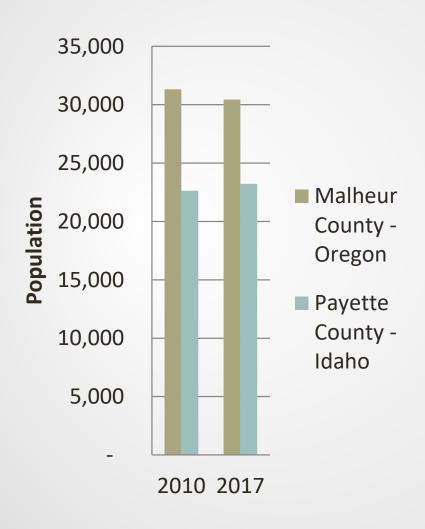
# State of Oregon House Bill 2456

Eastern Oregon Border Economic Development Board Testimony – February 7, 2019

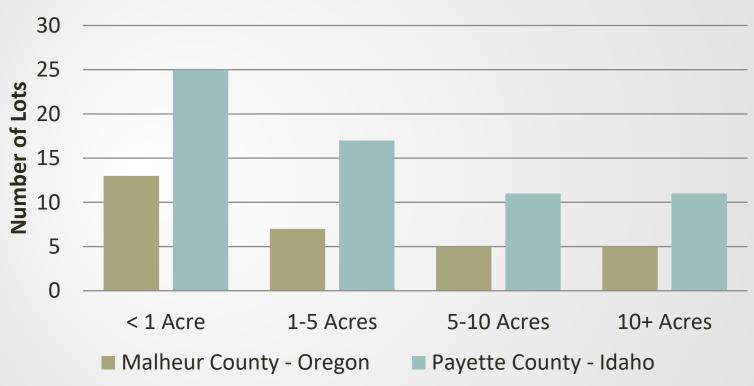
# Border Region County Comparison



- Total Land Area
  - Malheur County
    - 9,930 square miles
  - Payette County
    - 410 square miles
- 2017 Population Per Square Mile
  - Malheur County
    - 3.07 people
  - Payette County
    - 56.62 people

# **Current Inventory County Comparison**

#### **Border Region Land for Sale Comparison**



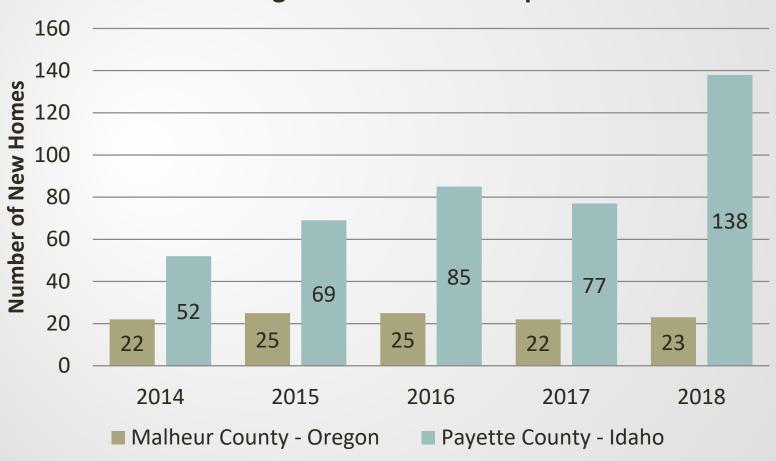
#### **January 2019 Homes for Sale Comparison**

Malheur County = 48 homes

Payette County = 60 homes

### New Home Construction County Comparison





# Call to Action

- Key takeaways for committee ---
  - The Border Region is unable to meet demand for rural residential housing.
  - This negatively impacts economic development, workforce attraction and retention, and tax base stability.
  - We live in the shadow of Idaho's booming growth and are at a tremendous disadvantage, made possible in large part by the relatively lax policies and regulations espoused in that state.