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                BEFORE THE LAND USE BOARD OF APPEALS
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                       OF THE STATE OF OREGON
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 4 1000 FRIENDS OF OREGON, and SID )
   FRIEDMAN,
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              Petitioners,
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   YAMHILL COUNTY,
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   BRIAN A. PURRONE,
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   DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION )
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        Appeal from Yamhill County.
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         F. Blair Batson and Charles Swindells, Portland, filed
    a petition for review. Charles Swindells argued on behalf
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    of petitioners 1000 Friends of Oregon and Sid Friedman.
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Celeste J. Doyle, Assistant Attorney General, Salem, filed a petition for review and argued on behalf of petitioner Department of Land Conservation and Development. With her on the brief were Theodore R. Kulongoski, Attorney General; Thomas A. Balmer, Deputy Attorney General; and Virginia L. Linder, Solicitor General.

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John C. Pinkstaff, Assistant County Counsel, McMinnville, filed the response brief and argued on behalf of respondent.

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Brian A. Purrone, Sheridan, represented himself.

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HOLSTUN, Referee; KELLINGTON, Chief Referee; SHERTON, Referee, participated in the decision.

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17 REMANDED 07/18/94

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You are entitled to judicial review of this Order. 20 Judicial review is governed by the provisions of ORS 21 197.850. 1 Opinion by Holstun.

2 NATURE OF THE DECISION

- 3 Petitioners challenge two county ordinances adopting
- 4 exceptions to Statewide Planning Goals 3 (Agricultural Land)
- 5 and 4 (Forest Lands) for 13 separate areas. 1

6 MOTION TO INTERVENE

- 7 Brian A. Purrone moves to intervene on the side of
- 8 respondent in this appeal. There is no opposition to the
- 9 motion, and it is allowed.

10 FACTS

- 11 Prior to adoption of the disputed ordinances, the 13
- 12 areas were designated "Agriculture/Forestry Large Holding,"
- 13 a plan designation acknowledged by the Land Conservation and
- 14 Development Commission (LCDC) as complying with Goals 3 and
- 15 4. The parcels within those 13 areas were zoned EF-40, an
- 16 exclusive farm use zone acknowledged as complying with Goal
- 17 3, or AF-20, a mixed farm and forest zone acknowledged as
- 18 complying with Goals 3 and 4. Under these plan and zoning
- 19 designations, minimum lot sizes are 20 or 40 acres, and
- 20 residential development of any existing or newly created
- 21 parcels must satisfy the standards applicable to resource or

¹Ordinance No. 561 adopts exceptions for Areas 1, 3, 9, 25, 29, 31/34 and 42. Ordinance No. 562 adopts exceptions for Areas 41, 43, 44, 54 and 64. Petitioners 1000 Friends of Oregon and Sid Friedman (hereafter 1000 Friends) challenge both ordinances. Petitioner Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) challenges only Ordinance No. 562.

- 1 nonresource dwellings. See ORS 215.213; 215.283; 215.284;
- 2 OAR 660-06-027; 660-33-120 through 660-33-135.
- 3 The challenged ordinances adopt exceptions to Goals 3
- 4 and 4 and change the plan designation for the subject areas
- 5 to "Agriculture/Forestry Small Holding." This plan
- 6 designation is not acknowledged as complying with Goals 3
- 7 and 4. The ordinances change the zoning of the subject
- 8 areas to AF-10, a rural residential zoning district. As now
- 9 planned and zoned, the parcels within the 13 disputed areas
- 10 may be divided into parcels as small as 10 acres and such
- 11 new parcels and any legally created existing parcels may be
- 12 developed with a single family residence without complying
- 13 with statutes, LCDC administrative rules and county
- 14 restrictions on allowing resource or nonresource related
- 15 dwellings on farm or forest land.
- 16 Petitioners contend the exceptions adopted by the
- 17 county for these 13 areas are inadequate and the county,
- 18 therefore, may not plan and zone those areas in a manner
- 19 that will permit rural residential development not otherwise
- 20 permissible under Goals 3 and 4.
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- 22 FIRST ASSIGNMENT OF ERROR (DLCD)
- 23 FIRST ASSIGNMENT OF ERROR (1000 FRIENDS)
- 24 A. Introduction
- 25 1. General Findings
- The findings adopted by the county in support of the 13
- 27 exception areas at issue in this appeal are lengthy. Both

- 1 of the challenged ordinances include identical findings
- 2 applicable to all of the areas for which each ordinance
- 3 approves an exception (general findings). The general
- 4 findings set out the applicable criteria for "physically
- 5 developed" and "irrevocably committed" exceptions. See OAR
- $6 \quad 660-04-025$ and 660-04-028. The general findings also
- 7 explain the county's view that the disputed exceptions may
- 8 be approved because the areas have been developed or
- 9 irrevocably committed to a point that "commercial" farm and
- 10 forest use is impracticable. Record 4-5, 56-57.
- 11 As discussed more fully below, petitioners challenge
- 12 the county's assumption that it need not consider whether
- 13 noncommercial farm and forest uses are practicable, in
- 14 approving physically developed or irrevocably committed
- 15 exceptions to Goals 3 and 4.

2. Specific Findings

- 17 The general findings are followed by findings for each
- 18 of the disputed 13 areas (specific findings). The format
- 19 and approach followed in the specific findings is similar
- 20 for each of the 13 areas.
- 21 The specific findings first set out certain basic facts
- 22 about each of the 13 areas, including the size of the area,
- 23 the number of separate parcels and ownerships, the land use,
- 24 development, ownership and zoning characteristics of the
- 25 area and whether developed parcels were developed before or
- 26 after the statewide planning goals were adopted. The

- 1 specific findings also describe the land use characteristics
- 2 of the lands surrounding each area.
- 3 The specific findings then address LCDC rule
- 4 requirements and provide an analysis for each area. The
- 5 specific findings addressing LCDC rule requirements and
- 6 providing an analysis of those requirements for Area 1 are
- 7 set out below:

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8 "B. Administrative Rule Provisions and Analysis

- "1. [The findings discuss the rule requirements for 'physically developed' exceptions. See OAR 660-04-025.]
- "2. Existing Features
 - "Structures: Four dwellings were constructed prior to adoption of the [Statewide Planning Two of these dwellings are located Goals]. near the southeast corner of the study area. other two dwellings are near northwest and northeast corner of the study Three other dwellings were placed by various land use approvals that made findings against the goals. These three dwellings are to the north, south, and center of the study area but are not included in the analysis of parcels that are 'physically developed.'
 - "Roads: The study area contains three roads. first is Mountain qoTRoad The intersects near the south of the study area. The other two are Brooks and Ellis Lanes which both meander through the area provide local access to the existing subdivision lots.
- "Sewer, Water and Utility Facilities: Sewer service is provided by individual on-site septic systems. Water is supplied by groundwater supplies. Phone and electrical service are generally available in the area.

"3. Oregon Administrative Rule 660-04-028(2) and (6) list the exception requirements for land irrevocably committed to other uses. These rules require consideration of the following factors:

"Characteristics of the Exception Area: The majority of the area contains small farm and rural residential uses. The small farm uses appear to consist of pasture. Some Christmas trees that are found on the northern parcels in the study area have been allowed to grow beyond a marketable age.

"Characteristics of Adjacent Lands: The parcels to the north are in Washington County and appear to have small farms and rural residences as their primary use. This is similar to the land in Yamhill County. The neighboring land contains farms on lots of between 20 to 80 acres. These farms include orchards, Christmas trees, poultry, and pastureland.

"Relationship between Exception Area Adjacent Land: The most apparent difference between the study area and adjacent land is the presence of a developed roadway that serves the parcels. Small parcels also exist in the study area but four of these are part of a contiguous ownership that totals 23.5 acres. Smaller lots exist in the study area but substandard lots are also common throughout the Chehalem Mountains area. the aerial photo and site visits the study area does not appear to be significantly different from the surrounding area.

"Existing Adjacent Uses: [Parcels in the surrounding area appear to be in residential, forestry and farm uses.]

"Existing Public Facilities and Services: See Finding B.2.

"Parcel Size and Ownership Pattern, Study Area/Adjacent Land: Existing lots in the

study area vary from one to 15.8 acres. The only contiguous ownership is 23.5 acres. Ten of the twelve parcels involved are in separate ownership. Parcels immediately adjacent to the study area are between 10 to 22 acres. Parcels in the surrounding area vary from five to 80 acres with the majority from 20 to 40 acres.

"Neighborhood and Regional Characteristics: The study area is located in the Chehalem Mountains. The characteristics of the neighborhood are small farm, small forest and rural residential uses. Although there are some parcels of over 80 acres, the majority of parcels with farm uses are from 20 to 40 acres.

"Natural and Man-Made Features/Impediments: Four radio towers exist near the southwest corner of the study area. The towers are located in an area zoned PWS * * *.

"Physical Development: See Finding B.2.

"Other Relevant Factors: This study area contains 12 parcels. Of these, 10 are in separate ownership. OAR 660-04-028(6)(c)(B) states that small parcels do not themselves constitute irrevocable commitment. However, small parcels in separate ownerships are more likely to be irrevocably committed if the parcels are developed, clustered in a large group or around a road designed to serve the parcels. The latter description the study area. Three parcels identified by tax lots 2100, 2200, and 2300 were all created after adoption of the Statewide Planning Goals. All three of these parcels have dwellings constructed. parcels were considered for elimination from the study area, but due to the parcels all being less than the minimum lot size, their existing development and proximity established roads, these parcels determined to be irrevocably committed to residential use.

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1 "CONCLUSIONS

- 2 "1. The study area has 12 parcels in 10 separate ownerships.
- 4 "2. Seven of the parcels contain dwellings. Four of these were placed prior to adoption of the statewide planning goals.
- 7 "3. The study area contains a roadway developed to serve all of the existing parcels.
- 9 "4. The area contains one contiguous ownership of over 20 acres.
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12 "PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION

"[T]he Planning Commission reviewed the study
area and determined that because of the poor
soils and testimony that this was not good
farm ground the area should be forwarded to
the Board of Commissioners for exception to
the Statewide Planning Goals.

19 "BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S ACTION

"[T]he Board 2.0 of Commissioners 21 unanimously to approve this study area for 22 exception to the Statewide Planning Goals and 23 change the plan] designation 24 Agriculture/Forestry Small Holding." 65-69. 25

B. Failure to Identify Goals

- 27 Petitioner 1000 Friends argues the county erred by
- 28 failing to identify whether it was taking an exception to
- 29 Goal 3, Goal 4 or both.
- In both of the challenged ordinances, the county
- 31 "concludes that the case for an exception to Statewide
- 32 Planning Goal 3 (Agricultural Land) and Goal 4 (Forest

- 1 Lands) has been substantiated." Record 10, 62. The
- 2 ordinances make it clear the county has adopted exceptions
- 3 to both Goals 3 and 4.
- 4 This subassignment of error is denied.

5 C. Failure to Specify Type of Exception

- 6 All parties recognize the focus required under the
- 7 applicable rules for physically developed and irrevocably
- 8 committed exceptions is different. The focus for physically
- 9 developed exceptions is on the parcel or area that is the
- 10 subject of the exception, whereas the focus of an
- 11 irrevocably committed exception is generally, but not
- 12 exclusively, on uses on adjacent lands. See Denison v.
- 13 Douglas County, 101 Or App 131, 789 P2d 1388 (1990). While
- 14 the focus and relevant factors differ, irrevocably committed
- 15 exceptions may include physically developed lands (OAR 660-
- 16 04-028(5)) and physical development within the exception
- 17 area is one of the relevant factors for approving an
- 18 irrevocably committed exception. OAR 660-04-028(6)(f).
- 19 Petitioners argue the county's findings fail to specify
- 20 whether the disputed exceptions are "physically developed"
- 21 exceptions, governed by OAR 660-04-025, or irrevocably
- 22 committed exceptions, governed by OAR 660-04-028.
- 23 We believe the specific findings make it sufficiently
- 24 clear that the challenged exceptions are based on both
- 25 physical development and irrevocable commitment. As
- 26 indicated earlier, the specific findings for each area

- 1 follow the same format. The specific findings for each area
- 2 include a section B(1) setting out the rule requirements for
- 3 physically developed exceptions. That section is followed
- 4 by a section B(2), entitled "Existing Features," which for
- 5 each area identifies dwellings constructed prior to adoption
- 6 of the statewide planning goals and existing roads in the
- 7 area. We understand sections B(1) and B(2) of the findings
- 8 as identifying certain portions of the exception area that
- 9 the county believes are "physically developed."²
- 10 The specific findings for each area also include a
- 11 section B(3) where the county sets out the factors to be
- 12 considered for an irrevocably committed exception and
- 13 findings addressing each of those factors.
- We conclude the county's findings adequately state that
- 15 irrevocably committed exceptions are approved for the
- 16 disputed areas and that those irrevocably committed
- 17 exception areas include some lands that qualify for
- 18 physically developed exceptions.
- 19 C. Commercial Farm Use and Commercial Forest Use
- ORS 197.732(1) provides "[a] local government may adopt
- 21 an exception to a goal when:
- 22 "(a) The land subject to the exception is
- 23 physically developed to the extent that it is

 $^{^2}$ We address the adequacy of the county's findings to demonstrate compliance with the criteria for a physically developed exception below. The only issue presented in this subassignment of error is whether the county adequately identified the "types" of exceptions it approved.

- no longer available for <u>uses allowed by the</u> applicable goal; [or]
- 3 "(b) The land subject to the exception 4 irrevocably committed as described bу 5 commission rule to uses not allowed by the 6 because existing applicable goal adjacent uses and other relevant factors make uses 7 8 allowed by the applicable goals 9 impracticable[.]"
- 10 The county's general findings explain that the detailed analysis contained in the specific findings is based on a 11 12 study conducted by the county. The purpose of that study was to identify areas of the county that are impacted by 13 various factors, so that "commercial" farm or forest use of 14 those areas is impracticable. The challenged decision does 15 16 not explain exactly what the county means by "commercial" 17 farm or forest use. In its brief, respondent argues the county's definition of commercial farm use "is the same as 18 used in Goal 3 and is consistent with the Goal 3 Rules." 19 14. OAR 660-33-020(2)(a)20 Respondent's Brief defines 21 "commercial agricultural enterprise" as consisting of "farm 22 operations that will:
- "(A) Contribute in a substantial way to the area's existing agricultural economy; and
- "(B) Help maintain agricultural processors and
 established farm markets."
- 27 Respondent also cites <u>Oregonians in Action v. LCDC</u>, 121
- 28 Or App 497, 503, 854 P2d 1010, rev den 318 Or 170 (1993),
- 29 where the court upheld a LCDC periodic review order
- 30 rejecting the county's determination that farms with annual

1 gross receipts of at least \$10,000 constitute commercial 2 farms and establishing annual gross receipts of \$40,000 as 3 required to constitute a "commercial agricultural enterprise, " as that term is defined at OAR 660-05-005(2).3 4 5 is Respondent correct that the preservation of commercial agricultural and forest enterprise is a major 6 7 objective expressed in Goals 3 and 4. That objective is 8 implemented under those goals and their implementing rules, 9 in part, by requiring that new parcels be of sufficient size 10 continue "commercial" agricultural and 11 enterprises. 4 However, the clear bias under Goals 3 and 4 12 in favor of commercial agricultural and forest enterprises 13 does not mean the county may assume that noncommercial farm and forest uses are not "uses allowed by the applicable 14 15 goal" for which a proposed exception area's suitability must be considered in granting an exception. 16 DLCD v. Klamath County, 16 Or LUBA 23, 28 (1987); DLCD v. Columbia County, 17 15 Or LUBA 302, 304-05 (1987); 1000 Friends of Oregon v. 18 Douglas County, 4 Or LUBA 24, 31-32 (1981). 19

ORS 215.203(2) defines "farm use" as "the current employment of land for the primary purpose of obtaining a profit in money by [engaging in certain listed agricultural

³OAR Chapter 660, Division 5 was repealed August 7, 1993. LCDC's current Goal 3 rule appears at OAR Chapter 660, Division 33.

 $^{^4\}text{OAR}$ 660-33-100 establishes minimum parcel size requirements for EFU zoned lands. OAR 660-06-026 establishes minimum parcel sizes for forest lands.

activities]." It may be, as respondent argues, that the 1 2 county has some latitude to set a threshold level 3 profitability for determining when property is properly viewed as capable of farm use, within the meaning of ORS 4 5 215.203. See 1000 Friends of Oregon v. Benton County, 32 Or App 413, 428-29, 573 P2d 651 (1978); 1000 Friends of Oregon 6 7 v. Douglas County, supra 4 Or LUBA at 32.5 However, we 8 reject the county's suggestion that it may establish the level of profitability necessary to qualify as a "farm use," 10 as that term is defined by ORS 215.203, at same level that 11 would qualify a farm use as a commercial agricultural 12 enterprise. The goals protect and allow farm and forest 13 uses other than commercial agricultural and forest 14 enterprises. DLCD v. Klamath County, supra; DLCD v. 15 Columbia County, supra; 1000 Friends of Oregon v. Douglas 16 County, supra.

The county here took an improperly narrow view of "uses allowed by the applicable goals," and for that reason the challenged exceptions must be remanded. On remand, the county must include consideration of noncommercial farm and forest uses allowed under Goals 3 and 4 in considering the challenged exceptions.

⁵The county's latitude to legislate on the meaning of the term "farm use" in a land use regulatory context likely would not carry over to the property taxation context. See Springer v. LCDC, 111 Or App 262, 268-69, 826 P2d 54 (1992); Newcomer v. Clackamas County, 92 Or App 174, 181, 758 P2d 369, on reconsideration 94 Or App 33 (1988)

1 This subassignment of error is sustained.⁶

D. Inadequate Explanation

- Finally, petitioners contend the findings adopted by
- 4 the county are inadequate to provide the required
- 5 explanation for why the relevant facts found by the county
- 6 led it to conclude the adopted exceptions are justified.
- 7 Makepeace v. Josephine County, 25 Or LUBA 370, 373-74
- 8 (1993); DLCD v. Josephine County, 18 Or LUBA 88, 92 (1989);
- 9 DLCD v. Douglas County, 17 Or LUBA 466, 471 (1989).
- The challenged decisions must be remanded in any event,
- 11 because the county improperly limited its consideration of
- 12 uses allowed under the goals to commercial farm and forest
- 13 uses. Therefore, we do not address petitioners' arguments
- 14 under this subassignment of error in detail.
- 15 Petitioners are correct that the county may not simply
- 16 identify houses constructed before the statewide planning

 $^{^6}$ At oral argument, petitioners suggested that all the uses allowable in EFU zones under ORS 215.213(1) and (2) and 215.283(1) and (2), including the listed nonfarm uses, are "uses allowed by the applicable goals" which must be addressed in the county's findings adopting an exception to Goal 3. However, the question of whether the county must consider nonfarm uses allowable under ORS chapter 215 and OAR Chapter 660, Division 33 in granting an exception to Goal 3 is not raised in the petition for review. Therefore, we do not reach that question. We note that even if the county were potentially required to consider suitability for such uses, OAR 660-04-028(3) provides that in adopting an irrevocably committed exception "[i]t shall not be required that local governments demonstrate that every use allowed by the applicable goal is 'impossible'." understand OAR 660-04-028(3) to provide that findings adopted in support of an irrevocably committed exception need not necessarily specifically address each and every use potentially allowable under the Goal, at least where no specific issue is raised concerning suitability for particular uses allowed by the goal. More general findings may suffice.

- 1 goals were adopted and existing roads and assume the entire
- 2 parcels affected by such development are physically
- 3 developed so that they are no longer available for uses
- 4 allowed under the goals. See Ludwick v. Yamhill County, 11
- 5 Or LUBA 281, 291 (1984), aff'd 72 Or App 224, rev den 299 Or
- 6 443 (1985). Such improvements may justify a physically
- 7 developed exception for part or all of the parcel they
- 8 occupy. However, the county may not assume such residences
- 9 and roads automatically justify a physically developed
- 10 exception for entire parcels or ownerships.
- 11 The county's findings concerning the irrevocably
- 12 committed exception factors are more lengthy and come closer
- 13 to the mark, but suffer from essentially the same defect as
- 14 the findings on physical development. As we recently
- 15 explained in 1000 Friends of Oregon v. Columbia County, ____
- 16 Or LUBA ___ (LUBA No. 94-037, July 7, 1994), slip op 3-4,
- 17 even where the findings adopted in support of an irrevocably
- 18 committed exception address all required factors and are
- 19 supported by substantial evidence, "it is still this Board's
- 20 responsibility to determine whether the findings demonstrate
- 21 compliance with * * * ORS 197.732(1)(b)."
- Respondent points out OAR 660-04-000(3) provides, in
- 23 part, that "[t]he intent of the exception process is to
- 24 permit necessary flexibility in the application of Statewide
- 25 Planning Goals." However, the ultimate legal standard for
- 26 an irrevocably committed exception in ORS 197.732(1)(b),

- Goal 2, Part II(b), and OAR 660-04-028(1) is that "uses 1 2 allowed by the applicable goal are impracticable." 3 impracticability standard is a demanding one. Board to conclude the county correctly determined the 4 5 disputed areas are irrevocably committed to uses not allowed by Goals 3 and 4, the county must adopt findings explaining 6 7 why its ultimate legal conclusion of impracticability 8 follows from the findings of fact. The specific findings 9 for Area 1, described and quoted in part supra, as well as 10 the findings for the remaining areas, fail to explain why the disputed areas are irrevocably committed to uses not 11 allowed by Goals 3 and 4. The specific findings for Area 1 12 13 identify the existence of dwellings, roads and communication 14 structures, provide information on parcelization ownerships and identify farm and forest uses occurring both 15 16 within and next to the exception area. There are no 17 findings explaining why the factual documentation provided the ultimate legal conclusion of irrevocable 18 supports commitment, and it is not obvious to us that it does. 19 conclusion that farm and forest uses allowable under Goals 3 20 21 and 4 are impracticable does not necessarily follow from the facts recited in the findings. 22 The findings for the other 23 areas also fail to provide that explanation at all or do not 24 adequately do so.
- This subassignment of error is sustained.

1 Petitioners' first assignments of error are sustained,

2 in part.

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SECOND AND THIRD ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR (1000 FRIENDS)

5 Petitioners argue the county's decision violates Goals

6 11 (Public Facilities and Services) and 14 (Urbanization) by

7 allowing potentially urban levels of residential development

8 on rural lands. See 1000 Friends of Oregon v. Curry County,

9 301 Or 447, 504-11, 724 P2d 268 (1986); Caine v. Tillamook

10 County, 22 Or LUBA 687 (1992); Parmenter v. Wallowa County,

11 21 Or LUBA 490 (1991); DLCD v. Klamath County, 19 Or LUBA

12 459 (1990); DLCD v. Curry County, 19 Or LUBA 249 (1990);

13 Hammack & Associates, Inc. v. Washington County, 16 Or LUBA

14 75, 82, 84-85, aff'd 89 Or App 40 (1987).

Respondent first argues petitioners waived this issue

16 by failing to raise it below. ORS 197.763(1); 197.835(2).

17 The statutory "raise it or waive it" requirements apply only

18 to quasi-judicial land use proceedings. We seriously doubt

19 the ordinances challenged in this appeal are correctly

20 viewed as quasi-judicial land use decisions. However, even

21 if they are, we agree with petitioners that petitioner

22 Friedman adequately raised the issue below.

23 Respondent acknowledges an exception may be required to

24 allow urban levels of development outside urban growth

25 boundaries (UGBs). However, respondent contends that under

26 OAR 660-04-010(2) exceptions are "generally not applicable"

27 to Goal 11. Moreover, respondent contends that because the

- 1 zoning applied to the subject exception areas imposes a
- 2 minimum lot size of 10 acres and the challenged decision
- 3 does not purport to allow urban levels of public facilities,
- 4 exceptions to Goals 11 and 14 are not required.
- We are inclined to agree with respondent that the 10
- 6 acre minimum lot size imposed by the zoning applied to the
- 7 disputed exception areas is sufficient to make the
- 8 residential development potentially allowable in the
- 9 disputed exception areas "rural" rather than "urban." See
- 10 1000 Friends of Oregon v. LCDC (Curry County), supra, 301 Or
- 11 at 504-06 (one house per ten acres assumed to be rural).
- 12 Similarly, we fail to see how the individual water and sewer
- 13 systems that would be required for such development could
- 14 require an exception to Goal 11. However, as petitioners
- 15 point out, under the AF-10 zoning applied to the disputed
- 16 exception areas, residential development on existing
- 17 substandard lots much smaller than 10 acres would be
- 18 possible. Several of the disputed exception areas include a
- 19 number of smaller existing undeveloped lots or parcels.
- 20 We are unable to determine with certainty whether
- 21 development under the AF-10 zoning applied to the challenged
- 22 exception areas could, for particular exception areas, allow
- 23 residential development at a density that would violate
- 24 Goals 11 and 14. Because these ordinances must be remanded
- 25 in any event, we conclude the county should address this
- 26 issue in the first instance.

- 1 The second and third assignments of error are
- 2 sustained.
- 3 FOURTH ASSIGNMENT OF ERROR (1000 FRIENDS)
- 4 Petitioners contend the local government record
- 5 includes evidence of the presence of resources protected by
- 6 Goal 5 (Open Spaces, Scenic and Historic Areas, and Natural
- 7 Resources) in two of the disputed exception areas.
- 8 Petitioners contend the county should have either applied
- 9 Goal 5 to protect those resources or adopted an exception to
- 10 Goal 5.
- 11 The county responds that under OAR 660-04-010(2)
- 12 exceptions to Goal 5 are generally not required, because
- 13 that goal contains its own procedures for resolving
- 14 conflicts between conflicting uses.
- 15 Both petitioners and respondent miss the relevant
- 16 question. If any of the subject exception areas encompass
- 17 lands included on the county's inventory of Goal 5
- 18 resources, the county must address Goal 5 in amending its
- 19 acknowledged plan and zoning designations for those
- 20 exception areas. See Urquhart v. Lane Council of
- 21 Governments, 80 Or App 176, 721 P2d 870 (1986); Waugh v.
- 22 Coos County, 26 Or LUBA 300, 310-12 (1993). On the other
- 23 hand, if none of the exceptions areas include land on the
- 24 county's acknowledged inventory of Goal 5 resources, Goal 5
- 25 need not be applied, and the county need not adopt an
- 26 exception to Goal 5. Id. The challenged decision does not

- 1 disclose whether inventoried Goal 5 resources are within the
- 2 exception areas. On remand the county must determine
- 3 whether any of the exception areas encompass lands included
- 4 on its acknowledged Goal 5 inventory, and take appropriate
- 5 action once that determination is made.
- 6 The fourth assignment of error is sustained.

7 FIFTH ASSIGNMENT OF ERROR (1000 FRIENDS)

- 8 In their final assignment of error, petitioners contend
- 9 the challenged ordinances violate LCDC's urban reserve rule,
- 10 which prohibits comprehensive plan and land use regulation
- 11 amendments that increase residential density beyond that
- 12 allowed prior to April 1992, within two miles of certain
- 13 UGBs. OAR 660-21-100(1); 660-21-080(3). Petitioners
- 14 contend Area 31/34 is within two miles of the Newberg UGB.
- Respondent cites testimony in the record suggesting
- 16 Area 31/34 is not within two miles of the Newberg UGB.
- 17 Respondent may be correct, but neither the findings nor the
- 18 evidence in the record allow us to resolve this issue.
- 19 Because the challenged ordinances must be remanded in any
- 20 event, the county should make the required determination on
- 21 remand.
- The fifth assignment of error is sustained.
- The county's decisions are remanded.