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CASEFILE NO: _____

APPLICANT: _____

CONTACT: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

OWNER(S): (attach additional sheets if needed)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

SITE ADDRESS: _____

SITE SIZE: _____

LAND USE DISTRICTS: _____

FLOOD PLAIN? YES NO

DRAINAGE HAZARD AREA? YES NO

Preliminary Grading Review

This form is for grading not related to an approved development or pending building permit. The purpose is to determine if grading meets standards for being exempt from a land use permit. Submit to Current Planning-Rural Section Prior to Submittal for Grading Permit to Building Services.

ASSESSOR MAP: _____ TAX LOT NUMBER(S): _____

PRELIMINARY GRADING REVIEW

In order for the Department to determine the correct procedure type for your specific request, please provide the following information:

1. PREPARE AN ACCURATE SITE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA TO BE GRADED.
2. PREPARE A TYPICAL ELEVATION (CROSS-SECTION).
3. WHAT IS THE EXISTING USE ON THE SITE? _____
4. DESCRIBE IN DETAIL THE PURPOSE OF YOUR GRADING PROPOSAL: _____
5. HOW MUCH ACREAGE/SQUARE FOOTAGE IS INVOLVED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL? _____
6. PLEASE INDICATE THE AMOUNT IN CUBIC YARDS AND SHOW HOW THIS FIGURE WAS CALCULATED: _____
7. DESCRIBE IN DETAIL WHAT MATERIALS WILL BE IMPORTED TO THE SITE (i.e. soil, gravel, rock): _____
8. HOW LONG WILL THIS PROJECT TAKE YOU TO COMPLETE? (Months/days, etc.): _____
9. DESCRIBE WHAT METHODS OF EROSION CONTROL YOU WILL USE: _____

OWNER CONTRACT PURCHASER _____ DATE _____

APPLICANT _____ DATE _____

Print Name: _____

Print Name: _____

AS OWNER AND APPLICANT I CERTIFY BY MY SIGNATURE THAT I WILL NOT ACCEPT A FEE FOR PLACEMENT OF FILL ON MY PROPERTY AT THE LOCATION ABOVE.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Based on the information submitted, your grading proposal is subject to the following:

EXEMPT (No application is required to be filed with Washington County).

COMMENTS: _____

SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

The following Code Section addresses the criteria to qualify for an exempt agricultural fill. Information on the Preliminary Grading Review form provides the basis for this determination. Additional information may be requested by staff to determine compliance with the criteria below.

201-2 Exclusions from Permit Requirement

The following activities are permitted in each district but are excluded from the requirement of obtaining a Development Permit. Exclusion from the permit requirement does not exempt the activity from otherwise complying with all applicable standards, conditions and other provisions of this Code. The activities set forth below are not excluded from the requirement to obtain approval of erosion control measures to the extent the activity is subject to Section 426.

201-2.12 The following excavations or fills, except excavations or fills for public transportation facilities, provided that no excavation or fill shall occur in the flood plain, drainage hazard area or in an area specifically identified as a significant natural resource in the Community Plan or the Rural Natural Resource Plan without first obtaining a Development Permit:

- G. Accepted farm practices, as defined in ORS 215.203, such as preparation of land for cultivation and not including grading for roadwork or pads for structures are subject to all of the following:
 - 1) No piping of drainages serving off-site properties;
 - 2) If fill is proposed, finished grade is no higher than adjacent property at the property line, or fill or excavation area is outside the district setbacks;
 - 3) Preserves existing drainage pattern, including direction and flow capacity and velocity of an existing drainage swale or channel. A drainage swale is a local depression, which conveys water to or from an adjoining property. All ponds shall be located outside drainage channels;
 - 4) Except for ponds, all material is either topsoil i.e., the A Horizon as defined by Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) or if utilized for nursery purposes, the material is commonly used to grow nursery crops;
 - 5) Fill material does not contain hazardous or contaminated substances, putrescibles or material such as asphalt, concrete or tires;
 - 6) Compliance with Oregon Administrative Rule Chapter 603, Division 95 (Agricultural Water Quality Management Program);
 - 7) All grading activities must be completed within one calendar year of commencing grade and the graded are returned to farm use;
 - 8) Except for nursery farms, imported fill material shall not exceed five thousand (5,000) cubic yards (measured by the truck load);
 - 9) Charging a fee to place fill is not allowed.