

Senate Bill 634

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SUMMARY

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Modifies priority of land for inclusion within urban growth boundary.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to priority of land for inclusion within urban growth boundary; creating new provisions;
3 and amending ORS 197.298.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 197.298 is amended to read:

6 197.298. (1) In addition to any requirements established by rule addressing urbanization, land
7 may not be included within an urban growth boundary except under the following priorities:

8 (a) First priority is land that:

9 (A) Is designated urban reserve land under ORS 195.145, rule or metropolitan service district
10 action plan.

11 (B) **Is adjacent to the urban growth boundary, zoned for exclusive farm use and owned**
12 **by the State of Oregon after being acquired from the federal government.**

13 (b) If land under paragraph (a) of this subsection is inadequate to accommodate the amount of
14 land needed, second priority is land adjacent to an urban growth boundary that is identified in an
15 acknowledged comprehensive plan as an exception area or nonresource land. Second priority may
16 include resource land that is completely surrounded by exception areas unless such resource land
17 is high-value farmland as described in ORS 215.710.

18 (c) If land under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection is inadequate to accommodate the
19 amount of land needed, third priority is land designated as marginal land pursuant to ORS 197.247
20 (1991 Edition).

21 (d) If land under paragraphs (a) to (c) of this subsection is inadequate to accommodate the
22 amount of land needed, fourth priority is land designated in an acknowledged comprehensive plan
23 for agriculture or forestry, or both.

24 (2) Higher priority shall be given to land of lower capability as measured by the capability
25 classification system or by cubic foot site class, whichever is appropriate for the current use.

26 (3) Land of lower priority under subsection (1) of this section may be included in an urban
27 growth boundary if land of higher priority is found to be inadequate to accommodate the amount
28 of land estimated in subsection (1) of this section for one or more of the following reasons:

29 (a) Specific types of identified land needs cannot be reasonably accommodated on higher priority
30 lands;

31 (b) Future urban services could not reasonably be provided to the higher priority lands due to
32 topographical or other physical constraints; or

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (c) Maximum efficiency of land uses within a proposed urban growth boundary requires inclusion
2 of lower priority lands in order to include or to provide services to higher priority lands.

3 **SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 197.298 by section 1 of this 2009 Act apply to land**
4 **included within an urban growth boundary on or after the effective date of this 2009 Act.**

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