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**Information for Purchase of  
TAX FORECLOSED LINCOLN COUNTY PROPERTY**

Pursuant to ORS 275, *most* tax foreclosed property must first be offered for sale at a Sheriff's Auction. If not sold at that time, surplus property will be added to the current available property list to be sold throughout the year.

1. Lincoln County does not maintain a mailing list for the Sheriff's Auction. Both the Available Property List, and the Auction List, are available on the Lincoln County website at [www.co.lincoln.or.us/pm](http://www.co.lincoln.or.us/pm)
2. The auction is typically scheduled in late October or November each year, on a Thursday. The auction list, along with the public notice of the Sheriff's Auction, is published in the Wednesday edition of the Newport News Times for 4 (four) consecutive weeks prior to the auction and is only available after publication.
3. The Property Management Department maintains files on all parcels available, which can be reviewed by appointment only.
4. **No less than the minimum bid will be accepted for at least 1 year following the auction.**
5. For copies of surveys and assessor maps, you may use our interactive map application: <https://maps.co.lincoln.or.us>. You may search using the map and taxlot provided. In many cases, there are no addresses available. Property is generally only given addresses when a building permit is issued. Bare land rarely has an address, unless it previously had an improvement located on it.
6. For information regarding septic approvals or zoning, you'll need to contact the appropriate planning/community development department, either city or county.
7. To find out about liens, encumbrances, or legal access, you'll need to contact a title company of your choice, at your cost.
8. **To make an offer**, identify the parcel by Map & Tax Lot, state your offer, then print your name, address and phone number. **Please make sure to sign and date your offer** and send it to the address listed above. Offers must be by U.S. Mail, not email. The County will either accept your offer, reject your offer, or make a counter offer. All offers must be paid in full.
9. When paying in full, the county will issue a Quitclaim Deed. The current recording fee is \$103.00 for a quitclaim deed.

Prior to doing research on any particular parcel, please contact Property Management to verify that it hasn't been sold and is still available.

For further information, please contact Lincoln County Property Management at the above phone number, address, or by e-mail ([propertymanagement@co.lincoln.or.us](mailto:propertymanagement@co.lincoln.or.us)).