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Rule: Housing in Unincorporated Communities
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Comment: Please pause your proposed rule making. Oregon does not need sprawl or to cater to wealthy single investors. Oregon needs affordable worker housing inside cities and towns for the workers who have already been driven out by loose rules around owning vacation properties and second and third homes that has created the housing crisis. No justification has been provided for why this rulemaking is needed. What's your goal??? No facts have been provided about the existing conditions of any of the unincorporated communities (UCs). We have no information about the current uses, housing, rural businesses, buildable lands, water and sewage disposal systems, income ranges or ages of residents, proximity of natural areas, whether they are in or near areas of groundwater scarcity or wildfire hazard, and so much more. There are not even any maps showing the size and locations of these communities. How can LCDC make informed decisions about over 200 highly diverse UCs without this most basic of information? The draft rules are not focused on the housing needs of those who live and work in rural Oregon. Instead, they will make it easier for outside people and businesses who want to build second homes and vacation rentals and develop commercial uses that take advantage of access to nearby water or energy, but could overrun these rural areas. Please stop. More is not always better. Thank you. Paula C.