

DOUGLAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT No. 2

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Committee Chair Meek, Vice Chair Boquist, and committee members please accept the included maps into testimony in support of SB 1068.

The first map is the map that was displayed during my in-person testimony. This map shows three fire districts response areas. In these response areas the properties marked with X's are improved (with a structure) properties that are not taxpayers of the fire districts. The following maps are close-ups of some rural residential properties that were bare land, which fire districts are not allowed to annex, that have since developed. Being that the current laws required a property owner-initiated annexation, some property owners did annex while others chose not to. On these maps the properties in yellow are properties that have elected not to annex to the districts. There have been property owners that have even appealed the request for their property to be annexed as a condition of a land use change and have won, as there are no laws that say a property must annex into a fire district.

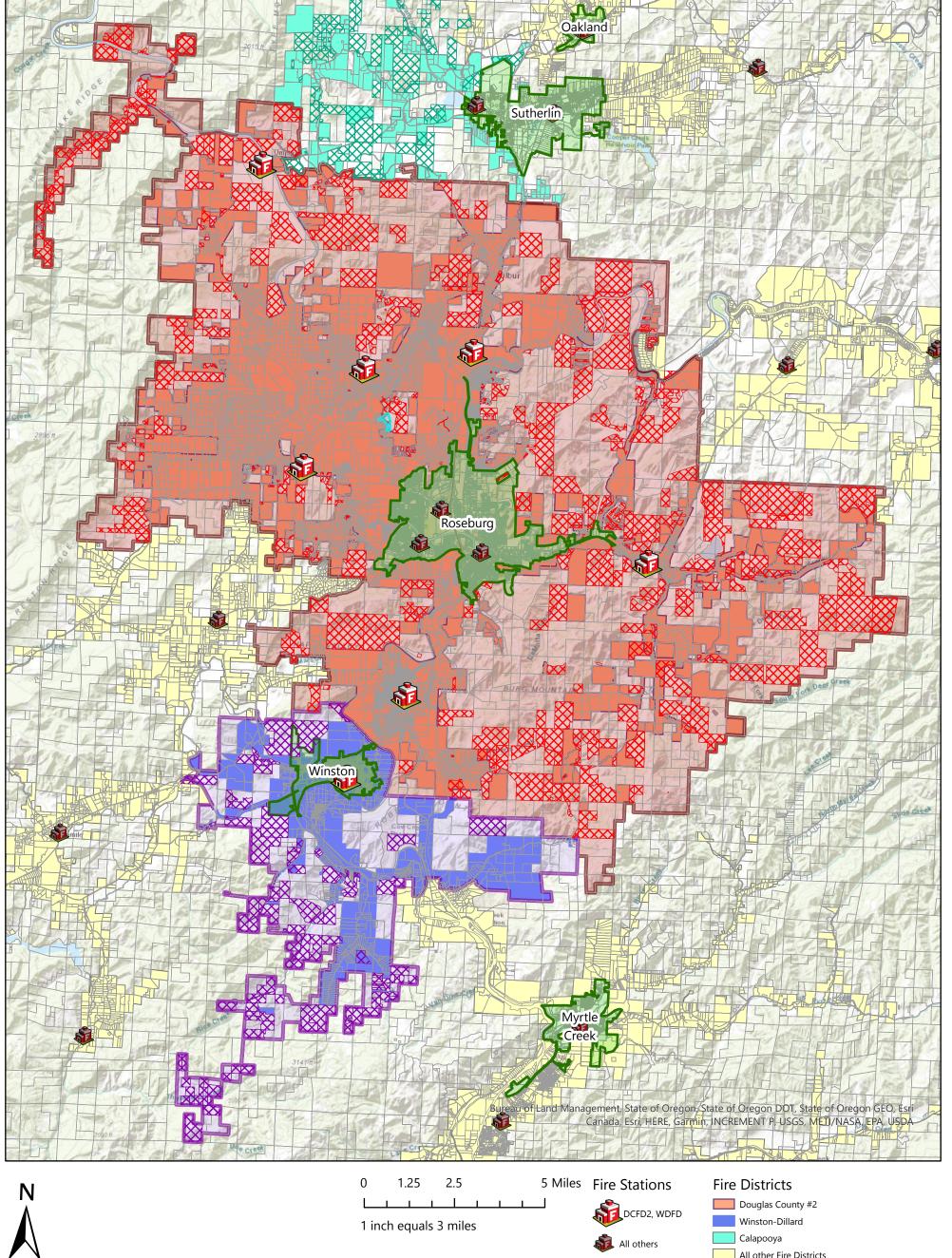
These maps are just snapshots of what can be seen throughout the state and the confusion it can cause for emergency responders. Many of us have been told to just not respond to these properties, then they will annex in. Is that the right thing to do? No, it is not, as it is often unable to be determined whether a property is in or out until after an emergency. Secondly, try and tell an emergency responder not to do their job to protect lives and property. Third, it is not the right thing to do for the neighbors as the fire could quickly spread. This needs to be addressed at the state level so that all Oregon fire districts have the opportunity to address the problem and have some teeth to back it up.

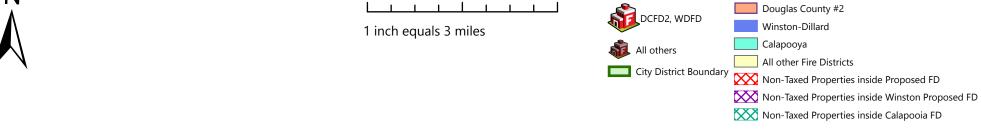
Thank you again for taking the time to listen and consider this important bill. I ask that you please pass this bill out of committee to the senate floor with a do pass recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

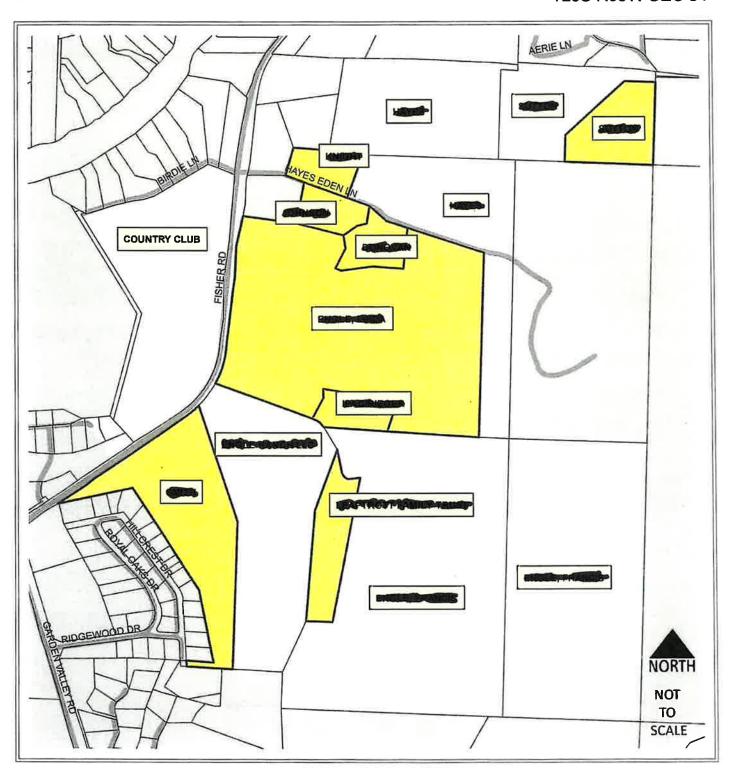
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Fire Chief





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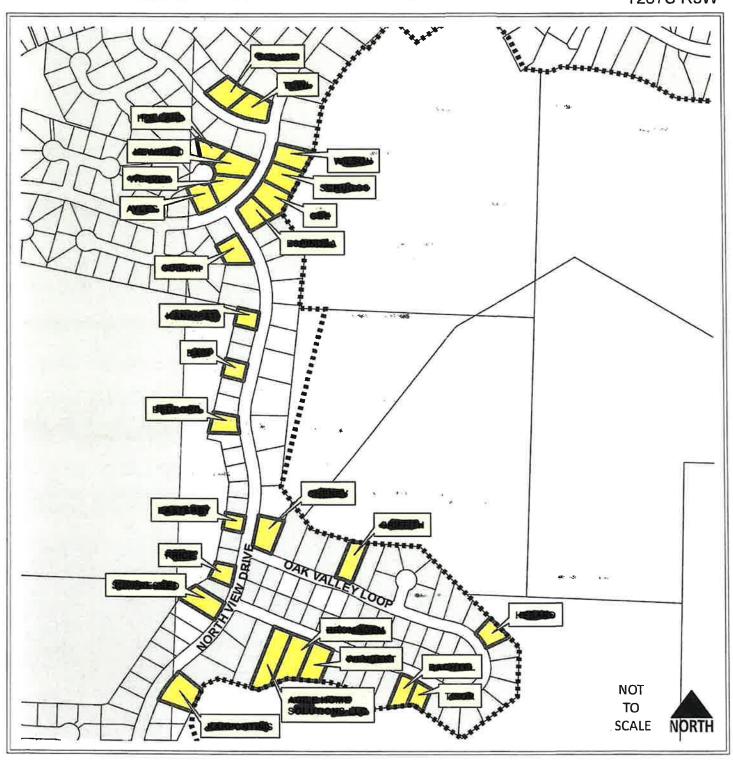
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VICINITY MAP T267S R5W

NORTH VIEW DRIVE & OAK VALLEY LOOP

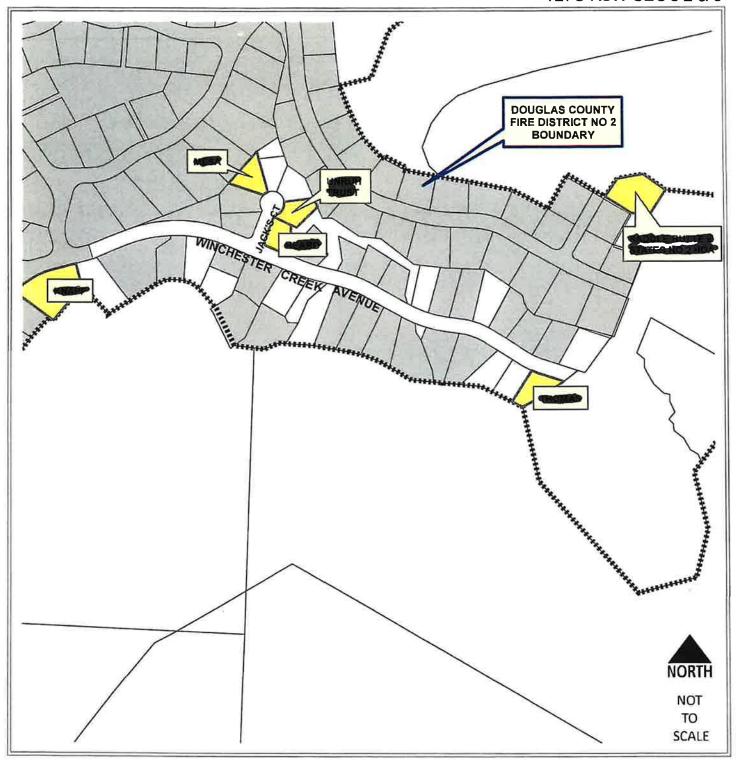


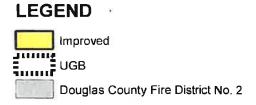
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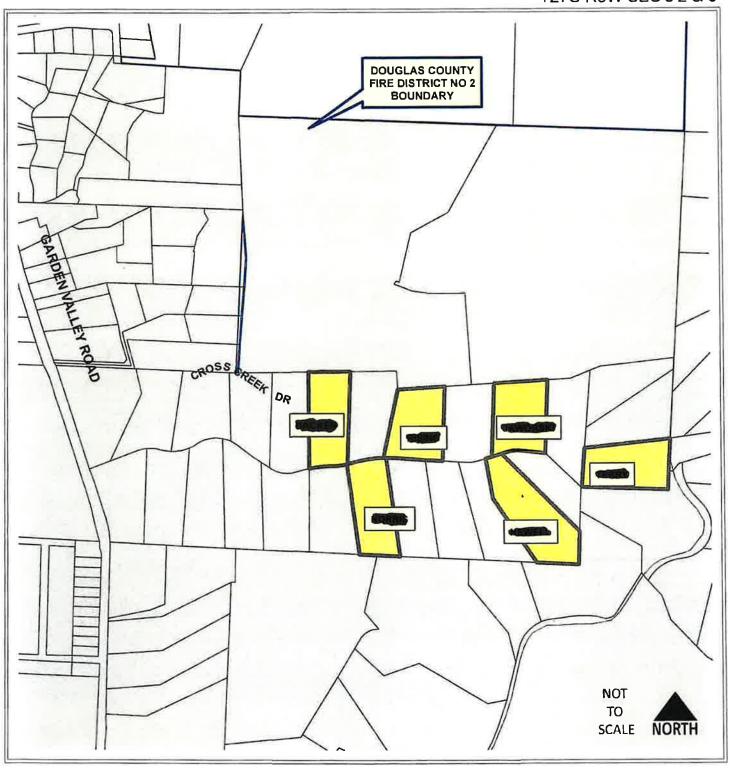


WINCHESTER CREEK AVENUE JACK'S CT

VICINITY MAP T27S R6W SEC's 2 & 3







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