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January 5, 2022

To: City of Salem Planning Division
555 Liberty Street SE
Room 305
Salem, OR 97301
ATTN: Aaron Panko, Planner III

RE: Subdivision Case No. SUB21-09 - Request For Denial-Part II

Friends of Marion County is an independent 501(c)(3) farmland protection organization founded in 1998. Our mission is to protect farm and forestland, parks, and open space in Marion County.

We oppose and request denial of the phased subdivision tentative plan to divide approximately 29.68 acres into 139 single family lots ranging in size from 4,000 square feet to 3.64 acres in two phases of development located at 4540 Pringle Rd SE, Salem OR 97302. SW1/4 NW1/4 SECTION 11, T. 8S, R. 3W, W.M.

FARMING IN THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT, CONT'D

In addition to the Zenger and Luscher urban farms mentioned in our comments submitted on 1/3/2022¹ there are additional urban farms in and around other cities that now provide to those communities what the Meyer Family Farm can bring to the City of Salem. Here are some examples:

2) Mudbone Grown Farm, <https://www.mudbonegrown.com>, is operated by Oregon Food Bank in Portland: 7900 NE 33rd Dr, Portland, OR 97211²

OREGON FIELD GUIDE: By Jule Gilfillan (OPB)

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"Mudbone Grown reimagines Black farming in Oregon. Portland couple nourishes deep roots of faith and community through farming enterprise."

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Indigo Gardens specializes in wholesale gift flowers with deliveries.

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5) Rossi Farms in NE Portland, <http://www.rossifarms.com>, is located at 3839 NE 122nd Ave, Portland, OR 97230⁵

"Rossi Farms, a fifth generation active farm in Portland, OR since 1880. If you are looking for produce please be aware that we closed our retail farm stand in 2015. We recommend visiting our neighbors at Grower's Outlet on 161st & Glisan for fresh fruit and veggies."

Our farm is available to rent for festivals, corporate, and private events whose proceeds help benefit the local community and Parkrose High School athletic programs. Farm is shown by appointment only - fill out our contact form to schedule a viewing!"

6) Fields Farm in Bend, <https://fields.farm>, is located at 61915 Pettigrew Rd, Bend, OR 97702⁶

"We are a 10 acre vegetable farm located in Bend, Oregon, only a few miles from downtown. We are a community supported agriculture (CSA) farm."

We have been growing produce for the local market since 1989. Fields Farm is a sustainable farm using pesticide free, soil building methods. Fields Farm has a CSA and Farm Bucks program. We also sell at the Bend Farmer's Market, local grocery stores and several restaurants. We grow a wide range of vegetables including arugula, asparagus, beans, beets, brussel sprouts, specialty broccolis and cauliflowers, cabbage, carrots, collards, corn, cucumbers, garlic, greens, lettuce and lettuce mix, kale, kohlrabi, leeks, peppers, potatoes, onions, scallions, summer squash and tomatoes. We have 10 varieties of potatoes, garlic, kale and lettuce mix in larger quantities for store and institutional sales."

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7) Nella Mae's Farm, <https://nellamaesfarm.com>, is located in Cove at 69361 Antles Rd, Cove, OR 97824⁷

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Find our produce seasonally on menus at local restaurants including Mamacita's International Grill, Ten Depot Street, Wine Down, and Local Harvest in La Grande, Oregon and Geiser Grand Hotel restaurants and Latitude 45 Grille in Baker City, Oregon."

These 6 examples of urban farming can create a template for the future use of the Meyer Family Farm and help the City of Salem create a space for urban farming here. Please deny this application for the subdivision.

LET'S KEEP SALEM GROWING IN THE RIGHT WAY!

Thanks for listening.

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Mudbone Grown reimagines Black farming in Oregon



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Portland couple nourishes deep roots of faith and community through farming enterprise

Not everyone would choose a career that involves endless days of hard, physical work, virtually no vacation and dismisses the possibility of ever retiring. But in 2015, that's just what Shantae Johnson and Arthur Shavers did when they decided to become farmers.



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grandmother raised chickens and sold berries and vegetables from a seven-acre farm in Oregon City.

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Shavers' grandparents moved from their farm in Texas to Portland, where his grandfather found work in the World War II shipbuilding boom, while his grandmother grew food for their 11 children as well as the local community.

Moved by the dream that they could revive their families' farming roots and raise their kids in a more rural setting, the couple quit their jobs and enrolled in Oregon State University's [Beginning Urban Farming Apprenticeship Program](#) to learn market farming.

Shavers remembers their apprenticeship classmates' reaction to the plan.

"They were like, 'So you're telling me you don't have any land. You both quit your jobs. You have six kids between the two of you and you think you're going to be a farmer in the city? ...Full time?'" Shavers laughs at the memory. "And I was like, 'Yeah, that's exactly what we think.'"

Their absolute faith was rewarded when just as soon as they finished the program, the [Oregon Food Bank](#) agreed to lend them a small plot of land in North Portland to start their own farm business.



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Shantae Johnson of Mudbone Grown with a harvest of fresh broccoli

Jule Gilfillan

They called their enterprise [Mudbone Grown](#) (after Shavers' nickname "Mudbone") and began digging up the grants and partnerships to grow it. Their first season's harvest supplied 20 local families with fresh produce for 13 weeks. Then in partnership with the Oregon Food Bank, they launched a [stipend-supported program to train young farmers of color](#). From the beginning, their goal was much higher than just growing food.

"It's a lofty goal," Johnson admits. "But we really want to reimagine what it looks like to be a Black farmer here in Oregon, specifically."



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encountered here since before Oregon even became a state.

While attending a farming conference a few years ago, Shavers began perusing the various display tables and noticed that many families owned farms of more than 2,000 acres. The wheels in Shavers' mind began to turn.

"I literally pulled my phone out and just started Googling the families' names and their farms. And it occurred to me, we're sitting in this room with all these people, we're working on an acre and a half of borrowed land from the Oregon Food Bank and these families are in here with thousands of acres. And I just started wondering, *how did they get that much?*"

Oregon's racist history

A good part of the answer can be traced back to the nineteenth century.

[The Oregon Donation Land Act of 1850](#) codified the rights of "white male citizens and their wives" to claims of 640 acres of "public" land granted to them by the future state's provisional government in 1843. Blacks were excluded by virtue of being neither "white" nor "citizens."

"To get free land you had to be a citizen," explains [Darrell Millner](#), Professor Emeritus and former Black Studies Department Chair at Portland State University. Millner characterizes the barriers to Black land ownership as "complicated."

"According to the [U.S. Supreme Court Dred Scott decision of 1857](#), Blacks could not be a citizen and furthermore had no rights and no access to the courts," he says.

Though Oregon elected not to become a slave state, its constitution excluded Blacks from settling here ([Article XVIII, Section 4](#)):

No free negro or mulatto, not residing in this State at the time of the adoption of this constitution, shall ever come, reside or be within this State.

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says Millner.

“Those laws, while important, are not the MAIN reason more Blacks did not come (here). The main reason is that most Blacks at the time were enslaved!” Millner wrote in an email. “Slaves don’t get to make that kind of decision as to where they might want to live.

“What the exclusion laws did do very effectively was DETER the few blacks who might have come to Oregon from making that decision in the first place knowing what those laws revealed about the racial environment they would find in Oregon should they get here.”

The state’s Black exclusion policy was repealed in 1926, but the impact of both the laws and racist sentiments still show up in Oregon today.

Less than one tenth of one percent

Compiled from U.S. Department of Agriculture and Oregon Census of Agriculture data, a [2017 OSU Extension fact sheet](#) revealed that 96.7% of Oregon’s farm producers were white. The numbers showed that of the state’s 67,595 farm producers, only 64 were Black.



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For Shavers and Johnson, the connection between Oregon’s racist history and the 21st-century land ownership patterns they saw at the farm conference was “eye-opening.”

“When you look at land, that’s how people build generational wealth,” Johnson explains. “So, when some of the white farmers can say that ‘I’m fifth-generation farmer, I’m a sixth-generation farmer,’ that farm was passed down from family member to family member. And here in Oregon, you don’t nearly hear that at all for Black farmers. And so even though our families have farming experience, they did not have access to big plots of land like that and it was not passed down to us. And that’s the reality for many young beginning Black farmers here.”



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Oregon's agricultural lands are not sold to industrial or out-of-state interests, but instead put into the hands of the state's Black and other small-scale farmers.

"We need things that we can consume and feed ourselves with. So, there's got to be some effort around that, and I believe it's happening right now."



Shantae Johnson (left) snaps a selfie with the farm crew at Mudbone Grown's Feed 'Em Freedom Farm

Shantae Johnson

Johnson agrees: "I do believe that there is a great opportunity to change that narrative starting now. But we do need to get behind helping Black farmers gain access to land and the infrastructure they need to establish their farms in order to change that narrative."

To those ends, Shavers and Johnson are working with the [Black Oregon Land Trust](#) and the [Black Food Fund](#). Among BOLT's aims is the creation of cultural easements where Black farmers can access land to grow food, build community and practice culture. The Black Food Fund is engaged in bringing capital to Black participation in Pacific

Northwest food systems. In practical terms, that means fostering investment in infrastructure projects like building greenhouses, cold storage and commercial kitchens, as well as the labor to accomplish these projects.

Reconnection through the land

In 2018, the couple secured a long-term lease on a 19-acre property near Corbett. Since then, they've built an access road, a greenhouse, installed irrigation, laid the foundation for aquaponic production and put about eight acres under food cultivation. They also partnered with the local Veterans Administration to host a "[Boots 2 Roots](#)" program to teach vets how to build their own farm businesses and started the "[Pathways to Farming](#)" program to train young farmers of color.

By 2020, the Mudbone Grown farming operation had overcome many of the bureaucratic barriers rooted in systemic racism. But Johnson and Shavers also recognized the need to confront the psychic wounds to which many African



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“There’s a lot of historical trauma that people have around farming, and there’s a lot of people pushing away from that. A lot of younger people that are like, *Well, I don’t want to be out in the field. I don’t want to do that type of work.* But it is honorable work,” Johnson explains. “And in reconnecting community to farming and growing food, it’s like you’re helping to activate a seed in a way and kind of waking that up within people.”



Arthur Shavers of Mudbone Grown

Courtesy of Mudbone Grown

For Shavers, these past five years living close to the land are proof of it.

“There’s a weird thing that happens to me like, I could go through a day, have all kind of challenges, struggles, you know, my body aches. ...But what I find incredible is that when I wake up the next day, sometimes I have to try really hard to remember what were the things that really would bother me the day before? Because I wake up every day refreshed, ready to start again. And I don’t know if that’s just because I’m enjoying this life or if this land actually does something to help. But I feel like there is something healing about sleeping under the stars, listening to these crickets and coming out and playing on this earth, micro-organisms all over me every day. I feel like it is doing something internally, and it makes me better.”

“We really love what we do. And we are going to farm probably till the day that we die.” Johnson gets emotional as she talks about her and Shavers’ love for the land, for building community and the many partnerships that have helped them realize their dream.

“We want to be an example to other people that it can be accomplished and it can be done. That’s where the reimagining happens.”

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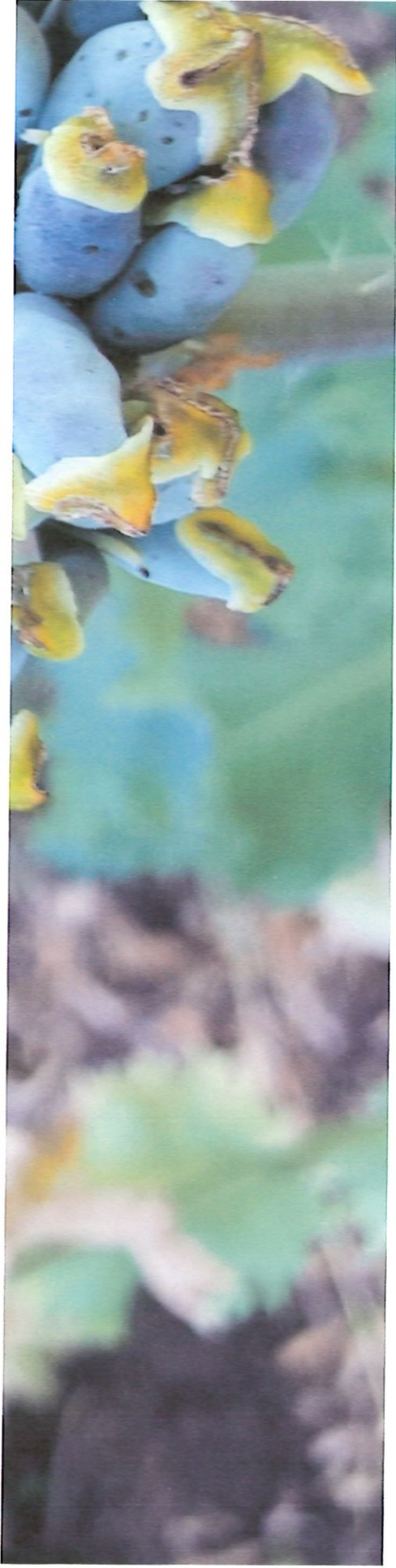


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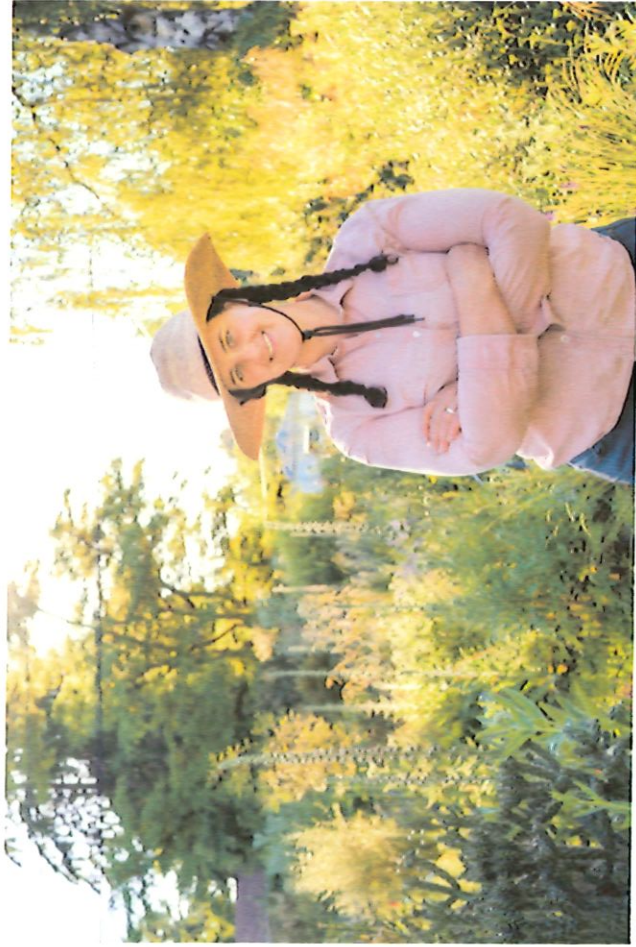
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We love plants!

Married couple, Leah and Ryan share a fascination and passion for the world of flora. They met in the gardens of the Mcmenamin's Edgefield estate, where they worked together for several years. They started their urban farm in 2013 and grow flowers and foliage for their design work and for florists throughout Portland. They are forever exploring the plant world and apply that same sense of discovery to all aspects of their farm. When they are not elbow deep in the field or studio, they are visiting botanical gardens, tinkering in the kitchen, playing instruments and likely thinking about plants.



Farmer + Florist

Leah Rose Rodgers

Inspired by the seasons and her clients, this self-taught designer takes her cues from Mother Nature. Her designs flow freely from her heart and hands.



Farmer + Plantsman

Ryan Miller

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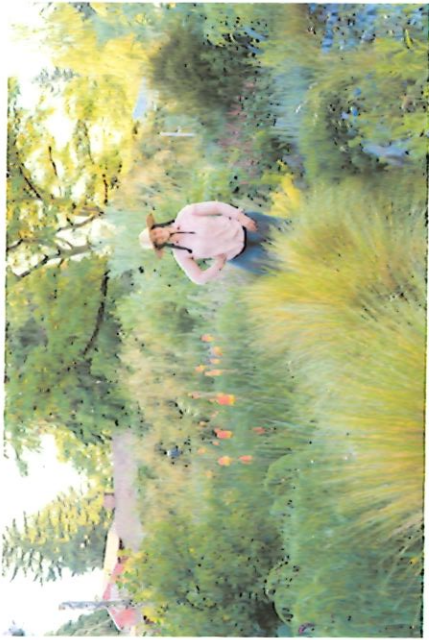
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Side Yard feeds upwards of 15,000 people per year through restaurants, Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) boxes, donations, catering, and

farm events. We are committed to continuing our work in building and fostering community resilience by providing a safe, inclusive space for all identities.







Land Acknowledgement

Side Yard Farm acknowledges the land on which we farm and occupy,

along with the ongoing issues and struggles of the Native Peoples. The Chinook people are the original stewards of the land where Side Yard resides today in NE Portland. It is a privilege to farm this land and continue to feed the community as those that did before us. Our valley is fertile because of the stewardship of tribal people tending to the soil. We are committed to sharing this land and our resources to Indigenous communities and organizations through various avenues. We also honor the Black & Brown labor that has made this country flourish and prosper; we nurture this land in honor of you. In May 2020, the Side Yard was finally able to purchase this parcel of land so that we can preserve this farm for future generations of farmers to come. We will continue to work together in solidarity to build connections, cultural diversity and lift one another up during challenging times. Join us in doing the work folx!

Check out these organizations and stay involved: NAYA, Wisdom of the Elders, Fires Igniting The Spirit, Black Food Sovereignty, Equitable Giving Circle

The Farmer & Chef

Stacey Givens is the Farmer/Chef/Owner of The Side Yard Farm & Kitchen. She grew up in Southern California as the youngest child in a big Greek family. From an early age,

she was immersed within a deep food culture, her mother and Yiayia teaching her how to grow, forage, and preserve food as women in Greece had done for generations before. Stacey gained her first experiences in the food industry at the age of fifteen working in kitchens from L.A., S.F. to Portland. She found a home and community in Portland; with her Seed-to-Plate philosophy first sprouting while working at Rocket's (now Noble Rot) rooftop garden. Driven by this deeper connection to her food and desire to create a community-centered space, she began farming on a small plot of land in the NE Cully neighborhood in 2009 and taking her Seed-to Plate concept into a full-scale catering business. Over the years, she has won the Local Hero Award, has been featured on Food Network's Chopped, TIME Magazine, NBC's Today Show and more.

In 2013, neighbors in the Cully saved the 1-acre plot of land that is now Side Yard Farm from development. Stacey has tended this land with dedicated farm crew members and volunteers. The farm has become a stunning backdrop for events and gatherings throughout the farm seasons.

In 2020, Stacey was able to purchase the land outright through a USDA loan for women farmers so she can preserve the land for future farmers. Throughout the years Stacey has been inspired by the community around The Side Yard Farm and continues to expand the Seed-to-Plate catering business, starting with the seed and ending with the seed, in the field, kitchen, and all areas in between.

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ALFONZO DEBENETTI 1860-1938

The Farm's history dates back to Alfonso Debenetti in 1880. Alfonso immigrated from Italy and farmed the area in Portland now known as Ladd's Addition. He had two daughters and one son Named Edith, Jennie and William who all worked on the farm daily with their mom and cousins. Alfonso saved his money and in 1900 bought a farm in the Parkrose, at the time way out in the country.

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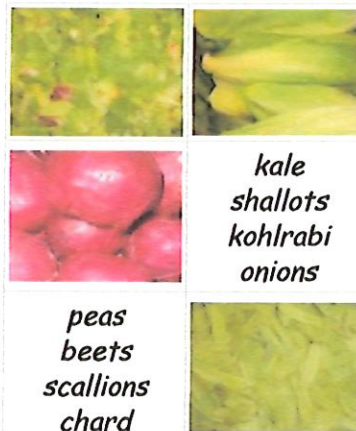


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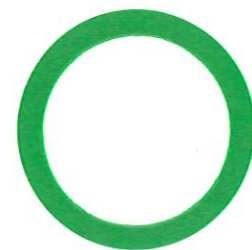
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ALFONSO DEBENETTI (1880-1950)

The Farm's history dates back to Alfonso Debenetti in 1880. Alfonso immigrated from Italy and farmed the area in Portland now known as Ladd's Addition. He had two daughters and one son named Edith, Jennie and William who all worked on the farm daily with their mom and cousins. Alfonso saved his money and in 1900 bought a farm in the Park rose, at the time way out in the country.



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January 3, 2022

To: City of Salem Planning Division
555 Liberty Street SE
Room 305
Salem, OR 97301
ATTN: Aaron Panko, Planner III

RE: Subdivision Case No. SUB21-09 - Request For Denial

Friends of Marion County is an independent 501(c)(3) farmland protection organization founded in 1998. Our mission is to protect farm and forestland, parks, and open space in Marion County.

We oppose and request denial of the phased subdivision tentative plan to divide approximately 29.68 acres into 139 single family lots ranging in size from 4,000 square feet to 3.64 acres in two phases of development located at 4540 Pringle Rd SE, Salem OR 97302. SW1/4 NW1/4 SECTION 11, T. 8S, R. 3W, W.M.

BRIEF HISTORY OF MEYER FAMILY FARM

The Meyer Family Farm has a 70+ year history as a working farm within the Salem city limits. The farm is not quite eligible as an Oregon Century Farm, but very nearly so.¹ Marion County Assessor records show an active farming operation with 2 farm buildings constructed in 1940 and others including residential buildings in 1955 and 1976.^{2,3} Farm operations are in plant sales at the Glass Barn, hay, livestock, Xmas trees, and row crops. There is a vintage barn, original homesite, new homesite, and assorted livestock barns on the property.⁴ The property was previously owned by James E. Foster within the Pringle Fruit Tract who sold chicks and plants in the 1920's.⁵

FARMING IN THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT

There are a number of farm operations located within city limits and urban growth boundaries in Oregon. The 152-acre Luscher Farm is owned by the City of Lake Oswego.⁶ The 24-acre Zenger Farm is a 501(c)(3) farm and wetland in the PowellHurst-Gilbert neighborhood of East Portland.⁷

Within the urban growth boundary area of the City of Salem there are a large number of farms. At the UGB boundary there are several farms on the westside of Cordon Road.

The Zenger and Luscher farm properties are examples of how cities can foster the important idea that farms are critical to our future in Oregon. In urban environments there is a lack of understanding about where our fresh food comes from. Yes, we can buy these items at grocery stores, but there's nothing like the experience of planting, fertilizing, and harvesting some of our food. We all have had the experience of a backyard garden but farming on a larger community scale is so much more fulfilling.

If you live in a city and only see farms from the window of your car or bus, you are really missing out on the experience. Whether or not you continue to pursue farming as a career the experience is inexpensive and educational. This accomplishment will bring you joy and satisfaction. When students study biology in school they will come to connect what they learn in the classroom with what they eat at the table.

For this reason we must realize the importance of preserving farms in the urban environment and support the Meyer Family Farm. The best way we can now do that in Salem is to deny this application.

Thanks for listening.

Roger Kaye, President
Friends of Marion County
P.O. Box 3274
Salem, OR 97302
rkaye2@gmail.com
503-743-4567

EXHIBITS:

- 1) Oregon Century Farm Program, sponsored by the Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education, <https://centuryfarm.oregonfb.org/>
- 2) Marion County Assessor Records, <https://mcasr.co.marion.or.us/PropertySummary.aspx?pid=586578&taxid=>
- 3) Marion County Assessor Records, <https://mcasr.co.marion.or.us/PropertySummary.aspx?pid=586579&taxid=>
- 4) Glass Barn, Vintage barn, Vintage 1940's tractor, Vintage homesite, newer homesite. livestock barn and livestock
- 5) Current Google map view of property, Older aerial view of property, Pringle Fruit Tracts, James E. Foster ad
- 6) Zenger Farm, <https://zengerfarm.org/>
- 7) Luscher Farm, <https://www.luscherfriends.org/>

NOTE: Photos of Meyer Family Farm property are used with permission.

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The Oregon Century Farm & Century Ranch Program is a statewide recognition program honoring farmers and ranchers who have worked the same land for at least 100 years. The program is administered through the Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education and is partially funded through a partnership of the Oregon Farm Bureau, Wilco, Oregon State Historic Preservation Office, & OSU Libraries' University Archives.

Since the start of the program in 1958, 1,247 farms and ranches across the state have been registered.



Oregon has one of the oldest agricultural heritage programs of this type in the entire nation.

There is also a Sesquicentennial Award for farms & ranches that have existed for 150 years or more. Forty-seven (47) farms & ranches have reached the sesquicentennial mark so far.

Successful applicants receive a certificate signed by the Governor. A durable metal road sign to identify their property as having historic Century Farm or Century Ranch status is also available. Additionally, each family is honored during a special ceremony and reception at the Oregon State Fair. A formal application process is required for properties to be considered for the program.

Applications &
Forms

**2022 Century Farm
Application (Word Format)**

**2022 Century Farm
Application (PDF fillable
format)**

**2022 Sesquicentennial
Application (Word Format)**

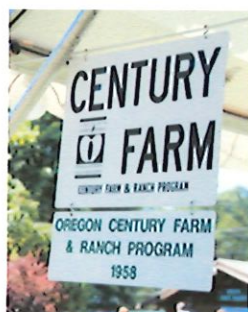
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**2021 Century Farm Family
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**2020 Century &
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For more information, contact program coordinator Andréa Kuenzi at andrea@oregonfb.org or 503-400-7884.



**2020 Century &
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Narratives (PDF Format)**

**Road Side Sign
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January 1, 2022

Property Identification

Account ID:

586578

Tax Account ID:

586578

Tax Roll Type:

Real Property

Situs Address:

4540 PRINGLE RD SE SALEM, OR 97302

Map Tax Lot:

083W11BC03000

Owner:

HENRY A MEYER RT & MEYER,TIMOTHY H TRE &
 MEYER,JOHN K TRE
 4540 PRINGLE RD SE
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Manufactured Home Details:**Other Tax Liability:**

SPEC - POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL TAX LIABILITY

Subdivision:

PRINGLE FRUIT TRACTS LOT FR TR 6-7 & 9, TR 8, FR
 VAC ST CC ORD 6-20-73

Related Accounts:

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Owner History

Grantee	Grantor	Sales Info	Deed Info
MISSING OWNERSHIP INFORMATION			7/1/1998 E12280121RD RD 586578
HENRY A MEYER RT & MEYER,TIMOTHY H TRE & MEYER,JOHN K TRE 4540 PRINGLE RD SE SALEM OR 97302			11/8/1985 12240737 RD 574836, 586578, 586579
MEYER,TIMOTHY H & MEYER,JOHN K 4540 PRINGLE RD SE SALEM OR 97302	MEYER,HENRY A & MARIAN W	10/18/1979 \$0.00 06 2	10/18/1979 12230142 RD 586578, 586579

Property Details

Property Class:

541

Levy Code Area:

24010

Zoning:

RS,RA (Contact Local Jurisdiction)

Notes:**Exemption (Begin/End):****Deferral (Begin/End):****Land/On-Site Developments Information:**

ID	Type	Acres	Sq Ft
1	004 Rural Tract 2HD TWO HILL DRY	13.86	603742
2	004 Rural Tract WOOD FARM WOODLOT	14.14	615938
3	004 Rural Tract	1.26	54886

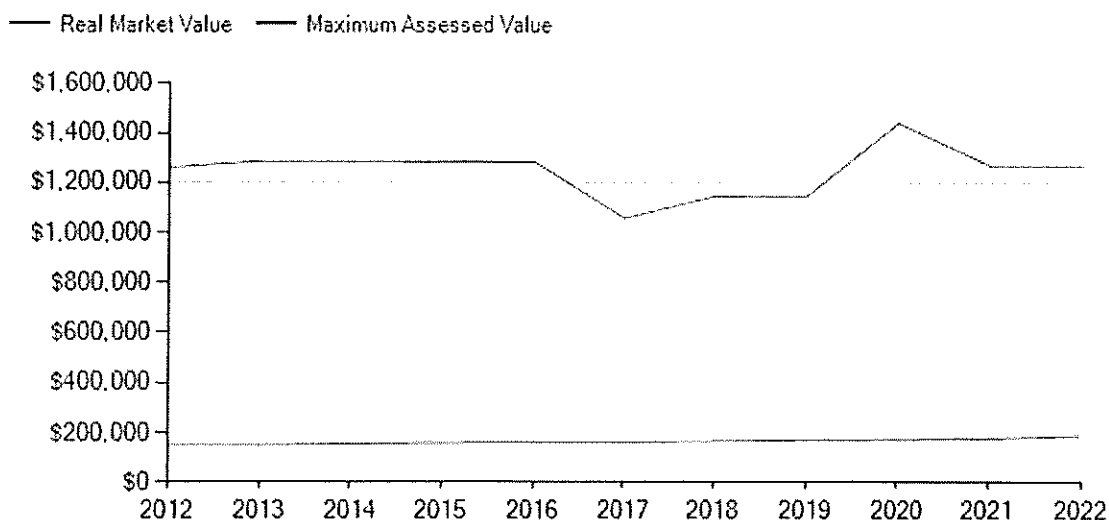
Improvements/Structures:

ID	Type	Stat CLass	Make/Model	Class	Area/Count	Year Built
1	RESIDENCE	138 Res other improvements		3	960	1976
2	FARM BLDG	332 Commercial Greenhouse (CG)		6	1980	1976
3	RESIDENCE	138 Res other improvements		3	1400	1976
4	FARM BLDG	332 Commercial Greenhouse (CG)		5	3072	
5	FARM BLDG	317 Hobby Stables (HS)		5	1040	
6	FARM BLDG	312 Loft Barn (LB)		4	960	1940
7	FARM BLDG	321 Hay Cover (HC)		4	800	
8	FARM BLDG	351 General Purpose Building (GB)		4	920	1940
9	RESIDENCE	108 Residential Other Improvements		0	5000	1955
9.1		ASPHALT DRIVEWAY			5000	1955
10	RESIDENCE	138 Res other improvements		3	240	1976

Value Information (per most recent certified tax roll)

RMV Land Market:	\$1,126,510
RMV Land Spec.	\$1,078,000
Assess.:	
RMV Structures:	\$143,510
RMV Total:	\$1,270,020
AV:	\$195,230
SAV:	\$35,850
Exception RMV:	\$0
Exemption Value:	\$0
Exemption Description:	None
M5 Taxable:	\$227,870
MAV:	\$178,520
MSAV:	\$16,710

Graph shows tax roll Real Market Value and Maximum Assessed Value of this property for past 10 years.
For a detailed explanation, please see definition of Assessed Value above (hover over the "i").



Assessment History

Year	Improvements RMV	Land RMV	Special Mkt/Use	Exemptions	Total Assessed Value
2021	\$143,510	\$1,126,510	\$1,078,000/\$16,710	None	\$195,230
2020	\$125,890	\$1,316,700	\$1,260,000/\$16,220	None	\$189,550
2019	\$124,190	\$44,100	\$980,000/\$15,750	None	\$184,040
2018	\$122,450	\$44,100	\$980,000/\$14,840	None	\$181,390
2017	\$122,030	\$40,320	\$896,000/\$14,840	None	\$177,070
2016	\$106,820	\$50,690	\$1,126,440/\$14,410	None	\$171,920
2015	\$105,820	\$50,690	\$1,126,440/\$13,980	None	\$170,490
2014	\$109,380	\$50,690	\$1,126,440/\$13,570	None	\$168,220
2013	\$108,390	\$50,690	\$1,126,440/\$11,570	None	\$161,720
2012	\$84,210	\$50,690	\$1,126,440/\$11,240	None	\$146,140

Taxes: Levy, Owed

Taxes Levied 2021-22: \$3,838.40
Tax Rate: 19.6609
Tax Roll Type: R
Current Tax Payoff Amount: \$0.00

Year	Total Tax Levied	Tax Paid
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Year	Total Tax Levied	Tax Paid
2021	\$3,838.40	\$3,838.40
2020	\$3,726.55	\$3,726.55
2019	\$3,595.69	\$3,595.69
2018	\$3,603.34	\$3,603.34
2017	\$3,269.94	\$3,269.94
2016	\$3,114.70	\$3,114.70
2015	\$3,205.36	\$3,205.36

Tax Payment History

Year	Receipt ID	Tax Paid	Discount	Interest	Amount Paid	Date Paid
2021	3878192	-\$3,838.40	\$115.15	\$0.00	\$3,723.25	11/10/2021
2020	3878192	-\$3,726.55	\$0.00	\$447.18	\$4,173.73	11/10/2021
2019	23830	-\$1,198.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,198.56	5/12/2020
2019	30806	-\$1,198.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,198.56	2/20/2020
2019	114385	-\$1,198.57	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,198.57	11/12/2019
2018	168278	-\$1,201.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,201.11	5/20/2019
2018	178747	-\$1,201.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,201.11	2/20/2019
2018	192219	-\$1,201.12	\$0.00	\$16.02	\$1,217.14	11/23/2018
2017	322474	-\$1,089.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,089.98	5/1/2018
2017	339873	-\$905.25	\$0.00	\$0.19	\$905.44	11/22/2017
2017	339874	-\$1,075.64	\$0.00	\$14.34	\$1,089.98	11/22/2017
2017	332224	-\$199.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$199.07	1/31/2018
2016	461258	-\$13.66	\$0.00	\$0.36	\$14.02	7/6/2017
2016	465185	-\$1,024.57	\$0.00	\$13.66	\$1,038.23	5/22/2017
2016	482949	-\$1,038.23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,038.23	2/2/2017
2016	487652	-\$1,038.24	\$0.00	\$13.84	\$1,052.08	12/14/2016
2015	618076	-\$1,068.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,068.45	5/16/2016
2015	631242	-\$1,068.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,068.45	2/12/2016
2015	715634	-\$1,068.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,068.46	11/9/2015

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PRINGLE FRUIT TRACTS LOT FR TRACT 9

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Property Details

Property Class:

101

Levy Code Area:

24010

Zoning:

(Contact Local Jurisdiction)

Notes:**Exemption (Begin/End):****Deferral (Begin/End):****Land/On-Site Developments Information:**

ID	Type	Acres	Sq Ft
0	On Site Development - Osd - average		
1	001 Residential	0.42	18295

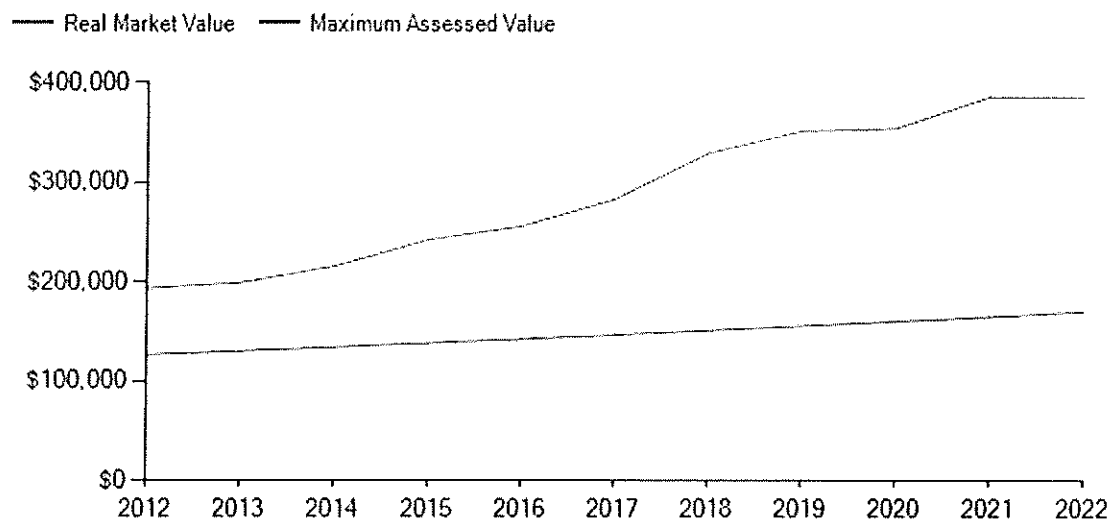
Improvements/Structures:

ID	Type	Stat Class	Make/Model	Class	Area/Count	Year Built
1.1		YARD IMPROVEMENTS AVERAGE			1	1955
1	RESIDENCE	132 Multi Story above grade		3	2749	1915

Value Information (per most recent certified tax roll)**RMV Land Market:** \$136,620**RMV Land Spec.** \$0**Assess.:****RMV Structures:** \$249,650**RMV Total:** \$386,270**AV:** \$165,540**SAV:** \$0**Exception RMV:** \$0**Exemption Value:** \$0**Exemption Description:** None**M5 Taxable:** \$386,270**MAV:** \$165,540**MSAV:** \$0

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**Assessment History**

Year	Improvements RMV	Land RMV	Special Mkt/Use	Exemptions	Total Assessed Value
2021	\$249,650	\$136,620	\$0/\$0	None	\$165,540
2020	\$227,790	\$126,620	\$0/\$0	None	\$160,720

Year	Improvements RMV	Land RMV	Special Mkt/Use	Exemptions	Total Assessed Value
2019	\$227,790	\$123,820	\$0/\$0	None	\$156,040
2018	\$214,420	\$115,190	\$0/\$0	None	\$151,500
2017	\$169,460	\$113,600	\$0/\$0	None	\$147,090
2016	\$148,440	\$107,570	\$0/\$0	None	\$142,810
2015	\$138,560	\$103,940	\$0/\$0	None	\$138,660
2014	\$111,780	\$103,940	\$0/\$0	None	\$134,630
2013	\$95,240	\$103,940	\$0/\$0	None	\$130,710
2012	\$88,480	\$105,330	\$0/\$0	None	\$126,910

Taxes: Levy, Owed

Taxes Levied 2021-22: \$3,254.66
Tax Rate: 19.6609
Tax Roll Type: R
Current Tax Payoff Amount: \$0.00

Year	Total Tax Levied	Tax Paid
2021	\$3,254.66	\$3,254.66
2020	\$3,159.76	\$3,159.76
2019	\$3,048.62	\$3,048.62
2018	\$3,009.58	\$3,009.58
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2016	\$2,587.31	\$2,587.32
2015	\$2,606.94	\$2,606.94

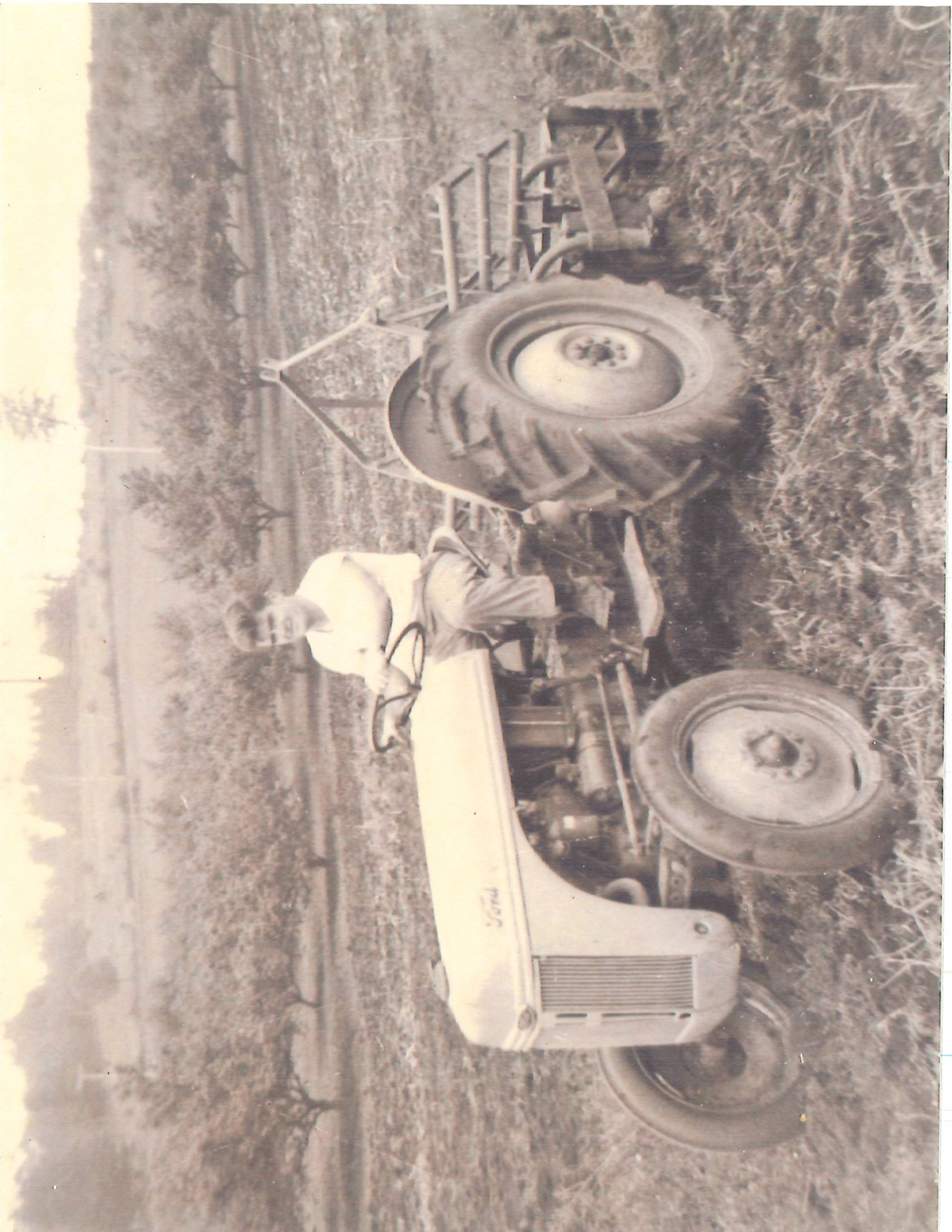
Tax Payment History

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2020	3878192	-\$3,159.76	\$0.00	\$379.17	\$3,538.93	11/10/2021
2019	23829	-\$1,016.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,016.20	5/12/2020
2019	30805	-\$1,016.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,016.21	2/20/2020

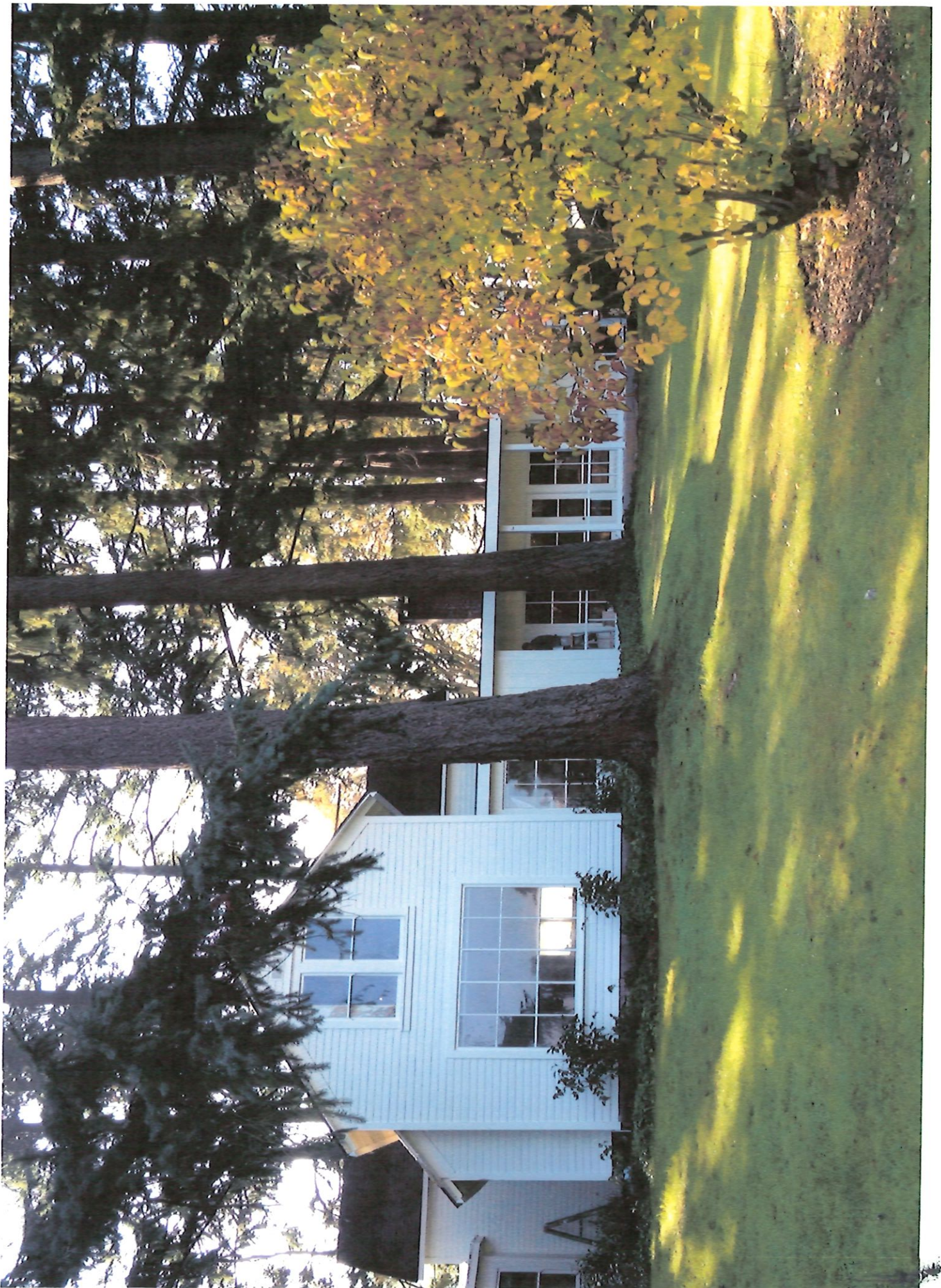
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2018	168277	-\$1,003.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,003.19	5/20/2019
2018	178746	-\$1,003.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,003.19	2/20/2019
2018	192218	-\$1,003.20	\$0.00	\$13.37	\$1,016.57	11/23/2018
2017	322473	-\$905.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$905.43	5/1/2018
2017	331584	-\$1,738.43	\$0.00	\$36.22	\$1,774.65	2/5/2018
2017	329045	-\$72.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$72.44	2/14/2018
2016	461257	-\$11.35	\$0.00	\$0.30	\$11.65	7/6/2017
2016	461256	-\$0.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.01	7/6/2017
2016	465184	-\$851.08	\$0.00	\$11.35	\$862.43	5/22/2017
2016	482950	-\$862.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$862.44	2/2/2017
2016	487653	-\$862.44	\$0.00	\$11.50	\$873.94	12/14/2016
2015	621069	-\$868.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$868.98	5/9/2016
2015	631241	-\$868.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$868.98	2/12/2016
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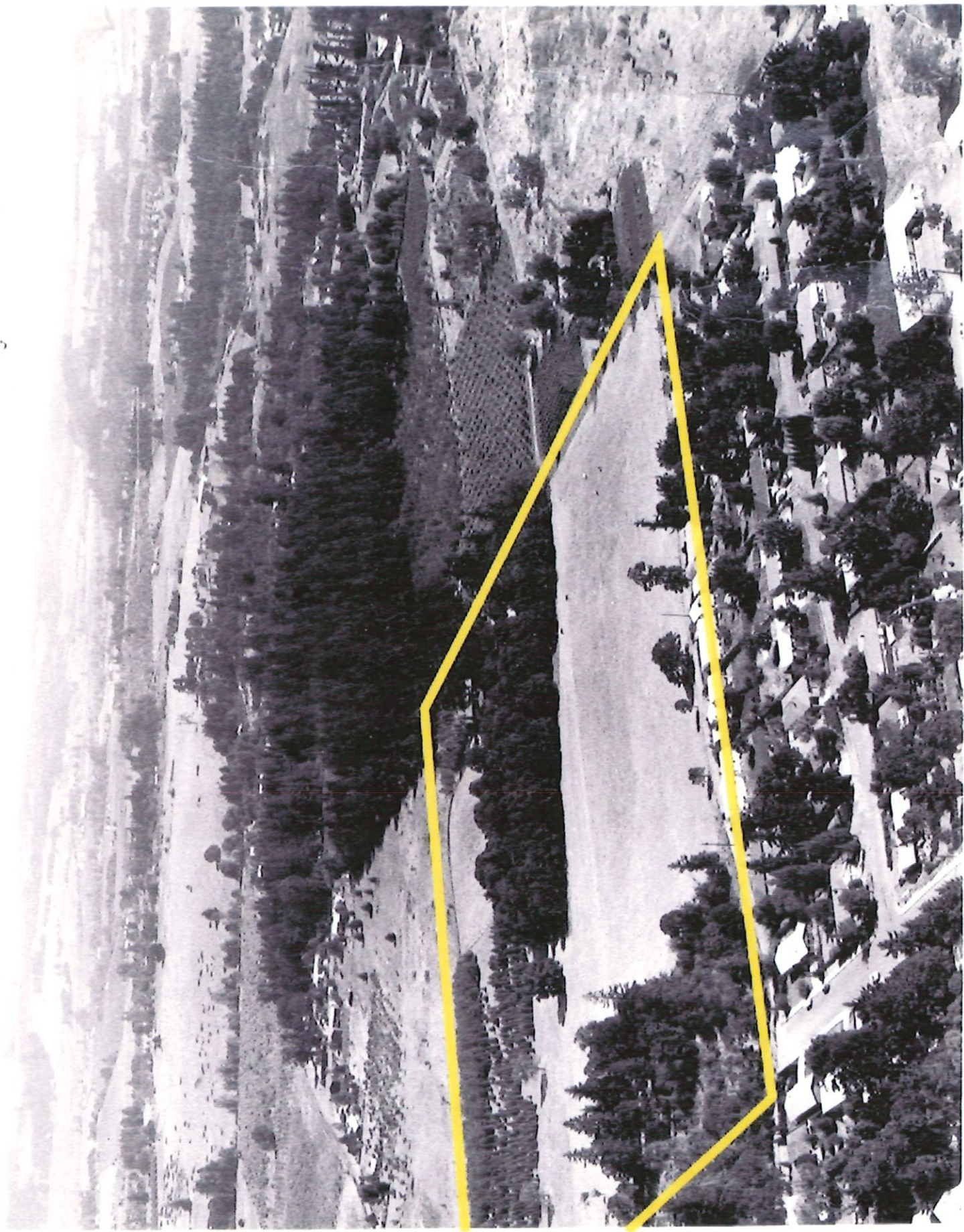




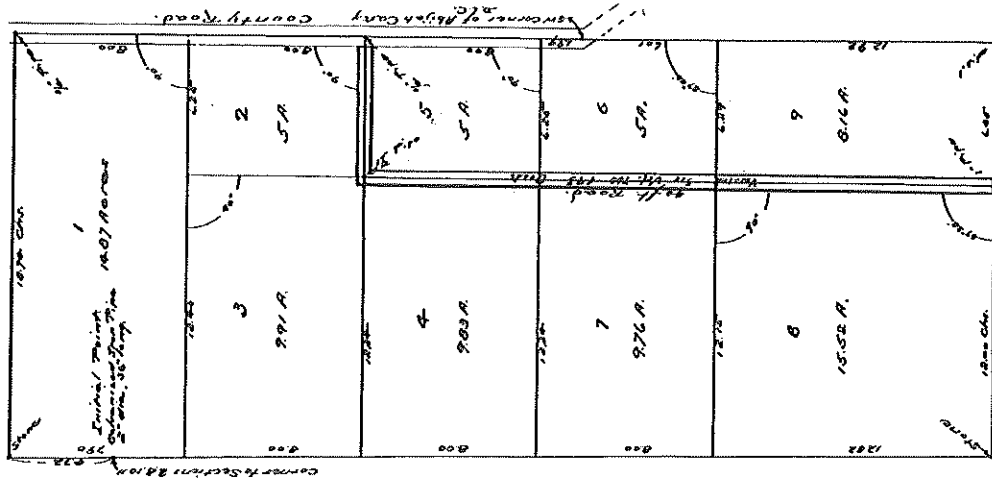




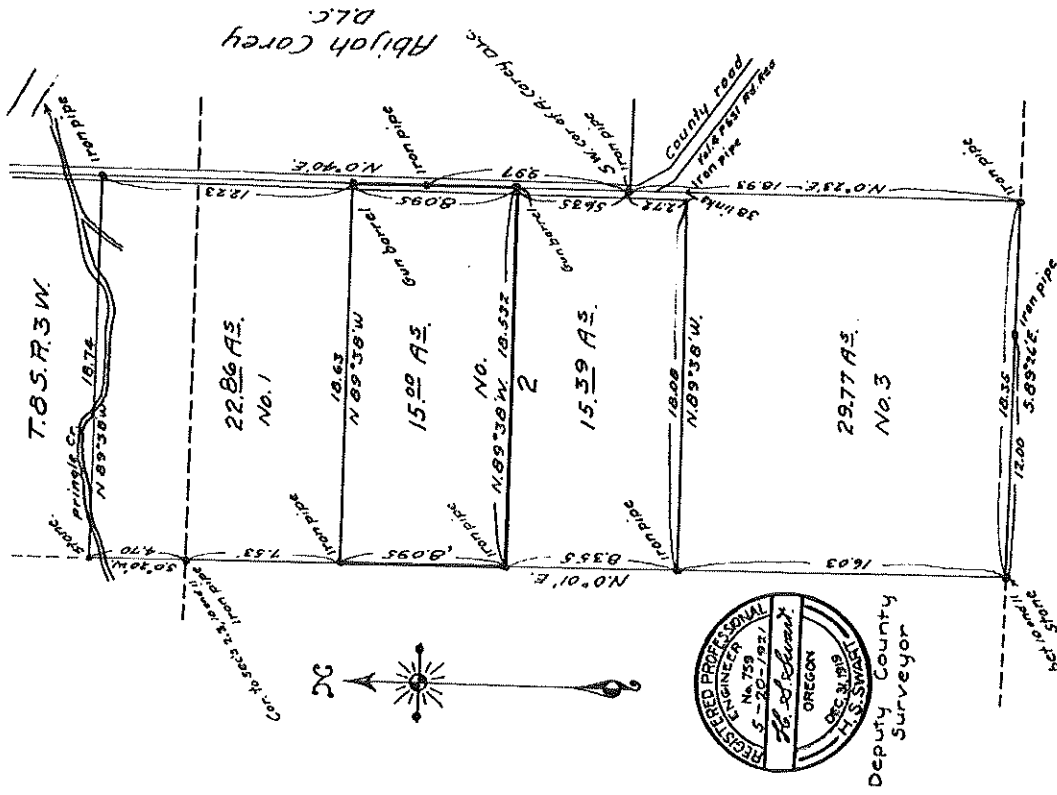




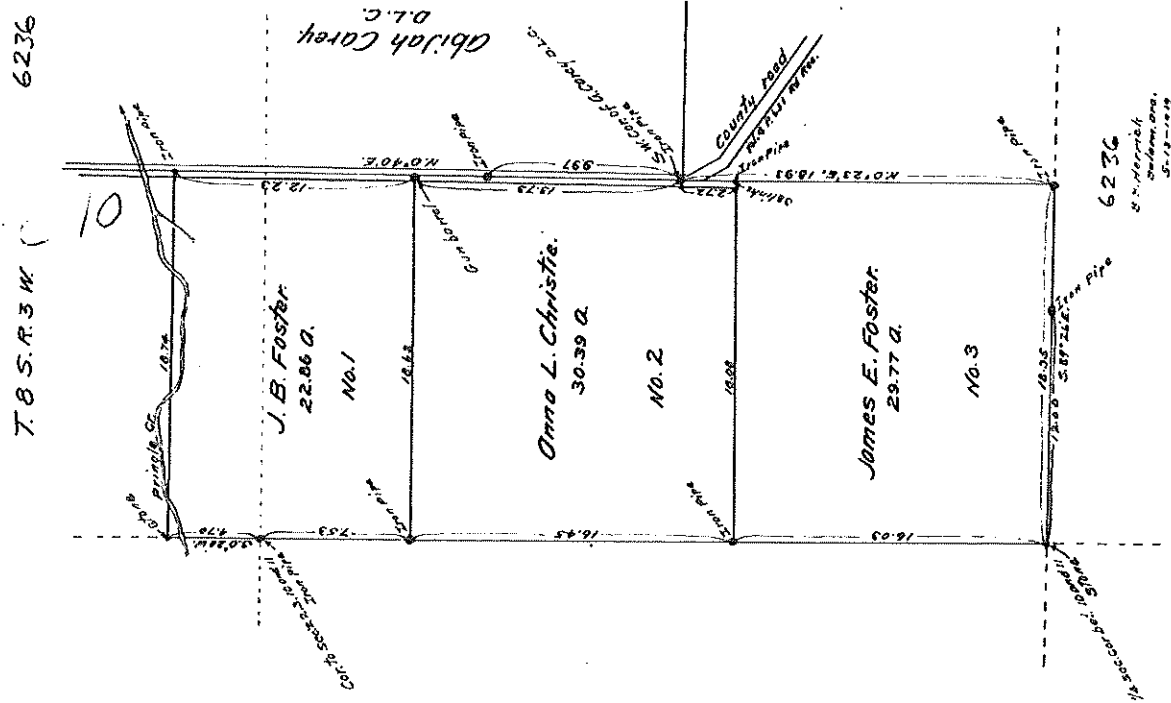
PRINGLE FRUIT TRACTS



The above Plot is hereby approved.
22 day of March 1903 B. B. Beardslee County Surveyor for Marion Co. Ore.



B.B. Herrick
Solemn one.
5-13-1919



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Duluth, Minn.
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ZENGER FARM IS LOCATED ON A 24-ACRES COMBINED FARM AND WETLAND IN THE POWELLHURST-GILBERT NEIGHBORHOOD OF OUTER EAST PORTLAND.

The particular piece of land that Zenger Farm exists upon tells a small part of a bigger story spanning across many generations. Zenger Farm currently sits on the unceded territory of the original peoples of this land – the Clackamas band of Chinook, the Multnomahs, the Tualatin Kalapuya, the Wasco-Wishram, the Willamette Tumwater, and many other tribes who have lived and traveled along these two Rivers. This area was originally populated by many Indigenous people, who lived and thrived in profound, complex, and interdependent relationships with the land and the other beings here – long before white colonial settlement. The Indigenous people are still here, and are still connected to this land.

Colonizers stole native land in the Pacific Northwest by breaking land treaties, committing horrendous acts of genocide, and forcing Indigenous people onto reservations. The Oregon Trail and subsequently the Donation Land Claim Act of 1850 allowed for a huge influx of white settlers to “claim” millions of acres of land in Oregon for the purpose of building industry, such as with the timber industry in Portland.

Many white settlers came here with a "whites only" clause. A negotiation was made for Oregon to be a "free" state, but only in exchange for states in the Southwestern region to maintain chattel slavery. Black people were systematically barred from even entering Oregon, and were brutally beaten and arrested simply for being within its borders. The Black Exclusion Law language was not formally removed from the Oregon constitution until 1925.

This piece of land and the watershed was claimed by the Johnson family who logged this area. White farmers bought and settled here in 1905 to establish a dairy farm. The land was eventually passed into the ownership of the city of Portland in the 1990's, and Zenger Farm as an organization began leasing the land in partnership with the Bureau of Environmental Services in an effort to protect the watershed from development, and to provide environmental and sustainable urban agriculture education.



Ulrich Zenger Jr. and Sr., part of the Zenger family who purchased the farm in 1905.

As an organization that is now striving to do food justice work, **we must acknowledge the history of violence, genocide, and theft of indigenous land** that is foundational to the establishment of this nation, and to the state of Oregon. **We must acknowledge that the same ideology motivated the vicious stealing and enslavement of Black people** from Africa to build the Western empire's wealth and power and that much of our land and food today is tended to and cultivated by essential immigrant farm laborers in dangerous and exploitative working conditions.



We must also acknowledge the



Blue Camas, one example of the many native plants at Zenger Farm.

strength and resilience of Native people and of Black people, whose descendants are still here, rising up against the forces of colonization and fighting for liberation everyday. All of this is woven into the story of this land.

We must do our best to honor the original people and their cultural narrative. We must learn what it means to decolonize the way we do this work. Decolonization is an ongoing process. We are committed to offering this land and our resources to Indigenous communities, and are

trying to learn how to be in genuine solidarity with intertribal organizations and native tribes. We give thanks to the people, the water, the land, the plants, and all our living relations. We give thanks to Indigenous people, to Black people, and to the movement to reclaim and liberate the land. We hope as a multiracial organization to be able to work side by side towards our collective liberation, with all of our hands reaching for Mother Earth.

To follow our acknowledgement and words with action, we will continue to use the resources we have to prioritize partnerships with native tribes, such as

- with the Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde, to bring the Clackamas and other tribal members to use the wetlands and gardens for food, traditional plant gathering, and for healing.

And our work with intertribal organizations:

- with NAYA, to offer afterschool community and education space,
- with Wisdom of the Elders, to replant native plants, the foods and medicines of this land

**This land acknowledgement is inspired by the words spoken at the beginning of Keaton Otis' monthly vigil, who was a young Black man murdered by the Portland police in 2010. It is also inspired by the acknowledgement written by Indigenous*

community members at Friends of Tryon Creek.

Learn more about Zenger Farm's lands by visiting the pages for the [Farm and our farming practices](#), the surrounding [wetlands](#), the historic [Zenger farmhouse](#), and our plans for neighboring [Furey Field](#).

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Portland, OR 97266

Friends of Zenger Farm is a 501(c)(3) non-for-profit organization.

 English

- RECENT POSTS -

A Farewell From Andy

Community Chef Dinner Series: Juneteenth

Kids Activities: April

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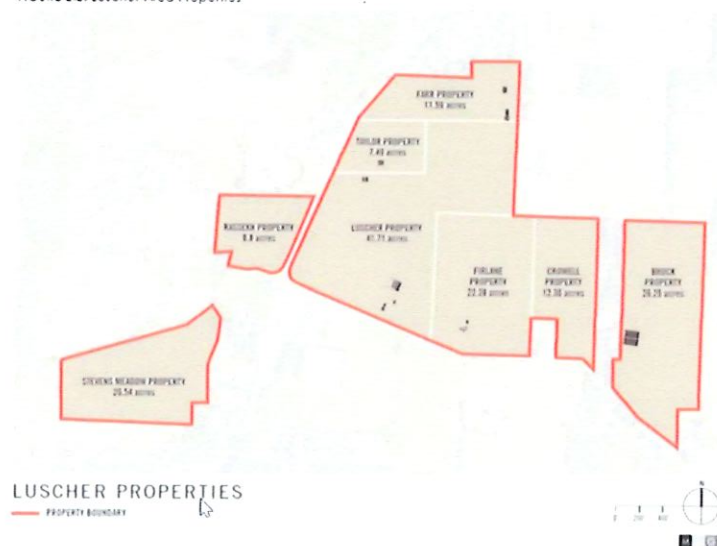
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Luscher Farm History

The Luscher Area is comprised of eight properties purchased by the City of Lake Oswego between 1991 and 2005. Collectively the properties total 152.02 acres.

FIGURE 2.2: Luscher Area Properties



THE LUSCHER CORE

The Luscher Historic Core of 22 acres includes several buildings and structures: a Queen Anne style farmhouse, barn, chicken coop, pump house, workshop, and garage/bunkhouse. Most of these were built at the

turn of the twentieth century. Luscher Farm is considered the most intact historic farm in Clackamas County.

Luscher Farm was originally part of the Jesse & Nancy Bullock Donation Land Claim of 1866. They were one of several pioneer family land claims that stretched between Rosemont Road & Marylhurst on the Willamette River. The farm evolved through several different families before Rudolph and Ester Luscher purchased the farm in 1944. As their dairy farm, from 1944 to 1969, it gained recognition for the breeding of Holsteins with superior milk production. Since the beginning with the dairy farm, the farm has had active agricultural use for over 100 years.

The Taylor Farm Property was purchased by the City in 1993 from Kenneth and Gladys Taylor, a total of 2 parcels totaling 7.49 acres.

The Farr Property was purchased by the City in 1994 from David and Frieda Farr. The property totals 8.34 acres and is located 0.2 miles south of the Stafford/Bergis Road intersection.

The Rassekh Property was acquired by the City in June 1996. The property totals 9.8 acres and is located northwest of the Stafford Road/Atherton Drive intersection.

The Firlane Farm was purchased by the City in 1999 from Violet Lang. The two parcels total

22.28 acres and the property is located 0.3 miles east of the Stafford/Rosemont Road intersection.

The Brock Property was purchased by the City in 2001 from Woodrow and Marilyn Brock, totaling 26.25 acres. The property is located 0.7 miles east of the Stafford/Rosemont Road intersection.

The Stevens Meadows Property was purchased by the City in 2003 from Stevens Family Enterprises, LLC. The property totals 20.54 acres and is located 0.2 miles southwest of the Stafford Road/Atherton Drive intersection. In 2012 interpretative signage was placed at Steven's Meadow to recognize the Shipley Tree Grove as a significant historic feature in the area.

The Crowell Property was purchased by the City in 2005 from John and Margaret Crowell. The property totals 12.36 acres and abuts the north side of Rosemont Road.



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