# Oregon Agriculture Workforce Housing Tax Credit – HB 2096A

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Oregon Legislative Revenue Office



### Purpose of Credit

- Not currently in statute
- 1989 implementing legislation

"it is the policy of this state to insure adequate agricultural labor accommodations commensurate with the housing needs of Oregon's workers that meet decent health, safety and welfare standards (ORS 197.677)"

#### • LRO summary of purpose

"To provide support for the construction or rehabilitation of agriculture workforce housing thereby supporting the goal of ensuring adequate agricultural labor housing through a collaboration of the public, private, and nonprofit sectors"





# How the Tax Credit Works

- Credit available to corporate or personal income taxpayers that are owner or operator of agriculture workforce housing
- <u>Credit</u> = 50% of eligible costs to complete agriculture workforce housing project
- <u>Eligible housing projects</u>: construction, rehabilitation or acquisition of agriculture workforce housing
- <u>Eligible costs</u>: Acquisition, finance, construction, excavation, installation & permits
- Limited to occupancy by agricultural workers & immediate family (includes retired and/or disabled ag. workers)
- Credit taken over 10 years, may take up to 20% of credit value in any one year
- Credit is transferable, 9-year carryforward
- Sunsets 1/1/2026





# Credit Certification & Requirements

- Certification required by Housing & Community Services Department
- HCSD certifications limited to \$7.25 million per year (\$3.625 million in credits, credit= 50% of certified amount)
- HB 2096A change to limit
  - <u>Credit</u> limit to \$24M per biennium (up from \$7.25M in credits per biennium)





## Number of Projects & Units

#### HCSD Certifications | Housing Units











### Historic Cost of Credit



