



Public Notice

DEQ Requests Comments on Proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement for Swan Lake Moulding and Klamath County Parcels in Klamath Falls

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The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality invites the public to submit written comments on a proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement with Platt Resources, LLC, for the former industrial properties that are currently owned by Swan Lake Moulding Company and Klamath County.

How to provide public comment

Facility name: Former Texaco Bulk Plant

Project location: 3301 Crosby Avenue and 2450 Altamont Drive, Klamath Falls

Comments due by: June 30 at 5 p.m.

Submit written comments:

By mail: Allen Clements, Oregon DEQ, 400 E Scenic Dr #307, The Dalles, OR 97058

By email: allen.clements@deq.oregon.gov

Proposal highlights

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality proposes to enter into a Prospective Purchaser Agreement with Platt Resources, LLC, for two tax lots owned by Swan Lake Moulding Company and one tax lot owned by Klamath County. Platt Resources, LLC plans to purchase the properties and redevelop them as a Kubota equipment dealership.

Background

The properties proposed for purchase consist of a 3.1-acre parcel owned by Swan Lake Moulding located at 3301 Crosby Avenue and is more particularly described as tax lots 300 and 400 and an adjacent 0.5 acre-parcel owned by Klamath County, located at 2450 Altamont Drive and is more particularly described as tax lot 200. The Swan Lake Moulding property operated as a mill and retail building materials from the 1920s until 1999 when a fire damaged both properties. As a result of the 1999 fire, various chemicals were released and large quantities of fire suppressant foam that likely contained per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) were deployed at both properties to fight the fire. The Klamath County property is a former Texaco petroleum bulk plant which Klamath County took ownership of as a result of a foreclosure. The 1999 fire destroyed numerous aboveground storage tanks at the property. Groundwater and soil sampling has confirmed PFAS contamination in soil and groundwater at the Klamath County property and the Swan Lake Moulding property is suspected to have PFAS contamination in soil and groundwater. Additionally, both properties have confirmed total petroleum hydrocarbons contamination in soil and groundwater.

Under the terms of the proposed agreement, Platt Resources, LLC will:

- Install and sample three groundwater monitoring wells at the properties for PFAS. The wells were installed and sampled in May 2026 as part of a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment that investigated PFAS in soil

and groundwater at the properties. Platt Resources, LLC will allow DEQ access to the groundwater monitoring wells in perpetuity to collect samples.

- File an Easement and Equitable Servitudes (EES), that is reviewed and approved by DEQ, with the Klamath County that places restrictions on tax lots (200, 300, and 400). The EES restrictions will include vapor barrier installation requirements for buildings, groundwater use restrictions, and development of and adherence to a contaminated media management plan to protect users of the properties. Platt Resources, LLC will file the EES with the Klamath County within 15 days of DEQ's approval of the EES.
- Contribute \$30,000 to DEQ's Lake Ewauna Settlement Fund to fund environmental assessment and cleanup projects at contaminated sites that impact Lake Ewauna in Klamath Falls within 90 days of taking title to the properties.

The work is subject to DEQ approval and oversight.

DEQ created the Prospective Purchaser Agreement program in 1995 through amendments to the state's Environmental Cleanup Law. The agreement is a tool that expedites the cleanup of contaminated property and encourages property transactions that would otherwise not likely occur because of the liabilities associated with purchasing a contaminated site.

The proposed agreement will provide Platt Resources, LLC with a release from liability for claims by the State of Oregon under ORS 465.200 to 465.545 and 465.990, 466.640 and 468B.310 regarding existing hazardous substance releases at or from the property. The proposed agreement will also provide Platt Resources, LLC with third party liability protection.

For more information

Visit DEQ's Environmental Cleanup Site Information database at [Your DEQ Online Public Records Portal](#) for more information and to view documents related to both properties.

To review the project file in person at a DEQ office, please contact Allen Clements at 503-806-0713 or allen.clements@deq.oregon.gov.

Environmental Cleanup Site Information ID: 6783

The next step

DEQ will consider all public comments received by the date and time stated above before making a final decision regarding the proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement.

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