# Intergovernmental Agreement Between Metro and Multnomah County To Adopt Urban and Rural Reserves

This Agreement is entered into by and between Metro and Multnomah County pursuant to ORS 195.141 and 190.003 to 190.110 for the purpose of agreeing on the elements of an ordinance to be adopted by Metro designating Urban Reserves and of an ordinance to be adopted by Multnomah County designating Rural Reserves, all in Multnomah County.

### **PREFACE**

This agreement will lead to the designation of Urban Reserves and Rural Reserves. Designation of the Urban and Rural Reserves by this agreement will help accomplish the purpose of the 2007 Oregon Legislature in enacting Senate Bill 1011, now codified in ORS 195.137 to 195.145 ("the statute"):

Facilitate long-term planning for urbanization in the region that best achieves

- Livable communities;
- Viability and vitality of the agricultural and forest industries; and
- Protection of the important natural landscape features that define the region.

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, Metro and Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas Counties ("the four governments") have declared their mutual interest in long-term planning for the three-county area in which they exercise land use planning authority to achieve the purpose set forth in the statute; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Legislature enacted the statute in 2007, at the request of the four governments and many other local governments and organizations in the region and state agencies, to establish a new method to accomplish the goals of the four governments through long-term planning; and

WHEREAS, the statute authorizes the four local governments to designate Urban Reserves and Rural Reserves to accomplish the purposes of the statute, which are consistent with the goals of the four governments; and

WHEREAS, the Land Conservation and Development Commission ("LCDC") adopted rules to implement the statute on January 25, 2008, as directed by the statute; and

WHEREAS, the statute and rules require the four governments to work together in their joint effort to designate reserves and to enter into formal agreements among them to designate reserves in a coordinated and concurrent process prior to adoption of ordinances adopting reserves; and

WHEREAS, the statute and the rules set forth certain factors to be considered in the designation of reserves, and elements to be included in ordinances adopting reserves; and

WHEREAS, the four governments have followed the procedures and considered the factors set forth in the statute and the rule; and

WHEREAS, the four governments have completed an extensive and coordinated public involvement effort; and

WHEREAS, the four governments have coordinated their efforts with cities, special districts, school districts and state agencies in the identification of appropriate Urban and Rural Reserves;

NOW, THEREFORE, Metro and Multnomah County agree as follows:

#### AGREEMENT

- A. Metro agrees to consider the following policies and Urban Reserve designations at a public hearing and to incorporate them in the Regional Framework Plan, or to incorporate them as revised pursuant to subsections 3 and 4 of section C of this agreement:
- 1. A policy that designates as Urban Reserves those areas shown as proposed Urban Reserves on Exhibit A, attached to this agreement, or on any amendment to Exhibit A pursuant to section C of this agreement.
- 2. A policy that determines that the Urban Reserves designated by the Regional Framework Plan pursuant to this agreement are intended to provide capacity for population and employment between 2010 and 2060, a total of 50 years from the date of adoption of the ordinance designating the reserves.
- 3. A policy that gives highest priority to Urban Reserves for future addition to the urban growth boundary (UGB).
- 4. A map depicting the Urban Reserves adopted by Metro and the Rural Reserves adopted by Multnomah County following this agreement.
- 5. A policy that Metro will not add Rural Reserves designated by ordinance following this agreement to the regional UGB for 50 years.
- 6. A policy that Metro will not designate Rural Reserves as Urban Reserves for 50 years.
- 7. A policy that Metro will require a "concept plan", the required elements of which will be specified in the Urban Growth Management Functional Plan in consultation with the county, for an area of Urban Reserves under consideration for addition to the UGB to be completed prior to the addition. Concept plans shall include elements on finance, provision of infrastructure, natural resource protection, governance, the planning principles set forth in Exhibit B and other subjects critical to the creation of great

- communities. Concept plans will provide that areas added to the UGB will be governed and planned by cities prior to urbanization.
- 8. A policy that Metro will review the designations of Urban and Rural Reserves, in coordination with Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties, 20 years after the adoption of reserves by the local governments pursuant to this agreement, unless the four governments agree to review the reserves sooner.
- B. **Multnomah County agrees** to consider the following policies and Rural Reserve designations at a public hearing and to incorporate them in its Comprehensive Plan, or to incorporate them as revised pursuant to subsections 3 and 4 of section C of this agreement:
- 1. A policy that designates as Rural Reserves the areas shown as proposed Rural Reserves on Exhibit A, attached to this agreement, or on any amendment to Exhibit A pursuant to section C of this agreement.
- 2. A map depicting the Rural Reserves designated by the Comprehensive Plan and the Urban Reserves adopted by Metro following this agreement.
- 3. A policy that Multnomah County will not include Rural Reserves designated pursuant to this agreement in the UGB of any city in the county for 50 years from the date of adoption of the ordinance designating the reserves.
- 4. A policy that Multnomah County will not re-designate Rural Reserves as Urban Reserves in the county for 50 years from the date of adoption of the ordinance designating the reserves.
- 5. A policy that commits Multnomah County, together with an appropriate city, to participation in development of a concept plan for an area of Urban Reserves under consideration for addition to the UGB.
- 6. A policy that the county will review the designations of Urban and Rural Reserves, in coordination with Metro and Clackamas and Washington Counties, 20 years after the adoption of reserves by the four governments pursuant to this agreement, unless the four governments agree to review the reserves sooner.
- C. Multnomah County and Metro agree to follow this process for adoption of the ordinances that will carry out this agreement:
- 1. Each government will hold at least one public hearing on its draft ordinance prior to its adoption.
- 2. Metro and the county will hold their final hearings and adopt their ordinances no later than June 8, 2010.
- 3. If testimony at a hearing persuades Metro or Multnomah County that it should revise its ordinance in a way that would make it inconsistent with this agreement, then it shall

continue the hearing and propose an amendment to the agreement to the other party and to Clackamas and Washington Counties.

- 4. If Multnomah County or Metro proposes an amendment to the agreement, the party proposing the agreement will convene the four governments to consider the amendment. Any objections or concerns raised by a government that is not party to this IGA shall be considered carefully and the four governments shall take reasonable, good faith steps to reach consensus on the amendment. After this consultation, Multnomah County and Metro may agree to an amendment.
- 5. Metro and Multnomah County will adopt a common set of findings, conclusions and reasons that explain their designations of Urban Reserves and Rural Reserves as part of their ordinances adopting the reserves. Metro and the county will incorporate maps into their respective plans that show both the Urban and Rural Reserves in Exhibit A to this agreement, with the county showing only the reserves in the county.
- 6. Metro and Multnomah County will establish, in coordination with Clackamas and Washington Counties, a process for making minor revisions to boundaries between Urban Reserves and undesignated land that can be made at the time of concept planning, and a process for making minor additions to Rural Reserves, with notice to, but without convoking all four reserves partners.
- 7. Within 45 days after adoption of the last ordinance adopting reserves of the four governments, Multnomah County and Metro will submit their ordinances and supporting documents to LCDC in the manner of periodic review.

**METRO** 

D. This agreement terminates on December 31, 2060.

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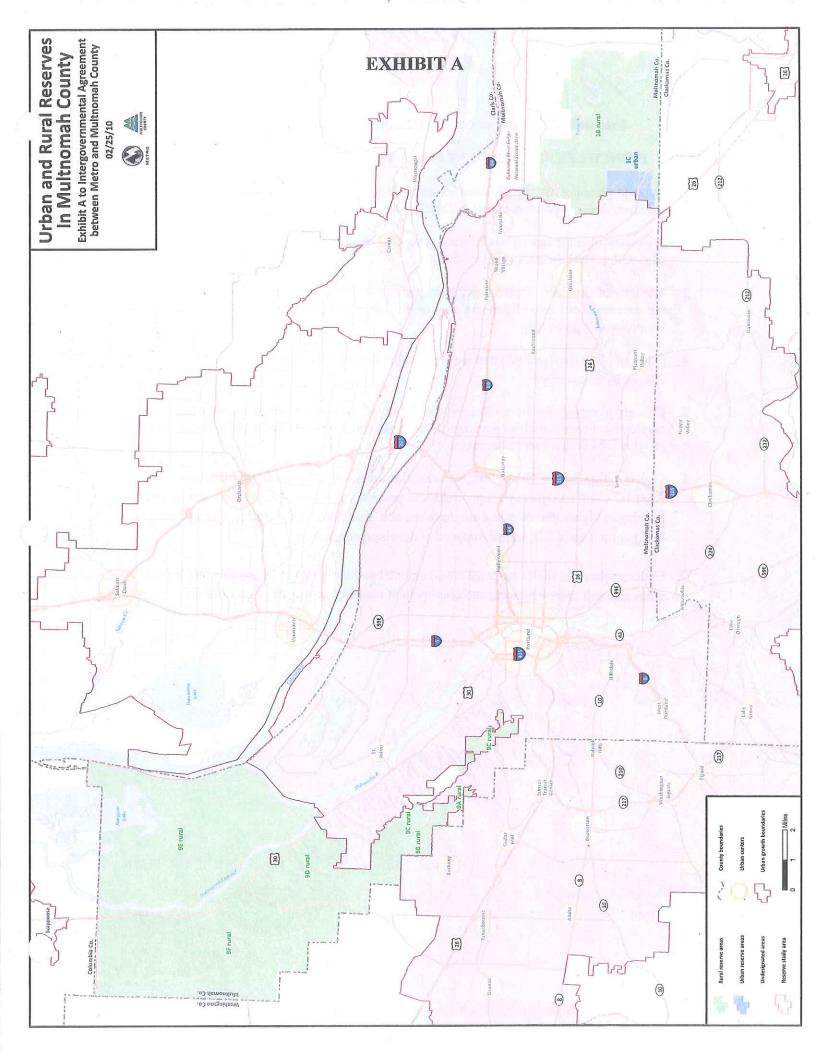
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Dated:

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MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Approved as to form:



## **EXHIBIT B**

## Exhibit B to Agreement between Metro and Multnomah County

# PRINCIPLES FOR CONCEPT PLANNING OF URBAN RESERVES

- 1. Concept planning for specific, enumerated Urban Reserves on the Urban and Rural Reserves map may occur separately and at different times.
- 2. A concept plan for any Urban Reserve area must be approved by the county, the city or cities who will govern the area, and by Metro.
- 3. The City of Gresham shall be invited to participate in concept planning of Urban Reserve in the area south of Lusted Road and west of SE 302<sup>nd</sup>, identified as Area 1C (Clackanomah) on the regional reserve map.
- 4. Concept plans shall provide that any area added to the UGB shall be governed by an existing city, or by a new city.
- 5. Concept planning for Urban Reserve areas that are suitable for industrial and other employment uses such as portions of Clackanomah will recognize the opportunity to provide jobs in this part of the region.
- 6. Concept planning for Urban Reserve areas that are suitable for a mix of urban uses such as Area 1C will recognize the opportunity to provide employment and mixed- use centers with housing at higher densities and employment at higher floor-to-area ratios, and will include designs for a walkable, transit-supportive development pattern.
- 7. Concept planning shall recognize environmental and topographic constraints and habitat areas and will reduce housing and employment capacity expectations accordingly.