

Application to Combine Contiguous Lots
For the Purpose of Forest Patrol Assessments
Pursuant to ORS 477.295

FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING July 1, _____ APPLICATION DATE: _____

ODF DISTRICT: _____ COUNTY: _____

LANDOWNER (s): _____

TAX LOT ACCOUNT NUMBERS:

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 REQUIREMENTS: ORS 477.295 provides criteria for the combining of contiguous lots held under identical ownership for the purposes of making the levy and assessment of costs against forestland for fire protection.

PART 1:	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Are the lots to be combined subject to fire patrol assessment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Are the lots to be combined contiguous? [ORS 477.295(3)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Are the lots to be combined held under identical ownership? [ORS 477.295 (3)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Are the lots to be combined designated forest or agriculture lands for the purpose of land use or special tax assessment purposes? [ORS 477.295 (3)(c)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Is this application being submitted no later than April 15 th preceding the fiscal year in which the combination is to be applied? [ORS 477.295 (4)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If any of the above answers are NO, STOP – The combination is not allowed
 If all the above answers are YES, proceed to PART II

PART II:

6. Are any of the lots to be combined in a subdivision, and have any of the lots under your ownership within this subdivision been or are they currently offered for sale? [ORS 477.295 (3)(b)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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If YES, STOP – The combination is not allowed.
 If NO, continue to PART III.

PART III

7. Do any lots contain structures, manufactured dwellings, or improvements made for erecting any type of structure? [ORS 477.295 (3)(a)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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IF NO, combination is allowed. Skip Part IV and go to Part V.
 If YES, continue with Part IV.

PART IV:

8. Does only one of the lots to be combined contain a single family dwelling?
[ORS 477.295 (3)(a)]

YES

NO

9. If one of the lots to be combined contains a single family dwelling, and if any other structures or improvements are present, are all of the structures and improvements on the lots to be combined appurtenant to the single family dwelling? [ORS 477.295 (3)(a)]

10. Is the total acreage for all the lots to be combined 20 acres or less?
[ORS 477.295 (3)(a)]

If any answers are NO, STOP- the combination is not allowed.
If all the answers are YES, the combination is allowed. Continue to Part V.

PART V

11. Were your lots combined in the previous fiscal year? [ORS 477.295 (4)]
If no, a payment of \$25.00 must accompany this application.
If yes, no fee is required.

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REMEMBER: You must submit an application annually for your lots to remain in combined status. It is landowner's responsibility to re-submit the application annually prior to April 16th for the lots the owner desires to be combined during the upcoming fiscal year. If there is a break in the annual application, the fee becomes applicable for the next request for application.

LANDOWNER CERTIFICATION:

The undersigned owner or owners of record do hereby certify that the tax lots listed on this form meet the requirements of ORS 477.295 relating to the combination of contiguous lots for the purpose of assessing forest fire protection costs.

LANDOWNER(S) SIGNATURE(S):

STATE FORESTER CERTIFICATION:

DENIED (_____) APPROVED (_____) _____

REMARKS: _____

The State Forester certifies to the assessor of _____ County the above tax lots meet the statutory requirements of ORS 477.295 relating to combination of contiguous lots for the purpose of assessing forest fire protection costs.

BY: _____ TITLE: _____