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Property Owners  
Using Records Lane

Re: Records Lane

Dear Property Owner Using Records Lane:

As you may be aware, Umatilla County is the property owner of a portion of the property on which is located Records Lane. Specifically the one-fourth mile portion located west of Edwards Road, at a width of 16.5 feet, is owned by the county. This property was acquired in 1959 for non-payment of real property taxes.

Recently, the county was approached by a property owner to acquire an easement over the property owned by the county. The county has done this at least one time in the past. This need occasionally arises when a purchaser or a financial institution requires written documentation of access to your property. As it has done in other similar situations, rather than granting an easement to cross the property, the Board of Commissioners signed a Dedication Deed for the property. A copy of the deed is enclosed for your information.

As a result of the deed, there is now documentation that the easterly one-fourth mile portion of Records Lane, is a Public Road. A Public Road is a road over which the public has a right of use. This will allow access to your property over this portion of Records Lane. This should allow for easier financing and sale of your property.

This will not, however, change the status of Records Lane. It will continue to be a local access road, not a County Road. The users of the road will continue to have the responsibility and the obligation for maintenance of and any improvement to Records Lane. The county legally is not able to spend any funds for the maintenance of Records Lane. Also, the deed only covers the portion owned by the county. The portion beyond the easterly one-fourth portion is not affected by the action taken by the county.

It was the intent of the county to have this dedication make it easier for the property owners using Records Lane. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Douglas R. Olsen  
County Counsel

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Until further notice  
send tax statements to:  
Non-Assessable Property

After recording  
return to:  
Umatilla County Counsel  
216 SE 4th Street  
Pendleton, OR 97801

DEDICATION DEED

UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON, a political subdivision of the State of Oregon, Grantor, for \$-0- consideration, dedicates the below described property as a local access road, over which the public has a right of use for road and utility purposes, but not as a county road and no acceptance of jurisdiction as a county road is made by this declaration:

South 16.5 feet of the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 6 North, Range 35, East of Willamette Meridian, Umatilla County, Oregon

The true and actual consideration of this dedication is \$-0-.

THIS INSTRUMENT WILL NOT ALLOW USE OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS INSTRUMENT IN VIOLATION OF APPLICABLE LAND USE LAWS AND REGULATIONS. BEFORE SIGNING OR ACCEPTING THIS INSTRUMENT, THE PERSON ACQUIRING FEE TITLE TO THE PROPERTY SHOULD CHECK WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO VERIFY APPROVED USES AND TO DETERMINE ANY LIMITS ON LAWSUITS AGAINST FARMING OR FOREST PRACTICES AS DEFINED IN ORS 30.930.

DATED this 16 day of July, 2003.

UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON  
by its Board of Commissioners



**ABSENT**

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William S. Hansell, Chair

*Dennis D. Doherty*  
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Dennis D. Doherty, Commissioner

*Emile M. Holeman*  
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Emile M. Holeman, Commissioner