



July 17, 2025

To: Interested parties

From: Richard Donovan, policy advisor, policy and technical services

Subject: Columbia County proposed fee adoption

The State of Oregon Building Codes Division (division) has received the enclosed notice of intent to adopt building inspection program fees from Columbia County on July 17, 2025. Pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rule 918-020-0220, municipalities seeking to adopt fees are required to provide all the following information to the division 45 days prior to the proposed adoptive date.

- A. The affected specialty code or program areas.
- B. A description of the proposed building inspection program fees including the approximate percentage change when applicable.
- C. The proposed effective date.
- D. The date of the last fee increase in the specialty code or program area if applicable.
- E. The anticipated date, time and location of the local municipal hearing scheduled pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 294.160.
- F. The name, phone number and title of a contact person.
- G. A narrative explaining the purpose of the proposed fee adoption.

The division is required to notify interested parties after receiving a notice of intent to adopt building inspection program fees from a municipality. Enclosed is the information provided to the division pursuant to the above administrative rule requirements.

If you have concerns about this proposed fee change, you may contact the municipality directly, or attend the local municipal hearing on:

Hearing Date(s) and Time(s): Aug. 13, 2025 at 10 a.m.

Address: John Gumm Building and Civic Center, 251 St. Helens

Street, St. Helens, Oregon 97051

Contact information: Suzie Dahl, Director, Land Development Services

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As a hybrid option, a virtual meeting with agenda will be available at the following link 2-5 days prior: https://www.columbiacountyor.gov/meetings

If you still have unresolved concerns, you may, pursuant to ORS 455.210(3), appeal this fee adoption by sending a written request to the division. Appeal requests must be filed no later than 60 days after the fee adoption notice was received by the division.

