Congressmen Walden and Blumenauer's Mt. Hood Legislation

LAND EXCHANGES

Cooper Spur – Government Camp:
For the past three decades, Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Resort and residents of Hood River County have had conflicting visions for the North side of the Mountain. This bill implements a mediated settlement between Mt. Hood Meadows and the Hood River Valley Residents Committee, which will resolve the conflict by focusing new development where infrastructure already exists.

- Mt. Hood Meadows shall convey to the Forest Service:
  - 770 acres at Cooper Spur, the special use permit which would have allowed the development of 1350 acres of the Cooper Spur Ski Area, and all buildings, furniture, fixtures and equipment at the Cooper Spur Ski Area. The appraised value of the private land and property to be conveyed is $5,535,000.

- The Forest Service shall convey to Mt. Hood Meadows
  - 120 acres of land managed by the Forest Service in Government Camp. The appraised value of the federal land to be conveyed is $3,810,000.

- The amount by which the appraised value of the land and other property conveyed by Mt. Hood Meadows exceeds the appraised value of the land conveyed by the Forest Service is $1,725,000 and represents a donation to the United States.

Port of Cascade Locks-Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail:
The Pacific Crest Trail runs through the town of Cascade Locks and currently has only a five foot buffer as an easement. This land exchange will permanently protect this section of the Pacific Crest Trail from development and ensuring the scenic values of the forest land in the Columbia River Gorge remain enact. The exchange also will enable the City of Cascade Locks to go forward with its plan to develop land within its urban growth boundary.

- Port of Cascade Locks shall convey to the Forest Service:
  - 40 acres - The acquisition of this land by the Forest Service will ensure the continued integrity of the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail and the public's ability to access the north Oregon entrance of the trail.

- The Forest Service shall convey to Port of Cascade Locks:
  - 10 acres - The Forest Service land which will be exchanged lies within the current Cascade Locks urban growth boundary and is listed on lands available for disposal by the Forest Service.

- The values of the land to be exchanged shall be determined pursuant to an appraisal acceptable to the Forest Service and the Port.

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