



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 21, 2022

SUBJECT: Consideration to hear a land use matter involving commercial activity in conjunction with farm use (meadery).

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Approve or decline to hear an appeal of a Hearings Officer decision on a proposal for a commercial activity in conjunction with farm use (meadery) in the Exclusive Farm Use Zone.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

On September 7, 2022, the Deschutes County Planning Division administratively approved a Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan Review request (file nos. 247-22-000024-CU, 247-22-000025-SP) for a proposed meadery. An appeal was filed on September 19, 2022 by Central Oregon LandWatch requesting a public hearing. The initial public hearing before the Hearings Officer was on Wednesday, October 26th, 2022. The Hearings Officer issued a decision on November 18th, 2022 which denied the proposal.

The Applicant filed a timely appeal of the Hearings Officer's Decision and requests that the application be reviewed by the Board of County Commissioners. More detailed information is included in the staff memo.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None

ATTENDANCE:

Nathaniel Miller – Associate Planner
Jacob Ripper – Principal Planner
Anthony Raguine – Principal Planner