

Disease, Pest & Fire Control District Numbers

Insect Control:

Cherry Fruit Fly 541-963-1010

Mosquito 541-963-2974 (May-Sept)

Plant Disease: Information on disease controls for Peppermint, Canola, Garlic/Onion, Grass Seed Varieties 541-963-1010

Noxious Weeds:

Weed Control 541-963-1032

Field Burning: Smoke Management Center 541-534-6625 (July 15-Sept 30)

Fire Departments: Most major towns have fire departments. Not all areas are in fire districts. Burning permits may be obtained from local fire departments or the Union County Sheriff 541-963-1017
Water Rights: County Water Master 541-963-1031

Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife: 541-963-2138

Oregon State Forestry: 541-963-3168

U.S. Forest

Service:

541-963-7186



Have a question?
963-1010

*Welcome to
the Country!*

AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATIONS

Union County Cattlemen's Association
Union County Cattlewoman's Association
Union County Cherry Growers Association
Union County Farm Bureau
Union County Peppermint Growers Association
Union County Seed Growers Association
Union County Soil and Water Conservation District
Union County Wheat League

UNION COUNTY

**It's Where Your
Food and
Shelter Start**



**The
Rural Look**

**Of
UNION
COUNTY**



Agriculture, livestock and timber are major industries in Union County. Awareness and understanding enables us to live and work together in harmony and prosperity while we protect Union County's important resources



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Farming & Livestock Practices

Some generally accepted practices may be unpleasant to urban dwellers. County land use and zoning ordinances are designed to minimize conflicts which sometimes occur in:

- **Field Cultivation**
- **Fertilizer/Pesticide Application**
- **Field Burning**
- **Livestock Production**
- **Water Rights**
- **Water Quality**

Field Cultivation may cause early morning/late evening dust and noise. Slow moving, wide vehicles may cause congestion on public roads, especially at harvest time.

Fertilizer/Pesticide Application by ground or aerial application requires licenses and regular training. Work is generally done during morning hours to utilize calm conditions in order to avoid non-target plants and places.

Field Burning requires a permit and is regulated by the Smoke Management Center.

Livestock Production involves both open or closed range areas. Open range requires that landowners fence unwanted livestock out and drivers are liable for animals hit on public roads. Closed range requires livestock owners to fence animals in. Livestock hit on public roads in closed range may make the owner liable.

Confined animals require minimum space per animal. This varies with species. Local planning commission offices can provide information for specific areas.

Livestock production may include

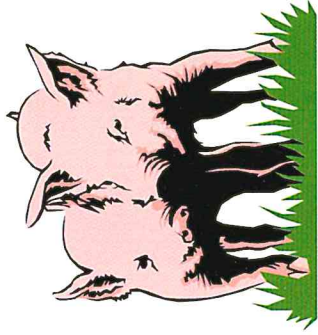
Feed Lots which may be occupied seasonally. Cow-calf

operations are generally operated during fall and winter. Feeder-fattening operations and hog farms are continuous. Full time feed lots may have an objectionable odor.

Water Rights uses and records are under the control of the County Water Master. **Water Quality** issues have been addressed in the Grande Ronde Basin by the Department of Agriculture. Grande Ronde Model Watershed has been instrumental as well working to improve issues deemed by the DEQ as water quality limited areas.

Wildlife is abundant and varied in Union County. Their activities are managed by the Oregon State Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Forestry, is governed by the Oregon Forest Practices Act and the Oregon Department of Forestry. Activities on national forests are regulated by the U.S. Forest Service



Cherry Fruit Fly Control is necessary to protect the marketability of the county's sweet cherry crop. All cherry trees including a single tree in your back yard must be sprayed in multiple applications for the cherry fruit fly worm.



Peppermint Production requires disease free certified rootstock. Used equipment from out of county must be sanitized before usage.

Garlic and Onion Production is dependant on disease free soil. Union County is a white rot control area which requires bulb and seed inspection.

Noxious Weeds are virulent and sometimes poisonous. They destroy productive land, livestock, seed, habitat as well as our beautiful environment. Union County is a Weed Control District.

Field Burning sanitizes soil and disposes of after harvest residue, especially in grass seed fields. To minimize the impact on the environment Union County Grass Seed Growers support a Smoke Management Center at Imbler which monitors weather and designates days that will least impact air quality.

Our agriculture, livestock and timber providers work hard to make sure Union County is a beautiful, prosperous and environmentally sound place to live and enjoy our beautiful surroundings!

