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DEQ Enters Prospective Purchaser Agreement Consent Order with Sierra Cascade Forest Products LLC

Salem, Ore. – The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality has entered into a prospective purchaser agreement consent order with Sierra Cascade Forest Products LLC to facilitate the sale and redevelopment of the former Shaniko Lumber property at 40919 16th St. in Lyons, a city in Linn County.

Sierra Cascade, LLC agrees to carry out a Scope of Work under the agreement, and will:

- prepare and implement a Remedial Action Work Plan to address contamination at the property (including areas near an above ground storage tank and truck shop, a former drum storage area, and a debris burn pile);
- prepare a final Completion Report; and
- record an Easement and Equitable Servitude to provide DEQ and contractors with access to the property and to place appropriate restrictions on groundwater use and wells.

Completion of the Scope of Work will ensure that cleanup is protective of public health and the environment, and that the property can be brought back safely into productive use. Sierra Cascade, LLC plans to put existing buildings and associated areas on the property in use for its west coast base operations for producing forest related seasonal and specialty consumer products.

DEQ's prospective purchaser agreement program was created in 1995 through amendments to the state's Environmental Cleanup Law. The prospective purchase 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 consent order provides Sierra Cascade 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 consent order also provides Sierra Cascade Forest Products third party liability protection.

For site summary information and other documents on DEQ's Environmental Cleanup Site Information, or ECSI, database go to oregon.gov/deq/Hazards-and-Cleanup/env-cleanup/Pages/ecsi.aspx and search Site ID No. 2387.

For more information about requesting a review of DEQ project files go to deq.state.or.us/records/recordsRequestFAQ.htm.

Find the File Review Application form at deq.state.or.us/records/RecordsRequestForm.pdf.

About Oregon's Department of Environmental Quality

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality protects human health and the environment by controlling air and water pollution, reducing the impacts of manufactured products and cleaning up contaminated properties. DEQ engages the public in decision-making and helps communities solve problems in ways that are economically and environmentally sustainable.