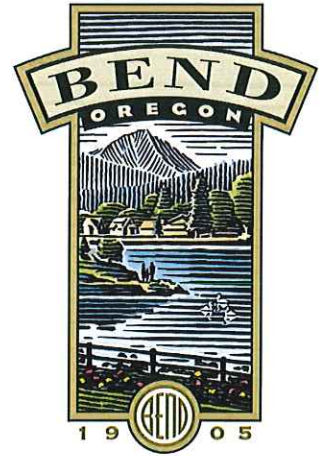


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RE: Support for HB 3282 – Sequential Approvals for UGBs



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The City of Bend is providing this testimony in support of HB 3282. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

JIM CLINTON
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HB 3282 provides an opportunity for a city completing work on a potential UGB amendment to seek acknowledgement of its work products sequentially. Currently, when a city and a county submit a proposed UGB amendment to the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) for review, the entire package of required materials is submitted at once. This package includes buildable lands inventories, need or opportunity analyses, and the evaluation of alternative boundary locations. A remand of the entire package can be based the Department and/or the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) finding one standard was not met.

SALLY RUSSELL
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VICTOR CHUDOWSKY
City Councilor

HB 3282 provides a logical sequence through which a city can obtain Department acknowledgement of one product, before submitting the next for review. It provides the opportunity for a city to prepare the inventory of buildable lands and the requisite need or opportunity analysis (depending on whether it's focused on needed housing or economic opportunities), and the estimated land need for these uses as one product. The bill provides the opportunity to submit this product for review, acknowledgement, or remand, and complete this work before proceeding to the stage of addressing this need through changes in zoning inside the UGB, a UGB amendment, or some combination of the two.

DOUG KNIGHT
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HB 3282 allows a community going through the UGB process to first establish land need and settle this manner before proceeding to the process of deciding how to address the need. This allows the city to proceed in a manner that involves fewer steps than in a periodic review process. Finally, it provides the opportunity to settle land need before proceeding to complete the work necessary to address the need.

ERIC KING
City Manager

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify on this issue.

Sincerely,

P.P. *Erik King*
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