture of some specific historic period using authentic buildings, tools, equipment and people to simulate past activities and events. As used in this rule, a living history museum shall be related to resource based activities and shall be owned and operated by a governmental agency or a local historical society. A living history museum may include limited commercial activities and facilities that are directly related to the use and enjoyment of the museum and located within authentic buildings of the depicted historic period or the museum administration building, if areas other than an exclusive farm use zone cannot accommodate the museum and related activities or if the museum administration buildings and parking lot are located within one quarter mile of an urban growth boundary. "Local historical society" means the local historical society, recognized as such by the county governing body and organized under ORS chapter 65.¶¶

(22) Permanent features of a power generation facility shall not use, occupy or cover more than 20 acres unless an exception is taken pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4. A power generation facility may include on-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a power generation facility. Such facilities must be removed or converted to an allowed use under OAR 660-033-0130(19) or other statute or rule when project construction is complete. Temporary workforce housing facilities not included in the initial approval may be considered through a minor amendment request. A minor amendment request shall be subject to section (5) and shall have no effect on the original approval.¶¶

(23) A farm stand may be approved if:¶¶

(a) The structures are designed and used for sale of farm crops and livestock grown on the farm operation, or grown on the farm operation and other farm operations in the local agricultural area, including the sale of retail incidental items and fee-based activity to promote the sale of farm crops or livestock sold at the farm stand if the annual sales of the incidental items and fees from promotional activity do not make up more than 25 percent of the total annual sales of the farm stand; and¶¶

(b) The farm stand does not include structures designed for occupancy as a residence or for activities other than the sale of farm crops and livestock and does not include structures for banquets, public gatherings or public entertainment.¶¶

(c) As used in this section, "farm crops or livestock" includes both fresh and processed farm crops and livestock grown on the farm operation, or grown on the farm operation and other farm operations in the local agricultural area. As used in this subsection, "processed farm crops and livestock" includes jams, syrups, apple cider, animal products and other similar farm crops and livestock that have been processed and converted into another product but not prepared food items.¶¶

(d) As used in this section, "local agricultural area" includes Oregon or an adjacent county in Washington, Idaho, Nevada or California that borders the Oregon county in which the farm stand is located.¶¶

(e) A farm stand may not be used for the sale, or to promote the sale, of marijuana products or extracts.¶¶

(f) At the request of a local government with land use jurisdiction over the farm stand, the farm stand operator of a farm stand approved under this section shall submit to the local government evidence of compliance with the annual sales requirement of subsection (a). Such evidence shall consist of an IRS tax return transcript and any other information the local jurisdiction may require to document ongoing compliance with this section or any other condition of approval required by the county.¶¶

(24) Accessory farm dwellings as defined by subsection (e) of this section may be considered customarily provided in conjunction with farm use if:¶¶

(a) Each accessory farm dwelling meets all the following requirements:¶¶

(A) The accessory farm dwelling will be occupied by a person or persons who will be principally engaged in the farm use of the land and whose seasonal or year-round assistance in the management of the farm use, such as planting, harvesting, marketing or caring for livestock, is or will be required by the farm operator;¶¶

(B) The accessory farm dwelling will be located:¶¶

- (i) On the same lot or parcel as the primary farm dwelling;¶
- (ii) On the same tract as the primary farm dwelling when the lot or parcel on which the accessory farm dwelling will be sited is consolidated into a single parcel with all other contiguous lots and parcels in the tract;¶
- (iii) On a lot or parcel on which the primary farm dwelling is not located, when the accessory farm dwelling is limited to only a manufactured dwelling with a deed restriction. The deed restriction shall be filed with the county clerk and require the manufactured dwelling to be removed when the lot or parcel is conveyed to another party. The manufactured dwelling may remain if it is reapproved under these rules;¶
- (iv) On any lot or parcel, when the accessory farm dwelling is limited to only attached multi-unit residential structures allowed by the applicable state building code or similar types of farmworker housing as that existing on farm or ranch operations registered with the Department of Consumer and Business Services, Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division under ORS 658.750. A county shall require all accessory farm dwellings approved under this subparagraph to be removed, demolished or converted to a nonresidential use when farmworker housing is no longer required. "Farmworker housing" shall have the meaning set forth in ORS 215.278 and not the meaning in ORS 315.163; or¶
- (v) On a lot or parcel on which the primary farm dwelling is not located, when the accessory farm dwelling is located on a lot or parcel at least the size of the applicable minimum lot size under ORS 215.780 and the lot or parcel complies with the gross farm income requirements in OAR 660-033-0135(3) or (4), whichever is applicable; and¶
- (C) There is no other dwelling on the lands designated for exclusive farm use owned by the farm operator that is vacant or currently occupied by persons not working on the subject farm or ranch and that could reasonably be used as an accessory farm dwelling.¶
- (b) In addition to the requirements in subsection (a) of this section, the primary farm dwelling to which the proposed dwelling would be accessory, meets one of the following:¶
- (A) On land not identified as high-value farmland, the primary farm dwelling is located on a farm or ranch operation that is currently employed for farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203, on which, in each of the last two years or three of the last five years or in an average of three of the last five years, the farm operator earned the lower of the following:¶
- (i) At least \$40,000 in gross annual income from the sale of farm products. In determining the gross income, the cost of purchased livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income attributed to the tract; or¶
- (ii) Gross annual income of at least the midpoint of the median income range of gross annual sales for farms in the county with the gross annual sales of \$10,000 or more according to the 1992 Census of Agriculture, Oregon. In determining the gross income, the cost of purchased livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income attributed to the tract;¶
- (B) On land identified as high-value farmland, the primary farm dwelling is located on a farm or ranch operation that is currently employed for farm use, as defined in ORS 215.203, on which the farm operator earned at least \$80,000 in gross annual income from the sale of farm products in each of the last two years or three of the last five years or in an average of three of the last five years. In determining the gross income, the cost of purchased livestock shall be deducted from the total gross income attributed to the tract;¶
- (C) On land not identified as high-value farmland in counties that have adopted marginal lands provisions under former ORS 197.247 (1991 Edition) before January 1, 1993, the primary farm dwelling is located on a farm or ranch operation that meets the standards and requirements of ORS 215.213(2)(a) or (b) or paragraph (A) of this subsection; or¶
- (D) It is located on a commercial dairy farm as defined by OAR 660-033-0135(8); and¶
- (i) The building permits, if required, have been issued and construction has begun or been completed for the buildings and animal waste facilities required for a commercial dairy farm;¶
- (ii) The Oregon Department of Agriculture has approved a permit for a "confined animal feeding operation" under ORS 468B.050 and 468B.200 to 468B.230; and¶
- (iii) A Producer License for the sale of dairy products under ORS 621.072.¶
- (c) The governing body of a county shall not approve any proposed division of a lot or parcel for an accessory farm dwelling approved pursuant to this section. If it is determined that an accessory farm dwelling satisfies the requirements of OAR 660-033-0135, a parcel may be created consistent with the minimum parcel size requirements in 660-033-0100.¶
- (d) An accessory farm dwelling approved pursuant to this section cannot later be used to satisfy the requirements for a dwelling not provided in conjunction with farm use pursuant to section (4) of this rule.¶
- (e) For the purposes of this section, "accessory farm dwelling" includes all types of residential structures allowed by the applicable state building code.¶
- (f) Farming of a marijuana crop shall not be used to demonstrate compliance with the approval criteria for an accessory farm dwelling.¶
- (g) Accessory farm dwellings destroyed by a wildfire identified in an Executive Order issued by the Governor in accordance with the Emergency Conflagration Act, ORS 476.510 through 476.610 may be replaced. The

temporary use of modular structures, manufactured housing, fabric structures, tents and similar accommodations is allowed until replacement under this subsection occurs.¶

(h) The applicant shall submit to the local government an IRS tax return transcript and any other information the county may require that demonstrates compliance with the gross farm income requirements in paragraph (b)(A) or (B), whichever is applicable.¶

(25) In counties that have adopted marginal lands provisions under former ORS 197.247 (1991 Edition) before January 1, 1993, an armed forces reserve center is allowed, if the center is within one-half mile of a community college. An "armed forces reserve center" includes an armory or National Guard support facility.¶

(26) Buildings and facilities associated with a site for the takeoff and landing of model aircraft shall not be more than 500 square feet in floor area or placed on a permanent foundation unless the building or facility preexisted the use approved under this section. The site shall not include an aggregate surface or hard surface area unless the surface preexisted the use approved under this section. An owner of property used for the purpose authorized in this section may charge a person operating the use on the property rent for the property. An operator may charge users of the property a fee that does not exceed the operator's cost to maintain the property, buildings and facilities. As used in this section, "model aircraft" means a small-scale version of an airplane, glider, helicopter, dirigible or balloon that is used or intended to be used for flight and is controlled by radio, lines or design by a person on the ground.¶

(27) Insect species shall not include any species under quarantine by the Oregon Department of Agriculture or the United States Department of Agriculture. The county shall provide notice of all applications under this section to the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Notice shall be provided in accordance with the county's land use regulations but shall be mailed at least 20 calendar days prior to any administrative decision or initial public hearing on the application.¶

(28)(a) A facility for the processing of farm products is a permitted use under ORS 215.213(1)(u) and ORS 215.283(1)(r) on land zoned for exclusive farm use, only if the facility:¶

(A) Uses less than 10,000 square feet for its processing area and complies with all applicable siting standards. A county may not apply siting standards in a manner that prohibits the siting of a facility for the processing of farm products; or¶

(B) Notwithstanding any applicable siting standard, uses less than 2,500 square feet for its processing area. However, a local government shall apply applicable standards and criteria pertaining to floodplains, geologic hazards, beach and dune hazards, airport safety, tsunami hazards and fire siting standards.¶

(b) A county may not approve any division of a lot or parcel that separates a facility for the processing of farm products from the farm operation on which it is located.¶

(c) As used in this section, the following definitions apply:¶

(A) "Facility for the processing of farm products" means a facility for:¶

(i) Processing farm crops, including the production of biofuel as defined in ORS 315.141, if at least one-quarter of the farm crops come from the farm operation containing the facility; or¶

(ii) Slaughtering, processing or selling poultry or poultry products, rabbits or rabbit products from the farm operation containing the facility and consistent with the licensing exemption for a person under ORS 603.038(2).¶

(B) "Processing area" means the floor area of a building dedicated to farm product processing. "Processing area" does not include the floor area designated for preparation, storage or other farm use.¶

(29)(a) Composting operations and facilities allowed on high-value farmland are limited to those that are accepted farming practices in conjunction with and auxiliary to farm use on the subject tract, and that meet the performance and permitting requirements of the Department of Environmental Quality under OAR 340-093-0050 and 340-096-0060. Excess compost may be sold to neighboring farm operations in the local area and shall be limited to bulk loads of at least one unit (7.5 cubic yards) in size. Buildings and facilities used in conjunction with the composting operation shall only be those required for the operation of the subject facility.¶

(b) Composting operations and facilities allowed on land not defined as high-value farmland shall meet the performance and permitting requirements of the Department of Environmental Quality under OAR 340-093-0050 and 340-096-0060. Composting operations that are accepted farming practices in conjunction with and auxiliary to farm use on the subject tract are allowed uses, while other composting operations are subject to the review standards of ORS 215.296. Buildings and facilities used in conjunction with the composting operation shall only be those required for the operation of the subject facility. Onsite sales shall be limited to bulk loads of at least one unit (7.5 cubic yards) in size that are transported in one vehicle.¶

(30) The county governing body or its designate shall require as a condition of approval of a single-family dwelling under ORS 215.213, 215.283, or 215.284 or otherwise in a farm or forest zone, that the landowner for the dwelling sign and record in the deed records for the county a document binding the landowner, and the landowner's successors in interest, prohibiting them from pursuing a claim for relief or cause of action alleging injury from farming or forest practices for which no action or claim is allowed under ORS 30.936 or 30.937.¶

(31) Public parks including only the uses specified under OAR 660-034-0035 or 660-034-0040, whichever is

applicable.¶¶

(32) Utility facility service lines are utility lines and accessory facilities or structures that end at the point where the utility service is received by the customer and that are located on one or more of the following:¶¶

(a) A public right of way;¶¶

(b) Land immediately adjacent to a public right of way, provided the written consent of all adjacent property owners has been obtained; or¶¶

(c) The property to be served by the utility.¶¶

(33) An outdoor mass gathering as defined in ORS 433.735, subject to the provisions of ORS 433.735 to 433.770. A county may not require an outdoor mass gathering permit under ORS 433.750 for agri-tourism and other commercial events or activities permitted under ORS 215.213(11), 215.283(4), 215.449, 215.451, and 215.452.¶¶

(34) An outdoor mass gathering of more than 3,000 persons any part of which is held outdoors and which continues or can reasonably be expected to continue for a period exceeding that allowable for an outdoor mass gathering as defined in ORS 433.735 is subject to review under the provisions of ORS 433.763.¶¶

(35)(a) As part of the conditional use approval process under ORS 215.296 and section (5), for the purpose of verifying the existence, continuity and nature of the business described in ORS 215.213(2)(w) or 215.283(2)(y), representatives of the business may apply to the county and submit evidence including, but not limited to, sworn affidavits or other documentary evidence that the business qualifies; and¶¶

(b) Alteration, restoration or replacement of a use authorized in ORS 215.213(2)(w) or 215.283(2)(y) may be altered, restored or replaced pursuant to 215.130(5), (6) and (9).¶¶

(36) For counties subject to ORS 215.283 and not 215.213, a community center authorized under this section may provide services to veterans, including but not limited to emergency and transitional shelter, preparation and service of meals, vocational and educational counseling and referral to local, state or federal agencies providing medical, mental health, disability income replacement and substance abuse services, only in a facility that is in existence on January 1, 2006. The services may not include direct delivery of medical, mental health, disability income replacement or substance abuse services.¶¶

(37) For purposes of this rule a wind power generation facility includes, but is not limited to, the following system components: all wind turbine towers and concrete pads, permanent meteorological towers and wind measurement devices, electrical cable collection systems connecting wind turbine towers with the relevant power substation, new or expanded private roads (whether temporary or permanent) constructed to serve the wind power generation facility, office and operation and maintenance buildings, temporary lay-down areas and all other necessary appurtenances, including but not limited to on-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a wind power generation facility. Such facilities must be removed or converted to an allowed use under section (19) or other statute or rule when project construction is complete. Temporary workforce housing facilities not included in the initial approval may be considered through a minor amendment request filed after a decision to approve a power generation facility. A minor amendment request shall be subject to section (5) and shall have no effect on the original approval. A proposal for a wind power generation facility shall be subject to the following provisions:¶¶

(a) For high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10), the governing body or its designate must find that all of the following are satisfied:¶¶

(A) Reasonable alternatives have been considered to show that siting the wind power generation facility or component thereof on high-value farmland soils is necessary for the facility or component to function properly or if a road system or turbine string must be placed on such soils to achieve a reasonably direct route considering the following factors:¶¶

(i) Technical and engineering feasibility;¶¶

(ii) Availability of existing rights of way; and¶¶

(iii) The long term environmental, economic, social and energy consequences of siting the facility or component on alternative sites, as determined under paragraph (B);¶¶

(B) The long-term environmental, economic, social and energy consequences resulting from the wind power generation facility or any components thereof at the proposed site with measures designed to reduce adverse impacts are not significantly more adverse than would typically result from the same proposal being located on other agricultural lands that do not include high-value farmland soils;¶¶

(C) Costs associated with any of the factors listed in paragraph (A) may be considered, but costs alone may not be the only consideration in determining that siting any component of a wind power generation facility on high-value farmland soils is necessary;¶¶

(D) The owner of a wind power generation facility approved under subsection (a) shall be responsible for restoring, as nearly as possible, to its former condition any agricultural land and associated improvements that are damaged or otherwise disturbed by the siting, maintenance, repair or reconstruction of the facility. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the owner of the facility from requiring a bond or other security from a contractor or otherwise imposing on a contractor the responsibility for restoration; and¶¶

(E) The criteria of subsection (b) are satisfied.¶¶

(b) For arable lands, meaning lands that are cultivated or suitable for cultivation, including high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10), the governing body or its designate must find that:¶¶

(A) The proposed wind power facility will not create unnecessary negative impacts on agricultural operations conducted on the subject property. Negative impacts could include, but are not limited to, the unnecessary construction of roads, dividing a field or multiple fields in such a way that creates small or isolated pieces of property that are more difficult to farm, and placing wind farm components such as meteorological towers on lands in a manner that could disrupt common and accepted farming practices;¶¶

(B) The presence of a proposed wind power facility will not result in unnecessary soil erosion or loss that could limit agricultural productivity on the subject property. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a soil and erosion control plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual, showing how unnecessary soil erosion will be avoided or remedied and how topsoil will be stripped, stockpiled and clearly marked. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval;¶¶

(C) Construction or maintenance activities will not result in unnecessary soil compaction that reduces the productivity of soil for crop production. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual, showing how unnecessary soil compaction will be avoided or remedied in a timely manner through deep soil decompaction or other appropriate practices. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval; and¶¶

(D) Construction or maintenance activities will not result in the unabated introduction or spread of noxious weeds and other undesirable weeds species. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a weed control plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual that includes a long-term maintenance agreement. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval.¶¶

(c) For nonarable lands, meaning lands that are not suitable for cultivation, the governing body or its designate must find that the requirements of paragraph (b)(D) are satisfied.¶¶

(d) In the event that a wind power generation facility is proposed on a combination of arable and nonarable lands as described in subsections (b) and (c) the approval criteria of subsection (b) shall apply to the entire project.¶¶

(38) A proposal to site a photovoltaic solar power generation facility except for a photovoltaic solar power generation facility in eastern Oregon subject to the provisions of paragraphs (44)(a)(B) and (C) shall be subject to the following definitions and provisions:¶¶

(a) "Arable land" means land in a tract that is predominantly cultivated or, if not currently cultivated, predominantly comprised of arable soils.¶¶

(b) "Arable soils" means soils that are suitable for cultivation as determined by the governing body or its designate based on substantial evidence in the record of a local land use application, but "arable soils" does not include high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10) unless otherwise stated.¶¶

(c) "Dual-use development" means developing the same area of land for both a photovoltaic solar power generation facility and for farm use.¶¶

(d) "Nonarable land" means land in a tract that is predominantly not cultivated and predominantly comprised of nonarable soils.¶¶

(e) "Nonarable soils" means soils that are not suitable for cultivation. Soils with an NRCS agricultural capability class V-VIII and no history of irrigation shall be considered nonarable in all cases. The governing body or its designate may determine other soils, including soils with a past history of irrigation, to be nonarable based on substantial evidence in the record of a local land use application.¶¶

(f) "Photovoltaic solar power generation facility" includes, but is not limited to, an assembly of equipment that converts sunlight into electricity and then stores, transfers, or both, that electricity. This includes photovoltaic modules, mounting and solar tracking equipment, foundations, inverters, wiring, storage devices and other components. Photovoltaic solar power generation facilities also include electrical cable collection systems connecting the photovoltaic solar generation facility to a transmission line, all necessary grid integration equipment, new or expanded private roads constructed to serve the photovoltaic solar power generation facility, office, operation and maintenance buildings, staging areas and all other necessary appurtenances. For purposes of applying the acreage standards of this section, a photovoltaic solar power generation facility includes all existing and proposed facilities on a single tract, as well as any existing and proposed facilities determined to be under common ownership on lands with fewer than 1320 feet of separation from the tract on which the new facility is proposed to be sited. Projects connected to the same parent company or individuals shall be considered to be in common ownership, regardless of the operating business structure. A photovoltaic solar power generation facility does not include a net metering project established consistent with ORS 757.300 and OAR chapter 860, division 39 or a Feed-in-Tariff project established consistent with ORS 757.365 and OAR chapter 860, division 84.¶¶

(g) For high-value farmland described at ORS 195.300(10), a photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall not use, occupy, or cover more than 12 acres unless:¶¶

~~(A) If the provisions of paragraph (h)(H) are satisfied; or~~¶¶

~~(B) A county adopts, and an applicant satisfies, land use provisions authorizing projects subject to a dual use development plan. Land use provisions adopted by a county pursuant to this paragraph may not allow a project in excess of 20 acres. Land use provisions adopted by the county must require sufficient assurances that the farm use element of the dual use development plan is established and maintained so long as the photovoltaic solar power generation facility is operational or components of the facility remain on site. The provisions of this subsection are repealed on January 1, 2022.~~¶

(h) The following criteria must be satisfied in order to approve a photovoltaic solar power generation facility on high-value farmland described at ORS 195.300(10).¶

(A) The proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility will not create unnecessary negative impacts on agricultural operations conducted on any portion of the subject property not occupied by project components. Negative impacts could include, but are not limited to, the unnecessary construction of roads dividing a field or multiple fields in such a way that creates small or isolated pieces of property that are more difficult to farm, and placing photovoltaic solar power generation facility project components on lands in a manner that could disrupt common and accepted farming practices;¶

(B) The presence of a photovoltaic solar power generation facility will not result in unnecessary soil erosion or loss that could limit agricultural productivity on the subject property. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a soil and erosion control plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual, showing how unnecessary soil erosion will be avoided or remedied. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval;¶

(C) Construction or maintenance activities will not result in unnecessary soil compaction that reduces the productivity of soil for crop production. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual, showing how unnecessary soil compaction will be avoided or remedied in a timely manner through deep soil decompaction or other appropriate practices. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval;¶

(D) Construction or maintenance activities will not result in the unabated introduction or spread of noxious weeds and other undesirable weed species. This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a weed control plan prepared by an adequately qualified individual that includes a long-term maintenance agreement. The approved plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval;¶

(E) Except for electrical cable collection systems connecting the photovoltaic solar generation facility to a transmission line, the project is not located on those high-value farmland soils listed in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(a);¶

(F) The project is not located on those high-value farmland soils listed in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(b)-(e) or arable soils unless it can be demonstrated that:¶

(i) Non high-value farmland soils are not available on the subject tract;¶

(ii) Siting the project on non high-value farmland soils present on the subject tract would significantly reduce the project's ability to operate successfully; or¶

(iii) The proposed site is better suited to allow continuation of an existing commercial farm or ranching operation on the subject tract than other possible sites also located on the subject tract, including those comprised of non high-value farmland soils; and¶

(G) A study area consisting of lands zoned for exclusive farm use located within one mile measured from the center of the proposed project shall be established and:¶

(i) If fewer than 48 acres of photovoltaic solar power generation facilities have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits within the study area, no further action is necessary.¶

(ii) When at least 48 acres of photovoltaic solar power generation facilities have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits, either as a single project or as multiple facilities within the study area, the local government or its designate must find that the photovoltaic solar power generation facility will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. The stability of the land use pattern will be materially altered if the overall effect of existing and potential photovoltaic solar power generation facilities will make it more difficult for the existing farms and ranches in the area to continue operation due to diminished opportunities to expand, purchase or lease farmland, acquire water rights, or diminish the number of tracts or acreage in farm use in a manner that will destabilize the overall character of the study area.¶

(H) A photovoltaic solar power generation facility may be sited on more than 12 acres of high-value farmland described in ORS 195.300(10)(f)(C) without taking an exception pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4, provided the land:¶

(i) Is not located within the boundaries of an irrigation district;¶

(ii) Is not at the time of the facility's establishment, and was not at any time during the 20 years immediately preceding the facility's establishment, the place of use of a water right permit, certificate, decree, transfer order or ground water registration authorizing the use of water for the purpose of irrigation;¶

(iii) Is located within the service area of an electric utility described in ORS 469A.052(2);¶

(iv) Does not exceed the acreage the electric utility reasonably anticipates to be necessary to achieve the

applicable renewable portfolio standard described in ORS 469A.052(3); and¶

(v) Does not qualify as high-value farmland under any other provision of law; or¶

(i) For arable lands, a photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall not use, occupy, or cover more than 20 acres. The governing body or its designate must find that the following criteria are satisfied in order to approve a photovoltaic solar power generation facility on arable land:¶

(A) Except for electrical cable collection systems connecting the photovoltaic solar generation facility to a transmission line, the project is not located on those high-value farmland soils listed in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(a);¶

(B) The project is not located on those high-value farmland soils listed in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(b)-(e) or arable soils unless it can be demonstrated that:¶

(i) Nonarable soils are not available on the subject tract;¶

(ii) Siting the project on nonarable soils present on the subject tract would significantly reduce the project's ability to operate successfully; or¶

(iii) The proposed site is better suited to allow continuation of an existing commercial farm or ranching operation on the subject tract than other possible sites also located on the subject tract, including those comprised of nonarable soils;¶

(C) No more than 12 acres of the project will be sited on high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10);¶

(D) A study area consisting of lands zoned for exclusive farm use located within one mile measured from the center of the proposed project shall be established and:¶

(i) If fewer than 80 acres of photovoltaic solar power generation facilities have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits within the study area, no further action is necessary.¶

(ii) When at least 80 acres of photovoltaic solar power generation facilities have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits, either as a single project or as multiple facilities within the study area, the local government or its designate must find that the photovoltaic solar power generation facility will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. The stability of the land use pattern will be materially altered if the overall effect of existing and potential photovoltaic solar power generation facilities will make it more difficult for the existing farms and ranches in the area to continue operation due to diminished opportunities to expand, purchase or lease farmland, acquire water rights, or diminish the number of tracts or acreage in farm use in a manner that will destabilize the overall character of the study area; and¶

(E) The requirements of paragraphs (h)(A), (B), (C) and (D) are satisfied.¶

(j) For nonarable lands, a photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall not use, occupy, or cover more than 320 acres. The governing body or its designate must find that the following criteria are satisfied in order to approve a photovoltaic solar power generation facility on nonarable land:¶

(A) Except for electrical cable collection systems connecting the photovoltaic solar generation facility to a transmission line, the project is not located on those high-value farmland soils listed in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(a);¶

(B) The project is not located on those high-value farmland soils listed in OAR 660-033-0020(8)(b)-(e) or arable soils unless it can be demonstrated that:¶

(i) Siting the project on nonarable soils present on the subject tract would significantly reduce the project's ability to operate successfully; or¶

(ii) The proposed site is better suited to allow continuation of an existing commercial farm or ranching operation on the subject tract as compared to other possible sites also located on the subject tract, including sites that are comprised of nonarable soils;¶

(C) No more than 12 acres of the project will be sited on high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10);¶

(D) No more than 20 acres of the project will be sited on arable soils;¶

(E) The requirements of paragraph (h)(D) are satisfied;¶

(F) If a photovoltaic solar power generation facility is proposed to be developed on lands that contain a Goal 5 resource protected under the county's comprehensive plan, and the plan does not address conflicts between energy facility development and the resource, the applicant and the county, together with any state or federal agency responsible for protecting the resource or habitat supporting the resource, will cooperatively develop a specific resource management plan to mitigate potential development conflicts. If there is no program present to protect the listed Goal 5 resource(s) present in the local comprehensive plan or implementing ordinances and the applicant and the appropriate resource management agency(ies) cannot successfully agree on a cooperative resource management plan, the county is responsible for determining appropriate mitigation measures; and¶

(G) If a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility is located on lands where, after site specific consultation with an Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife biologist, it is determined that the potential exists for adverse effects to state or federal special status species (threatened, endangered, candidate, or sensitive) or habitat or to big game winter range or migration corridors, golden eagle or prairie falcon nest sites or pigeon springs, the applicant shall conduct a site-specific assessment of the subject property in consultation with all appropriate state, federal, and tribal wildlife management agencies. A professional biologist shall conduct the site-specific assessment by using methodologies accepted by the appropriate wildlife management agency and shall

determine whether adverse effects to special status species or wildlife habitats are anticipated. Based on the results of the biologist's report, the site shall be designed to avoid adverse effects to state or federal special status species or to wildlife habitats as described above. If the applicant's site-specific assessment shows that adverse effects cannot be avoided, the applicant and the appropriate wildlife management agency will cooperatively develop an agreement for project-specific mitigation to offset the potential adverse effects of the facility. Where the applicant and the resource management agency cannot agree on what mitigation will be carried out, the county is responsible for determining appropriate mitigation, if any, required for the facility.¶

(k) An exception to the acreage and soil thresholds in subsections (g), (h), (i), and (j) of this section may be taken pursuant to ORS 197.732 and OAR chapter 660, division 4.¶

(l) The county governing body or its designate shall require as a condition of approval for a photovoltaic solar power generation facility, that the project owner sign and record in the deed records for the county a document binding the project owner and the project owner's successors in interest, prohibiting them from pursuing a claim for relief or cause of action alleging injury from farming or forest practices as defined in ORS 30.930(2) and (4).¶

(m) Nothing in this section shall prevent a county from requiring a bond or other security from a developer or otherwise imposing on a developer the responsibility for retiring the photovoltaic solar power generation facility.¶

(n) If ORS 469.300(11)(a)(D) is amended, the commission may re-evaluate the acreage thresholds identified in subsections (g), (i) and (j) of this section.¶

(39) Dog training classes or testing trials conducted outdoors or in farm buildings that existed on January 1, 2019, when:¶

(a) The number of dogs participating in training does not exceed 10 per training class and the number of training classes to be held on-site does not exceed six per day; and¶

(b) The number of dogs participating in a testing trial does not exceed 60 and the number of testing trials to be conducted on-site does not exceed four per calendar year.¶

(40) A youth camp may be established on agricultural land under the requirements of this section. The purpose of this section is to allow for the establishment of youth camps that are generally self-contained and located on a lawfully established unit of land of suitable size and location to limit potential impacts on nearby land and to ensure compatibility with surrounding farm uses.¶

(a) Definitions: In addition to the definitions provided for this division in OAR 660-033-0020 and ORS 92.010, for purposes of this section the following definitions apply:¶

(A) "Low impact recreational facilities" means facilities that have a limited amount of permanent disturbance on the landscape and are likely to create no, or only minimal impacts on adjacent private lands. Low impact recreational facilities include, but are not limited to, open areas, ball fields, volleyball courts, soccer fields, archery or shooting ranges, hiking and biking trails, horseback riding areas, swimming pools and zip lines. Low impact recreational facilities are designed and developed in a manner consistent with the lawfully established unit of land's natural environment.¶

(B) "Youth camp" means a facility that is either owned or leased, and is operated by a state or local government or a nonprofit corporation as defined under ORS 65.001 and is established for the purpose of providing an outdoor recreational and educational experience primarily for the benefit of persons 21 years of age and younger. Youth camps do not include a juvenile detention center or juvenile detention facility or similar use.¶

(C) "Youth camp participants" means persons directly involved with providing or receiving youth camp services, including but not limited to, campers, group leaders, volunteers or youth camp staff.¶

(b) Location: A youth camp may be located only on a lawfully established unit of land suitable to ensure an outdoor experience in a private setting without dependence on the characteristics of adjacent and nearby public and private land. In determining the suitability of a lawfully established unit of land for a youth camp the county shall consider its size, topography, geographic features and other characteristics, the proposed number of overnight participants and the type and number of proposed facilities. A youth camp may be located only on a lawfully established unit of land that is:¶

(A) At least 1,000 acres;¶

(B) In eastern Oregon;¶

(C) Composed predominantly of class VI, VII or VIII soils;¶

(D) Not within an irrigation district;¶

(E) Not within three miles of an urban growth boundary;¶

(F) Not in conjunction with an existing golf course;¶

(G) Suitable for the provision of protective buffers to separate the visual and audible aspects of youth camp activities from other nearby and adjacent lands and uses. Such buffers shall consist of natural vegetation, topographic or other natural features and shall be implemented through the requirement of setbacks from adjacent public and private lands, public roads, roads serving other ownerships and riparian areas. Setbacks from riparian areas shall be consistent with OAR 660-023-0090. Setbacks from adjacent public and private lands, public roads and roads serving other ownerships shall be 250 feet unless the county establishes on a case-by-case basis a

different setback distance sufficient to:¶

(i) Prevent significant conflicts with commercial resource management practices;¶

(ii) Prevent a significant increase in safety hazards associated with vehicular traffic on public roads and roads serving other ownerships; and¶

(iii) Minimize conflicts with resource uses on nearby resource lands;¶

(H) At least 1320 feet from any other lawfully established unit of land containing a youth camp approved pursuant to this section; and¶

(I) Suitable to allow for youth camp development that will not interfere with the exercise of legally established water rights on nearby properties.¶

(c) Overnight Youth Camp Participants: The maximum number of overnight youth camp participants is 350 participants unless the county finds that a lower number of youth camp participants is necessary to avoid conflicts with surrounding uses based on consideration of the size, topography, geographic features and other characteristics of the lawfully established unit of land proposed for the youth camp. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, a county may approve a youth camp for more than 350 overnight youth camp participants consistent with this subsection if resource lands not otherwise needed for the youth camp that are located in the same county or adjacent counties that are in addition to, or part of, the lawfully established unit of land approved for the youth camp are permanently protected by restrictive covenant as provided in subsection (d) and subject to the following provisions:¶

(A) For each 160 acres of agricultural lands predominantly composed of class I-V soils that are permanently protected from development, an additional 50 overnight youth camp participants may be allowed;¶

(B) For each 160 acres of wildlife habitat that is either included on an acknowledged inventory in the local comprehensive plan or identified with the assistance and support of Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, regardless of soil types and resource land designation that are permanently protected from development, an additional 50 overnight youth camp participants may be allowed;¶

(C) For each 160 acres of agricultural lands predominantly composed of class VI-VIII soils that are permanently protected from development, an additional 25 overnight youth camp participants may be allowed; or¶

(D) A youth camp may have 351 to 600 overnight youth camp participants when:¶

(i) The tract on which the youth camp will be located includes at least 1,920 acres; and¶

(ii) At least 920 acres is permanently protected from development. The county may require a larger area to be protected from development when it finds a larger area necessary to avoid conflicts with surrounding uses.¶

(E) Under no circumstances shall more than 600 overnight youth camp participants be allowed.¶

(d) The county shall require, as a condition of approval of an increased number of overnight youth camp participants authorized by paragraphs (c)(A), (B), (C) or (D) of this section requiring other lands to be permanently protected from development, that the land owner of the other lands to be protected sign and record in the deed records for the county or counties where such other lands are located a document that protects the lands as provided herein, which for purposes of this section shall be referred to as a restrictive covenant.¶

(A) A restrictive covenant shall be sufficient if it is in a form substantially the same as the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.¶

(B) The county condition of approval shall require that the land owner record a restrictive covenant under this subsection.¶

(i) Within 90 days of the final land use decision if there is no appeal, or¶

(ii) Within 90 days after an appellate judgment affirming the final land use decision on appeal.¶

(C) The restrictive covenant is irrevocable, unless a statement of release is signed by an authorized representative of the county or counties where the land subject to the restrictive covenant is located.¶

(D) Enforcement of the restrictive covenant may be undertaken by the department or by the county or counties where the land subject to the restrictive covenant is located.¶

(E) The failure to follow the requirements of this section shall not affect the validity of the transfer of property or the legal remedies available to the buyers of property that is subject to the restrictive covenant required by this subsection.¶

(F) The county planning director shall maintain a copy of the restrictive covenant filed in the county deed records pursuant to this section and a map or other record depicting the tracts, or portions of tracts, subject to the restrictive covenant filed in the county deed records pursuant to this section. The map or other record required by this subsection shall be readily available to the public in the county planning office.¶

(e) In addition, the county may allow:¶

(A) Up to eight nights during the calendar year during which the number of overnight youth camp participants may exceed the total number of overnight youth camp participants allowed under subsection (c) of this section.¶

(B) Overnight stays at a youth camp for participants of adult programs that are intended primarily for individuals over 21 years of age, not including staff, for up to 30 days in any one calendar year.¶

(f) Facilities: A youth camp may provide only the facilities described in paragraphs (A) through (I) of this

subsection:¶¶

(A) Low impact recreational facilities. Intensive developed facilities such as water parks and golf courses are not allowed;¶¶

(B) Cooking and eating facilities, provided they are within a building that accommodates youth camp activities but not in a building that includes sleeping quarters. Food services shall be limited to those provided in conjunction with the operation of the youth camp and shall be provided only for youth camp participants. The sale of individual meals may be offered only to family members or guardians of youth camp participants;¶¶

(C) Bathing and laundry facilities;¶¶

(D) Up to three camp activity buildings, not including a building for primary cooking and eating facilities.¶¶

(E) Sleeping quarters, including cabins, tents or other structures, for youth camp participants only, consistent with subsection (c) of this section. Sleeping quarters intended as overnight accommodations for persons not participating in activities allowed under this section or as individual rentals are not allowed. Sleeping quarters may include restroom facilities and, except for the caretaker's dwelling, may provide only one shower for every five beds. Sleeping quarters may not include kitchen facilities.¶¶

(F) Covered areas that are not fully enclosed for uses allowed in this section;¶¶

(G) Administrative, maintenance and storage buildings including permanent structures for administrative services, first aid, equipment and supply storage, and a gift shop available to youth camp participants but not open to the general public;¶¶

(H) An infirmary, which may provide sleeping quarters for medical care providers (e.g., a doctor, registered nurse, or emergency medical technician);¶¶

(I) A caretaker's residence, provided no other dwelling is on the lawfully established unit of land on which the youth camp is located.¶¶

(g) A campground as described in ORS 215.283(2)(c), OAR 660-033-0120, and section (19) of this rule may not be established in conjunction with a youth camp.¶¶

(h) Conditions of Approval: In approving a youth camp application, a county must include conditions of approval as necessary to achieve the requirements of this section.¶¶

(A) With the exception of trails, paths and ordinary farm and ranch practices not requiring land use approval, youth camp facilities shall be clustered on a single development envelope of no greater than 40 acres.¶¶

(B) A youth camp shall adhere to standards for the protection of archaeological objects, archaeological sites, burials, funerary objects, human remains, objects of cultural patrimony and sacred objects, as provided in ORS 97.740 to 97.750 and 358.905 to 358.961, as follows:¶¶

(i) If a particular area of the lawfully established unit of land proposed for the youth camp is proposed to be excavated, and if that area contains or is reasonably believed to contain resources protected by ORS 97.740 to 97.750 and 358.905 to 358.961, the application shall include evidence that there has been coordination among the appropriate Native American Tribe, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and a qualified archaeologist, as described in ORS 390.235(6)(b).¶¶

(ii) The applicant shall obtain a permit required by ORS 390.235 before any excavation of an identified archeological site begins.¶¶

(iii) The applicant shall monitor construction during the ground disturbance phase(s) of development if such monitoring is recommended by SHPO or the appropriate Native American Tribe.¶¶

(C) A fire safety protection plan shall be adopted for each youth camp that includes the following:¶¶

(i) Fire prevention measures;¶¶

(ii) On site pre-suppression and suppression measures; and¶¶

(iii) The establishment and maintenance of fire-safe area(s) in which camp participants can gather in the event of a fire.¶¶

(D) A youth camp's on-site fire suppression capability shall at least include:¶¶

(i) A 1000 gallon mobile water supply that can reasonably serve all areas of the camp;¶¶

(ii) A 60 gallon-per-minute water pump and an adequate amount of hose and nozzles;¶¶

(iii) A sufficient number of firefighting hand tools; and¶¶

(iv) Trained personnel capable of operating all fire suppression equipment at the camp during designated periods of fire danger.¶¶

(v) An equivalent level of fire suppression facilities may be determined by the governing body or its designate. The equivalent capability shall be based on the response time of the effective wildfire suppression agencies.¶¶

(E) The county shall require, as a condition of approval of a youth camp, that the land owner of the youth camp sign and record in the deed records for the county a document binding the land owner, the operator of the youth camp if different from the owner, and the land owner's or operator's successors in interest, prohibiting:¶¶

(i) A claim for relief or cause of action alleging injury from farming or forest practices for which no action or claim is allowed under ORS 30.936 or 30.937;¶¶

(ii) Future land divisions resulting in a lawfully established unit of land containing the youth camp that is smaller in

size than required by the county for the original youth camp approval; and¶¶

(iii) Development on the lawfully established unit of land that is not related to the youth camp and would require a land use decision as defined at ORS 197.015(10) unless the county's original approval of the camp is rescinded and the youth camp development is either removed or can remain, consistent with a county land use decision that is part of such rescission.¶¶

(F) Nothing in this rule relieves a county from complying with other requirements contained in the comprehensive plan or implementing land use regulations, such as the requirements addressing other resource values (e.g. resources identified in compliance with statewide planning Goal 5) that exist on agricultural lands.¶¶

(i) If a youth camp is proposed to be developed on lands that contain a Goal 5 resource protected under the county's comprehensive plan, and the plan does not address conflicts between youth camp development and the resource, the applicant and the county, together with any state or federal agency responsible for protecting the resource or habitat supporting the resource, will cooperatively develop a specific resource management plan to mitigate potential development conflicts consistent with OAR chapter 660, divisions 16 and 23. If there is no program to protect the listed Goal 5 resource(s) included in the local comprehensive plan or implementing ordinances and the applicant and the appropriate resource management agency cannot successfully agree on a cooperative resource management plan, the county is responsible for determining appropriate mitigation measures in compliance with OAR chapter 660, division 23; and¶¶

(ii) If a proposed youth camp is located on lands where, after site specific consultation with a district state biologist, the potential exists for adverse effects to state or federal special status species (threatened, endangered, candidate, or sensitive) or habitat, or to big game winter range or migration corridors, golden eagle or prairie falcon nest sites, or pigeon springs), the applicant shall conduct a site-specific assessment of the land in consultation with all appropriate state, federal, and tribal wildlife management agencies. A professional biologist shall conduct the site-specific assessment by using methodologies accepted by the appropriate wildlife management agency and shall determine whether adverse effects to special status species or wildlife habitats are anticipated. Based on the results of the biologist's report, the site shall be designed to avoid adverse effects to state or federal special status species or to wildlife habitats as described above. If the applicant's site-specific assessment shows that adverse effects cannot be avoided, the applicant and the appropriate wildlife management agency will cooperatively develop an agreement for project-specific mitigation to offset the potential adverse effects of the youth camp facility. Where the applicant and the resource management agency cannot agree on what mitigation will be carried out, the county is responsible for determining appropriate mitigation, if any, required for the youth camp facility.¶¶

(iii) The commission shall consider the repeal of the provisions of subparagraph (ii) on or before January 1, 2022.¶¶

(i) Extension of Sewer to a Youth Camp. A Goal 11 exception to authorize the extension of a sewer system to serve a youth camp shall be taken pursuant to ORS 197.732(1)(c), Goal 2, and this section. The exceptions standards in OAR chapter 660, division 4 and OAR chapter 660, division 11 shall not apply. Exceptions adopted pursuant to this section shall be deemed to fulfill the requirements for goal exceptions under ORS 197.732(1)(c) and Goal 2.¶¶

(A) A Goal 11 exception shall determine the general location for the proposed sewer extension and shall require that necessary infrastructure be no larger than necessary to accommodate the proposed youth camp.¶¶

(B) To address Goal 2, Part II(c)(1), the exception shall provide reasons justifying why the state policy in the applicable goals should not apply. Goal 2, Part II(c)(1) shall be found to be satisfied if the proposed sewer extension will serve a youth camp proposed for up to 600 youth camp participants.¶¶

(C) To address Goal 2, Part II(c)(2), the exception shall demonstrate that areas which do not require a new exception cannot reasonably accommodate the proposed sewer extension. Goal 2, Part II(c)(2) shall be found to be satisfied if the sewer system to be extended was in existence as of January 1, 1990 and is located outside of an urban growth boundary on lands for which an exception to Goal 3 has been taken.¶¶

(D) To address Goal 2, Part II(c)(3), the exception shall demonstrate that the long term environmental, economic, social, and energy consequences resulting from the proposed extension of sewer with measures to reduce the effect of adverse impacts are not significantly more adverse than would typically result from the same proposal being located in areas requiring a goal exception other than the lawfully established unit of land proposed for the youth camp. Goal 2, Part II(c)(3) shall be found to be satisfied if the proposed sewer extension will serve a youth camp located on a tract of at least 1,000 acres.¶¶

(E) To address Goal 2, Part II(c)(4), the exception shall demonstrate that the proposed sewer extension is compatible with other adjacent uses or will be so rendered through measures designed to reduce adverse impacts. Goal 2, Part II(c)(4) shall be found to be satisfied if the proposed sewer extension for a youth camp is conditioned to comply with section (5) of this rule.¶¶

(F) An exception taken pursuant to this section does not authorize extension of sewer beyond what is justified in the exception.¶¶

(j) Applicability: The provisions of this section shall apply directly to any land use decision pursuant to ORS 197.646 and 215.427(3). A county may adopt provisions in its comprehensive plan or land use regulations that establish standards and criteria in addition to those set forth in this section, or that are necessary to ensure compliance with

any standards or criteria in this section.¶¶

(41) Equine and equine-affiliated therapeutic counseling activities shall be conducted in existing buildings that were lawfully constructed on the property before January 1, 2019, or in new buildings that are accessory, incidental, and subordinate to the farm use on the tract. All individuals conducting therapeutic or counseling activities must act within the proper scope of any licenses required by the state.¶¶

(42)(a) A determination under ORS 215.213(11) or 215.283(4) that an event or activity is incidental and subordinate' requires consideration of any relevant circumstances, including the nature, intensity, and economic value of the respective farm and event uses, that bear on whether the existing farm use remains the predominant use of the tract.¶¶

(b) A determination under ORS 215.213(11)(d)(A) or 215.283(4)(d)(A) that an event or activity is necessary to support' either the commercial farm uses or commercial agricultural enterprises in the area means that the events are essential in order to maintain the existence of either the commercial farm or the commercial agricultural enterprises in the area.¶¶

(43) As used in ORS 215.213(2)(e) or 215.283(2)(c), a private park' means an area devoted to low-intensity, outdoor, recreational uses for which enjoyment of the outdoors in an open space, or on land in its natural state, is a necessary component and the primary focus.¶¶

(44)(a) A county may review a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility on agricultural land in eastern Oregon under one of the following three alternatives:¶¶

(A) A county may review a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility on agricultural land under section (38).¶¶

(B) If a county has not adopted a program under OAR 660-023-0195, the county may review a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility on agricultural land located in eastern Oregon under the provisions of subsections (b) through (n) of this section; or¶¶

(C) If a county has adopted a program under the provisions of OAR 660-023-0195, a county may review a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility on agricultural land located in eastern Oregon.¶¶

(b) A proposal to site a photovoltaic solar power generation facility under paragraph (a)(B) is subject to the following definitions and provisions:¶¶

(A) "Arable land" means land in a tract that is predominantly cultivated or, if not currently cultivated, predominantly comprised of arable soils.¶¶

(B) "Arable soils" means soils that are suitable for cultivation as determined by the governing body or its designate based on substantial evidence in the record of a local land use application, but "arable soils" does not include high-value farmland soils described at ORS 195.300(10) unless otherwise stated.¶¶

(C) "Eastern Oregon" means that portion of the State of Oregon lying east of a line beginning at the intersection of the northern boundary of the state and the western boundary of Wasco County, thence southerly along the western boundaries of the counties of Wasco, Jefferson, Deschutes and Klamath to the southern boundary of the state.¶¶

(D) "High-value farmland means land described in ORS 195.300(10).¶¶

(E) "Nonarable land" means land in a tract that is predominantly not cultivated and predominantly comprised of nonarable soils.¶¶

(F) "Nonarable soils" means soils that are not suitable for cultivation. Soils with an NRCS agricultural capability class V-VIII and no history of irrigation shall be considered nonarable in all cases. The governing body or its designate may determine other soils, including soils with a past history of irrigation, to be nonarable based on substantial evidence in the record of a local land use application.¶¶

(G) "Photovoltaic solar power generation facility" includes, but is not limited to, an assembly of equipment that converts sunlight into electricity and then stores, transfers, or both, that electricity. This includes photovoltaic modules, mounting and solar tracking equipment, foundations, inverters, wiring, storage devices and other components. Photovoltaic solar power generation facilities also include electrical cable collection systems connecting the photovoltaic solar generation facility to a transmission line, all necessary grid integration equipment, new or expanded private roads constructed to serve the photovoltaic solar power generation facility, office, operation and maintenance buildings, staging areas and all other necessary appurtenances, including but not limited to on-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a photovoltaic solar power generation facility. For purposes of applying the acreage standards of this section, a photovoltaic solar power generation facility includes all existing and proposed facilities on a single tract, as well as any existing and proposed facilities determined to be under common ownership on lands with fewer than 1320 feet of separation from the tract on which the new facility is proposed to be sited. Projects connected to the same parent company or individuals shall be considered to be in common ownership, regardless of the operating business structure. A photovoltaic solar power generation facility does not include a net metering project established consistent with ORS 757.300 and OAR chapter 860, division 39 or a Feed-in-Tariff project established consistent with ORS 757.365 and OAR chapter 860, division 84.¶¶

(c)(A) If an applicant files an application for a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility pursuant to OAR 660-033-0130(45)(a)(B), a county must process the application unless a county has either:¶¶

(i) Approved a program for significant solar photovoltaic resource areas under the provisions of OAR 660-023-0195; or¶¶

(ii) Taken action through the county elected body, either prior to, or after the effective date of this rule, that declines to consider photovoltaic solar power generation facilities under paragraph (a)(B).¶¶

(B) A county may choose to consider photovoltaic solar power generation facilities under paragraphs (a)(A) or (C).¶¶

(d) A county may approve a photovoltaic solar power generation facility under paragraph (a)(B) as follows:¶¶

(A) On high-value farmland that qualifies for an exemption pursuant to the provisions of subparagraph (D)(vii) and that is not otherwise limited by the provisions of subparagraph (D)(vi), the facility may not use, occupy, or cover more than 160 acres not including lands devoted to temporary workforce housing.¶¶

(B) On arable land, the photovoltaic solar power generation facility may not use, occupy, or cover more than 1,280 acres not including lands devoted to temporary workforce housing.¶¶

(C) On non-arable land, the photovoltaic solar power generation facility may not use, occupy, or cover more than 1,920 acres not including lands devoted to temporary workforce housing.¶¶

(D) Notwithstanding paragraphs (A) through (C), a county may not approve a photovoltaic solar power generation facility under paragraph (a)(B) on land that is:¶¶

(i) Significant Sage-Grouse Habitat described at OAR 660-023-0115(6)(a) and (b). The county may refine the exact location of Significant Sage-Grouse Habitat during consideration of a specific photovoltaic solar power generation facility but must consult with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW).¶¶

(ii) Priority Wildlife Connectivity Areas (PWCA's) as designated by ODFW that do not qualify under OAR 660-023-0195(4) (j)(D).¶¶

(iii) High Use and Very High Use Wildlife Migration Corridors designated by ODFW. The county may refine the exact location of high use and very high use wildlife mitigation corridors during consideration of a specific photovoltaic solar power generation facility but must consult with ODFW.¶¶

(iv) Wildlife habitat characterized by ODFW as Category 1 based on field data provided by the applicant and developed in consultation with ODFW. The county may refine the exact location and characterization of Category 1 wildlife habitat during consideration of a specific photovoltaic solar power generation facility but must ~~must~~ consult with ODFW.¶¶

(v) On lands included within Urban Reserve Areas acknowledged pursuant to OAR chapter 660, division 21.¶¶

(vi) Soils that are irrigated or not irrigated and NRCS classified as prime, unique, Class I or Class II, unless such soils make up no more than five percent of a proposed photovoltaic solar site and are present in an irregular configuration or configurations that prevent them from being independently managed for farm use.¶¶

(vii) High-Value Farmland as defined at ORS 195.300(10)(c) through (f) except otherwise described in paragraphs (vi) and (viii).-¶¶

(viii) Agricultural lands protected under Goal 3 with an appurtenant water right on January 1, 2024. This subparagraph does not apply if the ability to use the appurtenant water right to irrigate subject property becomes prohibited due to a situation that is beyond the control of the water right holder including but not limited to: critical groundwater designations or other state regulatory action, reduced federal contract allocations, and other similar regulatory circumstances. If retained, the appurtenant water right has been transferred to another portion of the subject property, tract or another property and maintained for agricultural purposes. Where this paragraph does not apply then no agricultural mitigation is required.¶¶

(ix) High-Value Farmland as defined at ORS 195.300(10)(c) through (f) except otherwise described in subparagraphs (vi) and (vii).-¶¶

(x) Sites where the construction and operation of the photovoltaic solar power generation facility will result in significant adverse impacts to historic, cultural or archaeological Resources that cannot be mitigated pursuant to OAR 660-023-0195(6).¶¶

(xi) The Metolius Area of Critical State Concern identified as Area 1 and Area 2 in the management plan adopted by the Land Conservation and Development Commission, as referenced in ORS 197.416.¶¶

(e) Approval of a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility under paragraph (a)(B) is subject to the following requirements:¶¶

(A) The proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility is located in an area with the following characteristics:¶¶

(i) Topography with a slope that is predominantly 15 percent or less;¶¶

(ii) An estimated Annual Solar Utility-Scale Capacity Factor of 19 percent or greater; and¶¶

(iii) Predominantly within 10 miles of a transmission line with a rating of 69 KV or above.¶¶

(B) For a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility on high-value farmland or arable land, a study area consisting of lands zoned for exclusive farm use located within two miles measured from the exterior boundary of the subject property shall be established and:¶¶

- (i) If fewer than 320 acres of photovoltaic solar power generation facilities have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits wholly or partially within the study area, no further action is necessary.¶
- (ii) When at least 320 acres of photovoltaic solar power generation facilities have been constructed or received land use approvals and obtained building permits, either as a single project or as multiple facilities wholly or partially within the study area, the county must find that the photovoltaic solar power generation facility will not materially alter the stability of the overall land use pattern of the area. The stability of the land use pattern will be materially altered if the overall effect of existing and potential photovoltaic solar power generation facilities will make it more difficult for the existing farms and ranches in the area to continue operation due to diminished opportunities to expand, purchase or lease farmland, acquire water rights, or diminish the number of tracts or acreage in farm use in a manner that will destabilize the overall character of the study area.¶
- (C) The proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall take measures to mitigate agricultural impacts as provided in OAR 660-023-0195(5)(b)(B) and (C).¶
- (D) The proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall take measures to provide community benefits as provided in OAR 660-023-0195(7)(b).¶
- (E) The proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall mitigate potential impacts to fish and wildlife habitat pursuant to the requirements of ORS 215.446(3)(a).¶
- (F) The proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall mitigate potential impacts to historic, cultural, and archeological resources pursuant to OAR 660-023-0195(6).¶
- (G) (i) The application will demonstrate that considerations for the amount, type, and location of temporary workforce housing have been made.-This provision may be satisfied by the submittal and county approval of a workforce housing plan prepared by an individual with qualifications determined to be acceptable by the county demonstrating that such temporary housing is reasonably likely to occur.-The plan need not obligate the applicant to financially secure the temporary housing.-The approved workforce housing plan shall be attached to the decision as a condition of approval.¶
- (ii) On-site and off-site facilities for temporary workforce housing for workers constructing a photovoltaic solar power generation facility must be removed or converted to an allowed use under section (19) or other statute or rule when project construction is complete.¶
- (iii) The county may consider temporary workforce housing facilities not included in the initial approval through a minor amendment request filed after a decision to approve a photovoltaic solar power generation facility. A minor amendment request shall be subject to section (5) and shall have no effect on the original approval of the project.¶
- (H) The requirements of paragraphs (38)(h)(A) through (D) have been satisfied for proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facilities on high-value farmland and arable land, and the requirements of paragraph (h)(D) have been satisfied for proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facilities on nonarable land.¶
- (I) A county may condition approval of a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility to address other issues, including but not limited to assuring that the design and operation of the facility will promote the prevention and mitigate the risk of wildfire.¶
- (J) For a photovoltaic solar power generation facility located on arable or nonarable lands, the project is not located on arable soils unless it can be demonstrated that:¶
- (i) Siting the facility on nonarable soils present on the subject tract would significantly reduce the project's ability to operate successfully; or¶
- (ii) The proposed site is better suited to allow continuation of an existing commercial farm or ranching operation on the subject tract as compared to other possible sites also located on the subject tract, including sites that are comprised of nonarable soils;¶
- (K) For a photovoltaic solar power generation facility located on nonarable lands no more than 1,280 acres of the facility will be located on arable soils.¶
- (L) A county that receives an application for a permit under this section shall, upon receipt of the application, provide notice as required by ORS 215.446(6) and (7).-¶
- (f) Notwithstanding any other rule in this division, a county may determine that ORS 215.296 and section (5) for a proposed photovoltaic solar power generation facility are met when it finds that the applicable provisions of subsections (b) through (e) are satisfied.¶
- (g) A county shall satisfy the requirements of OAR 660-023-0195(9)(a) through (c).¶
- (h) The county has identified and attached as conditions of approval all mitigation required pursuant to this rule.¶
- (i) Any applicable local provisions have been satisfied.¶
- (j) A permit approved for a photovoltaic solar power generation facility shall be valid until commencement of construction or for six years, whichever is less.-A county may grant up to two extensions for a period of up to 24 months each when an applicant submits a written request for an extension of the development approval period prior to the expiration of the approval period.¶
- (k) A county may grant a permit described in subsection (j) a third and final extension for a period of up to 24

months if:¶

(A) An applicant submits a written request for an extension of the development approval period prior to the expiration of the second extension granted under subsection (j);¶

(B) The applicant states reasons that prevented the applicant from beginning or continuing development within the approval period; and¶

(C) The county determines that the applicant was unable to begin or continue development during the approval period for reasons for which the applicant was not responsible.¶

(l) In addition to other sources, a local government may rely on data from online mapping tools, such as that data included in the Oregon Renewable Energy Siting Assessment (ORESAs), to inform determinations made under this section.¶

(m) The county governing body or its designate shall require as a condition of approval for a photovoltaic solar power generation facility, that the project owner sign and record in the deed records for the county a document binding the project owner and the project owner's successors in interest, prohibiting them from pursuing a claim for relief or cause of action alleging injury from farming or forest practices as defined in ORS 30.930(2) and (4).¶

(n) Nothing in this section shall prevent a county from requiring a bond or other security from a developer or otherwise imposing on a developer the responsibility for retiring the photovoltaic solar power generation facility.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 197.040

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 197.040, ORS 215.213, ORS 215.275, ORS 215.282, ORS 215.283, ORS 215.301, ORS 215.448, ORS 215.459, ORS 215.705, ORS 215.449

AMEND: 660-033-0140

RULE SUMMARY: The list of dwelling types included in the definition of "residential development" at OAR 660-033-0140(6) was updated to include replacement dwellings as a result of sunset provisions in 2013 law and to conform with ORS 215.417.

CHANGES TO RULE:

660-033-0140

Permit Expiration Dates ¶¶

(1) Except as provided for in section (5) of this rule, a discretionary decision, except for a land division, made after the effective date of this division approving a proposed development on agricultural or forest land outside an urban growth boundary under ORS 215.010 to 215.293 and 215.317 to 215.438 or under county legislation or regulation adopted pursuant thereto is void two years from the date of the final decision if the development action is not initiated in that period.¶¶

(2) A county may grant one extension period of up to 12 months if:¶¶

(a) An applicant makes a written request for an extension of the development approval period;¶¶

(b) The request is submitted to the county prior to the expiration of the approval period;¶¶

(c) The applicant states reasons that prevented the applicant from beginning or continuing development within the approval period; and¶¶

(d) The county determines that the applicant was unable to begin or continue development during the approval period for reasons for which the applicant was not responsible.¶¶

(3) Approval of an extension granted under this rule is an administrative decision, is not a land use decision as described in ORS 197.015 and is not subject to appeal as a land use decision.¶¶

(4) Except for "residential development" as defined in section (6), additional one-year extensions may be authorized where applicable criteria for the decision have not changed.¶¶

(5)(a) If a permit is approved for a proposed residential development on agricultural or forest land outside of an urban growth boundary, the permit shall be valid for four years.¶¶

(b) An extension of a permit described in subsection (5)(a) of this rule is valid for two years.-A county may approve no more than five additional one-year extensions of a permit if:¶¶

(A) The applicant makes a written request for the additional extension prior to the expiration of the extension;¶¶

(B) The applicable residential development statute has not been amended following the approval of the permit, except the amendments to ORS 215.750 by Oregon Laws 2019, chapter 433, section 1; and¶¶

(C) An applicable rule or land use regulation has not been amended following the issuance of the permit, unless allowed by the county, which may require that the applicant comply with the amended rule or land use regulation.¶¶

(6) As used in section (5) of this rule, "residential development" only includes the dwellings provided for under ORS 215.213(1)(g), (3) and (4), 215.283(1)(p), 215.284, 215.317, 215.705(1) to (3), 215.720, 215.740, 215.750 and 215.755 (1) and (3).

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 197.040

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 197.015~~40~~, ORS 197.040~~15~~, ORS 197.230, ORS 197.245