

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO: 16-05-03-04

IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING LANE
COUNTY FOREST WORK CAMP SURPLUS
PROPERTY AND DIRECTING STAFF TO
ISSUE A REQUEST FOR OFFERS

WHEREAS, Lane County holds title to a 105.7 acre property located southwest of Veneta, primarily consisting of woodlands and of improvements related to its former use as a Forest Work Camp ("FWC") for inmates in custody of the Lane County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the FWC property has been closed and unused since 2008 due to lack of funds for its operation; and neither the County nor its Sheriff's Office has or reasonably expects sufficient funding to operate the FWC at any time in the future; and

WHEREAS, the County is obliged to expend considerable amounts of money and staff time to maintain the current use and protect the property from damage, while the improvements are deteriorating from lack of funding to maintain the facilities; and

WHEREAS, the FWC property is located in an area zoned as an Important Forest Land District, and the current land use approval for a non-conforming use that includes "rehabilitation programs/services and forest management programs separate from correctional purposes" will expire on March 19, 2017, unless a compatible use is commenced by that time; and

WHEREAS, while it is possible that uses may exist for the property that might provide some measure of public benefit and yet relieve the County of the burden on its resources, the character, location, and restrictions on the property may practically preclude such uses; and

WHEREAS, if no alternative offers are received that would effectively relieve the County of its burden of ownership, then sale of the property or transfer of ownership to a public agency or qualified party under ORS 271.330 would be in the best interests of the citizens of Lane County;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County **ORDERS** as follows:

1. That the 105.7 acre property generally known as the Forest Work Camp, and as more particularly recorded by the County Assessor as Tax Lot 19-07-25-00-00700, is surplus property not needed for County purposes;
2. That the County invite offers from all parties for purchase, long-term lease, or transfer of the property; and
3. That any and all offers received be reviewed by County staff for responsiveness and presented to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of May, 2016.



Chair, Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 5/2/2016 Lane County

OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL