

OREGON CENTURY FARM & RANCH PROGRAM
2018 Applicant Approval Checklist

Name of applicant Chris E. Brown

Name of Farm or Ranch Brown Farm County Morrow

Notarized ☒ yes ___ no ___ Posted by May 1 ☒ yes ___ no ___ \$250 Application ☒ yes ___ no ___

Other fees (additional certificates, @ \$20 ea.), amount \$ —20— 1 extra cert

Total fees pd. \$ 270

1. Applicant is legal owner ☒ yes ___ no other ___

2. 100 years of continuous operation by same family ☒ yes ___ no ___

Comments _____

3. Not less than \$1,000 gross income per year for three out of last five years ☒ yes ___ no ___

Comments _____

4. Living on or actively managing and directing the farming or ranching activity on the land ☒ yes ___ no ___

Comments _____

5. Line of ownership from original settler or buyer through children, siblings, nephews or nieces. Adopted children will be recognized equally with other descendants ☒ yes ___ no ___

6. Official form used with all questions answered completely, including narrative ☒ yes ___ no ___

Comments _____

7. Documentation showing the date of earliest ownership (Donation Land Claim, Deed of Sale, Homestead Certificate, Family Bible, diary entry, or correspondence) ☒ yes ___ no ___

Comments _____

Photos included with application ☒ yes ___ no ___ Sent digital photos ☒ yes ___ no ___ flash drive

Additional information needed from applicant —

Concerns or questions _____

Application Approval/Reviewer Notes Identification of Family Stories for Narratives:

Reviewer #1: Initials DTB

Notes:

I have issues w/ Props - ^{all} CRP since 1986; how is this a farm?!

Reviewer #2: Initials: PO

Notes:

Meets Criteria (CRP Land still requires management)

Reviewer #3: Initials: LAL

Notes: we set the precedence last year for CRP being an allocated farm land use. B

Reviewer #4: Initials: JD

Notes:

The values of Conservation for 100 yrs is important. The continuous conservation management is a credit. A home for wildlife.

Reviewer #5: Initials: _____

Notes:

Provide at meeting:

- Blank copies of applications
- Copies of drafted narratives sent on hand
- Print digital pictures for review if only send digital
- Model "Timeline" added to application materials for applicants * This was not done, will do in 2016

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March 2018

Date: _____



Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program Application

Type of designation (please check one)



Century Farm



Century Ranch

Press Contact

(please check one)



YES, both applicant & contact person (if different)



YES, Applicant only



NO

(This give us permission to give members of the press who request it your contact information for possible articles about your farm or ranch)

Chris E. Brown

Legal owner / Applicant name _____

Farm or Ranch Name (this is the name used in all publicity & marketing)

Brown Farm

Mailing address of Legal Owner / Applicant _____

Redacted For Privacy

Telephone _____

Redacted For Privacy

E-mail address _____

Redacted For Privacy

Same as Above

Contact name (if different than legal owner) _____

Mailing address of contact _____

Contact telephone _____ E-mail address _____

Location of farm or ranch (which is the subject of this application):

Redacted For Privacy

County _____

4.5 Miles

Heppner, OR

Distance _____ from nearest town _____

Township _____ Township 2S Range _____ Range 25/26 East Section _____ Sections 13,18,23,24

Address or physical location of the farm or ranch (which is subject of this application)

Redacted For Privacy

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GPS (Global Positioning System) Coordinates, if known _____

Please attach a map or drawing showing the location of the eligible property within the context of the family farm or ranch.

Founder(s):

Original family owner(s) or founder(s) Chris P. Brown

Founder(s) prior Country or State if not Oregon Denmark

Date (year) this farm or ranch was acquired by founder(s) March 1, 1912
(Attach verifying documentation. See Application Qualification #7)

Who farms or ranches the land today? Chris E. Brown

Relationship of applicant to original owner. Clearly explain lineage from original ownership documents to current applicant. (See Application Qualification #7) Grandfather

How many acres were included in original farm or ranch? 350

How many acres are included today in the farm or ranch? 1348

How many acres are in agricultural use today? 948

If the farm or ranch has ever been rented or leased, please explain the owner's role in this relationship. For example, is the owner actively involved in the management of the land?

The farm has been in the same Brown family for 3 generations. Chris P. Brown following purchase of the land in 1912 farmed it and then passed or sold the property to his son--Paul C. Brown in 1941 who would live on and farm it until his death in 1998, then Paul's oldest son Chris E. Brown took over farm operations and management of the property and is who works and resides on it today.

History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch:

What were the early crops or livestock?

Brown Farm Operations:

Early crops were fall or winter soft white wheat (both Club and Bearded varieties) with some few acres of spring bearded Barley per FSA acreage allotment. Initial farm operations were done by horse and mule teams where the wheat and barley harvested annually was sacked with burlap. With the advent of equipment availability farm operations began to modernize and harvest was done by tractor pull machines until self propelled combines were purchased for harvest and Caterpillar tractor for tillage. Livestock: from the farm inception to the late 1980's, beef cattle were also raised (mostly Hereford variety) for production and also for farm use as a source of meat. Until the mid 1970's poultry were also raised annually again for a food source of meat and eggs.

List names and birth years:

Chris P. Brown born in Denmark in 1875, passed away in 1953.

Alta Brown (spouse) born in Ava, MO, in 1890 and passed away in 1976.

Paul C. Brown born in Heppner, OR in 1920 and passed away in 1998.

Betty J. Brown born in Burns, OR, in 1923 and passed away in 2012.

Chris E. Brown born in Portland, OR, in 1946 (currently residing on the Farm).

Mark C. Brown born in Pendleton, OR, in 1947 (currently residing in Oak Harbor, WA.)

The family history narrative:

Submit two or three pages of family history narrative, including, but not limited to generational transfers of the farm or ranch. Please also submit historical & current photos of the property & family, if available. Do *not* send original documents as they will not be returned. Digital format photos (at highest resolution [300 dpi]) are particularly desirable, so that they may be used in publications, the program's database or the web site. Submitted information, including photos, will be deposited in the OSU Libraries – Special Collections & Archives Research Center for future reference. Please send digital photos included with your application to cfr@oregonfb.org by **May 1**.

Type of information to include in your family history narrative:

- Where founder(s) may have moved from to farm or ranch
- Significant events in the family (births, deaths, marriages, etc.)
- Any major changes to operations (methods of production, etc.)
- Additional information on crops, buildings, other changes from the original farm or ranch
- Any special family farm or ranch stories you'd like to share, passing on techniques, interesting characters, & family folklore

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Statement of Affirmation

I, Chris E. Brown

Redacted For Privacy

hereby affirm and declare that the farm or ranch which I own at _____
_____, in the County of Morrow

has been owned by my family for at least 100 continuous years, as specified in the qualifications for the Century Farm & Ranch Program, on or before December 31 of the current calendar year. Further, I hereby affirm that this property meets all other requirements for Century Farm or Ranch honors, including that the farm or ranch has a gross income from farming or ranching activities of not less than \$1,000 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding making this statement. I understand that the application materials will become property of the OSU Libraries – Special Collections & Archives Research Center and be made available for public use. By signing below, I understand that I am consenting to the use of both information and photographs.

Chris Brown

FEB 27, 2018

Signature of Owner

Date

Certification by Notary Public

State of Oregon County of Morrow

Be it remembered, that on this 27th day of February, 2018, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared the within named Chris Brown, known to me to be the identical individual described in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that Chris Brown executed the same freely and voluntarily.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year last above written.



Hanna Jane Rinehart
Notary Public for Oregon
My Commission Expires July 05, 2021

Fees

Application Fee (includes one certificate & Roadside sign, Note \$50 of this fee is non-refundable)

\$ 250.00

Additional Certificates (\$20 each) \$ _____

Additional Signs (\$200 each)

Total Enclosed \$ _____

For office use only

Date Received _____

Approved? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Authorization _____

Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program Coordinator

Make checks payable to: Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education

Attachment to Century Farm Application:

BROWN FARM FAMILY HISTORY NARRATIVE (A Story of Pride in: "Family, Farm, and Country")

This story began when Chris P. Brown arrived in America from Nysted, Denmark in 1892 at the age of 17 after passage here aboard a sailing ship. It was in 1904 he first came to Morrow County after working his way across the United States, including going north through Canada to Alaska. Initially, he purchased a small farm along Willow Creek, about 4 miles northwest of Heppner. He would clear and level areas along the creek property from debris left during the 1903 Heppner Flood and established a flood irrigation system on that farm, traces of which still remain. Three years later he sold that property and returned to Denmark to assist his ailing mother. Early in the Spring of 1912, he came back to Morrow County and purchased the Cyrus Shinn homestead, a 350 acre dry land wheat farm adjacent to the same Willow Creek property he had previously owned. This would become the historical start of the Brown Farm property operations—with a deed recorded on March 1, 1912.

On September 22, 1917, Chris married Alta Spurlock who had followed her brother Milt Spurlock west to Oregon from their native State of Missouri. They would have two children, Mollie Carol who passed away in 1925 and a son Paul. Paul was actually born on the homestead home in June 1920 (that home still stands). He attended the first 3 grades of school at a County schoolhouse (which is also still situated on the Brown Farm), finished grade school in Lexington and graduated Heppner High School in 1937. Paul then enrolled in the school of engineering at Oregon State in 1937 and remained in school there until 1939. With WWII already ongoing in Europe, he left college and enlisted in the US Army, 31st Infantry Regiment and was sent to the Philippines. In 1942, he would be one of 12,000 Americans left on the Bataan peninsula and was ultimately captured by the Japanese on Corregidor. In August of 1945, after 40 months as a POW he was finally repatriated by US forces and arrived back in the US. He would then return to the Brown Farm and re-connect with a young lady from Burns, OR by

the name of Betty Jean Goodman whom he married in February 1946. Betty had herself served on active duty during World War II in the US Marine Corps and was stationed initially in Washington, DC and then Hawaii where after Pearl Harbor, she was the personal secretary for the CINCPAC Fleet Marine Force Commander (General Merritt Edson, USMC Medal of Honor recipient on Guadalcanal).

Although Paul and Betty took over Brown Farm operations immediately on their return from WWII in 1946, they would actually purchase the land (918 acres) and buildings known as the Brown Farm from his mother—Alta (Brown) Edger in May 1958. This transfer would officially signify the passing to the next generation of Brown ownership. Paul and Betty would raise two sons in--Chris born in 1946 and Mark in 1947. Growing up while working on the family farm both sons would attend and graduate Heppner High School. Chris attended Oregon State University graduating in 1969 and Mark the University of Oregon graduating in 1970. As war raged in SE Asia, perhaps it was the previous call of family service to Country that at that time would ultimately pull both sons away from the farm and into service to our Nation. Chris would receive a Commission as a 2LT Infantry in 1969 and soon was leading a combat Infantry rifle platoon in Vietnam. Twice decorated with the nation's 4th highest award for valor, he would continue a career in the Army for the next 27 years, commanding combat units up to Battalion level, then worked for the Secretary of Defense in the Pentagon before retiring at the rank of full COLONEL in 1997.

After college graduation Mark would attend Naval Aviation Officers Candidate School in Pensacola, FL. Following his commission in the US Navy, he would serve in Barbados and the Mediterranean theater before joining the Washington State Patrol (WSP) in the early 1970's. Following a 27 year career with WSP, he is now in his 12th year as the Island County Sheriff, in Coupeville, WA. Both Chris and Mark raised families with strong connections to the Brown Farm. Chris married a young lady named Kathy from Georgia and together they raised a son, Kyle who is now a Sergeant First Class in the US Army at Ft. Benning, GA with 2 combat tours in Afghanistan. Mark met the "love of his life" Kathi Phillips later in

life after raising his two sons—Robbie, who is a Lieutenant Commander in the US Naval Reserve and his other son, Christian who is a prosecuting attorney for King County in Seattle. While their son's careers may have taken them all over the world, the Brown Farm is still their "home away from home" to find solace and be with family and friends.

Paul and Betty actively worked the wheat and cattle farm for over 50 years and expanded operations with the purchase of additional 430 acres from Axel Berggren in 1961 (this purchase would be the final farm acreage total tally—1348 acres).

In Eastern Oregon, drought with occasional waterspouts pointed to the need for change in past farming practice and methodology. Paul was very interested in progressive farming methods, new varieties of crops and particularly soil conservation practices. Thus, he was one of the first farmers in Morrow County to lay out his entire acreage of wheat fields in contour strips to control soil erosion and reduce fire danger. This practice put half the farm's tillable acreage in summer-fallow on an annual basis. Later, he would build "farm over" diversions across his croplands designed to further control soil erosion.

In 1954, Paul was named Morrow County Conservation Man of the Year and was consequently on the cover of the Oregon Farmer State Magazine in August of 1955.

Then in 1986, the voluntary Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) for landowners in Morrow County was available for signup. Paul applied and enrolled 948 acres by seeding cropland acreage to a blend of natural grasses and alfalfa, thus effectively ending the active years of soft white wheat and barley production on the Brown Farm.

Paul and Betty remained on the farm and continued operational management for years to come. After Paul's passing in 1998, Betty would stay in her home on the farm until her own death in 2012. Son Chris, who had retired from the US Army in 1997 was by then working for the State in Pendleton and took over the Brown farm operational management in 1998 after his father's passing. With

the death of their mother Betty in 2012, the Brown Farm estate passed on directly to son's Chris and Mark. Chris had then moved back to the farm with his wife Kathy where they currently reside. It is here that the 3rd direct family generation story and/or legacy on the Brown Farm started and still continues today.

It should be noted that in the late 1990s, the emphasis on CRP renewal contracts had changed its primary focus from one of the initial erosion control, to now of one that encompasses wildlife habit management and improvement. In a longstanding Brown Farm family tradition of land conservation, Chris continues to manage the home CRP and rangeland acreage now with an aggressive annual focus on noxious weed control (particularly Yellow Star Thistle). Also, through a cost share partnership with ODFW and the Morrow County Soil Water Conservation District for some years, Chris has annually agreed to inter-seed approximately 40 acres of a variety blend of natural grasses to support mule deer and upland bird habitat into the CRP. He also has placed additional bird water guzzlers across the farm and has entered a landowner program with ODFW that annually allows "public hunting access" privileges. Through cooperation with ODFW and the Heppner High School FFA chapter, the Brown Farm now annually hosts a cooperative project that raises and releases young pheasants onto the home acreage.

On a closing note, back in the early 1960s, Paul Brown had entered an agreement with the William Sievers family whose land was and is still adjacent to the Brown Farm. Over the years, Paul farmed their land while enhancing it with the same farming practices as previously described. That Sievers Farm just also happened to be a Morrow County recipient of the Oregon Century Farm award just last year in Salem.

On behalf of the Browns (those here today and those gone), we stand proud together as a family with 3 generations (106 years) of legacy and pride in "Family, Farm, and Country."

Filed for Record this 1st day of March A. D. 1942
 at 1 o'clock 30 minutes P.M.
 16503 ✓ W. O. Hill County Clerk.
 Margaret Voos et vir TO ✓
 Chris P. Brown DEPOSED By Deputy.

Know all Men by these Presents, That Margaret Voos and W. M. Voos, her husband

of Morrow County ~~MC~~ State of Oregon, in consideration of Forty One hundred and fifty DOLLARS,
 to them paid by Chris P. Brown
 of Morrow County ~~MC~~ State of Oregon, have BARGAINED and SOLD,
 and by these presents do GRANT, BARGAIN, SELL and CONVEY unto said Chris P. Brown

heirs and assigns, all the following bounded and described real property, situated in the County of Morrow and State of Oregon:

The South half of Section Eighteen, in Township Two, South of Range Twenty-six, East of the Willamette Meridian.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and also all their estate, right, title and interest in and to the same including dower and claim of dower.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD The above described and granted premises unto the said Chris P. Brown

his heirs and assigns forever:

And Margaret Voos and W. M. Voos, her husband

Chris P. Brown that they are lawfully seized in fee simple of the above granted premises the above named grantee his heirs and assigns that the above granted premises are free from all incumbrances except a certain mortgage indebtedness due one Arthur Daly, of record in the office of the County Clerk of Morrow County, Oregon.

and that they will and their heirs, executors and administrators shall warrant and forever defend the above granted premises, and every part and parcel thereof against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever, except said mortgage indebtedness due the said Arthur Daly

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the grantor above named, hereunto set our hand and seal this 29th day of February A. D. 1942

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of us as Witnesses:

C. E. Woodson

John Hughes

Margaret S. Voos

William M. Voos

STATE OF OREGON,

County of Morrow ss. BE IT REMEMBERED That on this 29th day of February A. D. 1942 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the within named Margaret Voos and W. M. Voos, her husband,

who are known to me to be the identical person described in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes therein mentioned. And

on an examination made by me, separate and apart from said husband then and there acknowledged to me that executed the same freely and voluntarily and without fear, coercion or compulsion from anyone.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

C. E. Woodson

Seal.

Notary Public for Oregon.



CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND
 CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL
 MORROW COUNTY, OREGON RECORD
 Dated 420, 2018
 By Theresa Crawford
 Deputy Clerk

1 KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that ALTA EDGER (formerly Alta Brown)
 2 and WALTER R. EDGER, her husband, of Morrow County, State of Oregon, the parties of
 3 the first part for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar and other good
 4 and valuable consideration to them paid by PAUL BROWN and BETTY BROWN, husband
 5 and wife, of Morrow County, State of Oregon, the parties of the second part, have
 6 bargained and sold and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto
 7 the parties of the second part all the following described real property situate
 8 in Morrow County, State of Oregon, to-wit:

9 The East half (E $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Sec-
 10 tion twenty-three (23), Township Two (2) South, Range Twenty-
 11 five (25); the West half (W $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$),
 12 the North half (N $\frac{1}{2}$) of the Southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$), the North-
 13 west quarter of the Southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$), and the South half
 14 (S $\frac{1}{2}$) of the South half (S $\frac{1}{2}$) of Section twenty-four (24), Town-
 15 ship two (2) South, Range twenty-five (25), East of the Willam-
 ette Meridian.

16 ALSO, the South half (S $\frac{1}{2}$) and the Northwest quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$) of
 17 Section eighteen (18), Township two (2) South, Range twenty-six
 18 (26), East of the Willamette Meridian, in the County of Morrow,
 19 State of Oregon,

20 together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging
 21 or in anywise appertaining.

22 TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said real property unto the parties of the second
 23 part as an estate by entirety and unto their heirs and assigns forever; and the
 24 parties of the first part do covenant to and with the parties of the second part
 25 that they are lawfully seized of said real property in fee simple and that the
 26 same is free from all encumbrances and that they will, their heirs, executors and
 27 administrators shall warrant and forever defend said real property against the
 28 lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever.

29 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties of the first part have hereunto set
 30 hands and seals this 19th day of May, 1958.

31 Alta Edger
 32 Walter R. Edger



CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND
 CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL
 MORROW COUNTY, OREGON RECORD
 Dated 4/20, 2018
 Bobbi A. Childers, County Clerk
 Theresa Crawford
 Deputy Clerk

1 STATE OF OREGON)
2 County of Morrow) ss:

3 THIS CERTIFIES that on this 19th day of May, 1958 before me, the under-
4 signed, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, appeared the within
5 named ALTA EDGER and WALTER EDGER, her husband, to me personally known to be the
6 identical persons named in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged
7 to me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes
8 therein expressed.

9 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal as
10 of the day and year last above written.



Delores Duran
Notary Public for Oregon
My commission expires: January 1, 1961

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COUNTY OF MORROW (36) 88869
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I Certify that the within instrument was
received and filed for record on the 26th
day of May 1958, at 11:50 M
and duly recorded in book 63 page 32-33
Deed Records
Dwight Lindsay
Public Recorder

After Recording Return To:
KUHNS & SPICER
Redacted For Privacy

Address of Grantor(s):
Chris E. Brown, Co-Personal Representative
of Estate of Betty Jean Brown
Redacted For Privacy

Mark C. Brown, Co-Personal Representative
of Estate of Betty Jean Brown
Redacted For Privacy

Address of Grantee(s):
Chris E. Brown
Redacted For Privacy

Mark C. Brown
Redacted For Privacy

Until a change is requested, all tax statements shall be sent
to the following address:
Chris E. Brown
Redacted For Privacy

MORROW COUNTY, OREGON 2012-30638
D-PRD 07/31/2012 10:41:41 AM
Cnt=1 Stn=1 TC
\$15.00 \$11.00 \$15.00 \$10.00 \$51.00



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I, Bobbi Childers, County Clerk for Morrow
County, Oregon, certify that the instrument
identified herein was recorded in the Clerk
records.
Bobbi Childers - County Clerk



(Space Reserved for Recorder's Use)

Consideration: Completion of co-personal
representatives' responsibilities in the Estate of Betty
Jean Brown, Morrow County Circuit Court No.
12PR002 (see ORS 93.030).

DEED OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

CHRIS E. BROWN and MARK C. BROWN, co-personal representatives of the ESTATE OF BETTY JEAN BROWN, deceased, Grantors, convey to BROWN FARM, GENERAL PARTNERSHIP, Grantees, all of the estate's interest in the following described real property located in Morrow County, Oregon:

TRACT I:

The East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 23, Township 2 South, Range 25 East of the Willamette Meridian, in the County of Morrow and State of Oregon.

ALSO the West half of the Northwest quarter, the North half of the Southwest quarter, the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, and the South half of the South half of Section 24, Township 2 South, Range 25 East of the Willamette Meridian, in the County of Morrow and State of Oregon.

ALSO the West half of Section 18, Township 2 South, Range 26 East of the Willamette Meridian, in the County of Morrow and State of Oregon.

TRACT II:

The South half of the Northeast quarter, and the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 13, Township 2 South, Range 25 East of the Willamette Meridian, in the County of Morrow and State of Oregon.

ALSO the Northeast quarter, the East half of the Northwest quarter, and the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 2 South, Range 25 East of the Willamette Meridian, in the County of Morrow and State of Oregon.

The true and actual consideration for this conveyance is completion of the personal representative's responsibilities in the Estate of Betty Jean Brown, Morrow County Circuit Court No. 12PR002 (see ORS 93.030).

THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS INSTRUMENT MAY NOT BE WITHIN A FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PROTECTING STRUCTURES. THE PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO LAND USE LAWS AND REGULATIONS THAT, IN FARM OR FOREST ZONES, MAY NOT AUTHORIZE CONSTRUCTION OR SITING OF A RESIDENCE AND THAT LIMIT LAWSUITS AGAINST FARMING OR FOREST PRACTICES, AS DEFINED IN ORS 30.930,

IN ALL ZONES. BEFORE SIGNING OR ACCEPTING THIS INSTRUMENT, THE PERSON TRANSFERRING FEE TITLE SHOULD INQUIRE ABOUT THE PERSON'S RIGHTS, IF ANY, UNDER ORS 195.300, 195.301 AND 195.305 TO 195.336 AND SECTIONS 5 TO 11, CHAPTER 424, OREGON LAWS 2007, AND SECTIONS 2 TO 9 AND 17, CHAPTER 855, OREGON LAWS 2009. BEFORE SIGNING OR ACCEPTING THIS INSTRUMENT, THE PERSON ACQUIRING FEE TITLE TO THE PROPERTY SHOULD CHECK WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO VERIFY THAT THE UNIT OF LAND BEING TRANSFERRED IS A LAWFULLY ESTABLISHED LOT OR PARCEL, AS DEFINED IN ORS 92.010 OR 215.010, TO VERIFY THE APPROVED USES OF THE LOT OR PARCEL, TO VERIFY THE EXISTENCE OF FIRE PROTECTION FOR STRUCTURES AND TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE RIGHTS OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNERS, IF ANY, UNDER ORS 195.300, 195.301 AND 195.305 TO 195.336 AND SECTIONS 5 TO 11, CHAPTER 424, OREGON LAWS 2007, AND SECTIONS 2 TO 9 AND 17, CHAPTER 855, OREGON LAWS 2009.

DATED this 18 day of July, 2012.

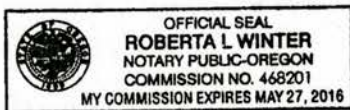
Chris E. Brown

Chris E. Brown, Co-Personal Representative of
The Estate of Betty Jean Brown, deceased

Mark C. Brown, Co-Personal Representative of
The Estate of Betty Jean Brown, deceased

STATE OF OREGON)
)ss.
County of Morrow)

The above instrument was acknowledged on this 18 day of July, 2012, by the above-named CHRIS E. BROWN to be his voluntary act as co-personal representative.



Roberta L. Winter
Notary Public for Oregon

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
)ss.
County of Island)

The above instrument was acknowledged on this ____ day of ____, 2012, by the above-named MARK C. BROWN to be his voluntary act as co-personal representative.

Notary Public for Washington

BROWN, CHRIS & MARK/ESTATE OF BETTY BROWN/LSK/DEED OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (07/06/12)

IN ALL ZONES. BEFORE SIGNING OR ACCEPTING THIS INSTRUMENT, THE PERSON TRANSFERRING FEE TITLE SHOULD INQUIRE ABOUT THE PERSON'S RIGHTS, IF ANY, UNDER ORS 195.300, 195.301 AND 195.305 TO 195.336 AND SECTIONS 5 TO 11, CHAPTER 424, OREGON LAWS 2007, AND SECTIONS 2 TO 9 AND 17, CHAPTER 855, OREGON LAWS 2009. BEFORE SIGNING OR ACCEPTING THIS INSTRUMENT, THE PERSON ACQUIRING FEE TITLE TO THE PROPERTY SHOULD CHECK WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO VERIFY THAT THE UNIT OF LAND BEING TRANSFERRED IS A LAWFULLY ESTABLISHED LOT OR PARCEL, AS DEFINED IN ORS 92.010 OR 215.010, TO VERIFY THE APPROVED USES OF THE LOT OR PARCEL, TO VERIFY THE EXISTENCE OF FIRE PROTECTION FOR STRUCTURES AND TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE RIGHTS OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNERS, IF ANY, UNDER ORS 195.300, 195.301 AND 195.305 TO 195.336 AND SECTIONS 5 TO 11, CHAPTER 424, OREGON LAWS 2007, AND SECTIONS 2 TO 9 AND 17, CHAPTER 855, OREGON LAWS 2009.

DATED this 19TH day of JULY, 2012.

Chris E. Brown, Co-Personal Representative of
The Estate of Betty Jean Brown, deceased

Mark C. B.

Mark C. Brown, Co-Personal Representative of
The Estate of Betty Jean Brown, deceased

STATE OF OREGON)
)ss.
County of Morrow)

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Notary Public for Oregon

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
)ss.
County of Island)

The above instrument was acknowledged on this 19th day of July, 2012, by the above-named MARK C. BROWN to be his voluntary act as co-personal representative.

Sheila K Smith
Notary Public for Washington



BROWN, CHRIS & MARK/ESTATE OF BETTY BROWN/LSK/DEED OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE (07/06/12)

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That

AXEL BERGGREN, aka AXEL N. BERGGREN and AGNES BERGGREN,

husband and wife,

grantor S,

in consideration of Ten and No/100 (\$10.00) Dollars,

and other good and valuable consideration

to them paid by

PAUL C. BROWN and BETTY JEAN BROWN,

husband and wife, grantees,

do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said grantees, as tenants by the entirety, their heirs and assigns, all the following real property, with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances, situated in the County of Morrow and State of Oregon, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

The South half (S 1/2) of the Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) and the East half (E 1/2) of the Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Thirteen (13); the Northeast quarter (NE 1/4), the East half (E 1/2) of the Northwest quarter (NW 1/4) and the Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of the Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 24, all in Township 2 South, Range 25 East of the Willamette Meridian, in Morrow County, State of Oregon.

Subject to easements and rights of ways of record, and further subject to any reservations contained in patents issued by the United States.

To Have and to Hold the above described and granted premises unto the said grantees as tenants by the entirety, their heirs and assigns forever.

And we, the grantors, covenant that we are lawfully seized in fee simple of the above granted premises free from all incumbrances, up to and including taxes due and payable for the period ending June 30, 1961,

and that we will and our heirs, executors and administrators, shall warrant and forever defend the above granted premises, and every part and parcel thereof, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever.

Witness our hands and seals this 28th day of April, 1961.

Axel Berggren (SEAL)

Agnes Berggren (SEAL)

(SEAL)

(SEAL)

STATE OF OREGON,

County of Lane ss.

On this 28th day of April, 1961,

before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the within named aka AXEL N. BERGGREN and AGNES BERGGREN,

husband and wife,

who are

known to me to be the identical individual S. described in and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year last above written.

Notary Public for Oregon.
My Commission expires 5-28-62

WARRANTY DEED

AXEL N. BERGGREN, et ux

TO

PAUL C. BROWN, et ux

AFTER RECORDING RETURN TO

(DON'T USE THIS SPACE; RESERVED FOR RECORDING LABEL IN COUNTIES WHERE USED.)

STATE OF OREGON;

County of Morrow ss.

I certify that the within instrument was received for record on the 11th day of May, 1961, at 1:25 o'clock P.M., and recorded in book 66 on page 196. Record of Deeds of said County.

Witness my hand and seal of County affixed.

Sadie Parrish
County Clerk—Recorder.

By Deputy.

Brown Ranch

FARM 48
TRACT 56

Field 40
438.12 ac.

17.1 ac.

27.3 ac.

11.4 ac.

Field 24
74.98 ac.

3.8 ac.

Field 19
42.29 ac.

Field 25
60.67 ac.

13.8 ac.

4.8 ac.

Field 1
45.2 ac.

Field 37
38.35 ac.

Field 38
84.55 ac.

Field 30
12.74 ac.

4.6 ac.

27 ac.

4.7 ac.

Field 41
418.8 ac.

11.9 ac.

Field 39
88.47 ac.

7.6 ac.

1.5 ac.

7.3 ac.

2.6 ac.

2.5 ac.

Legend

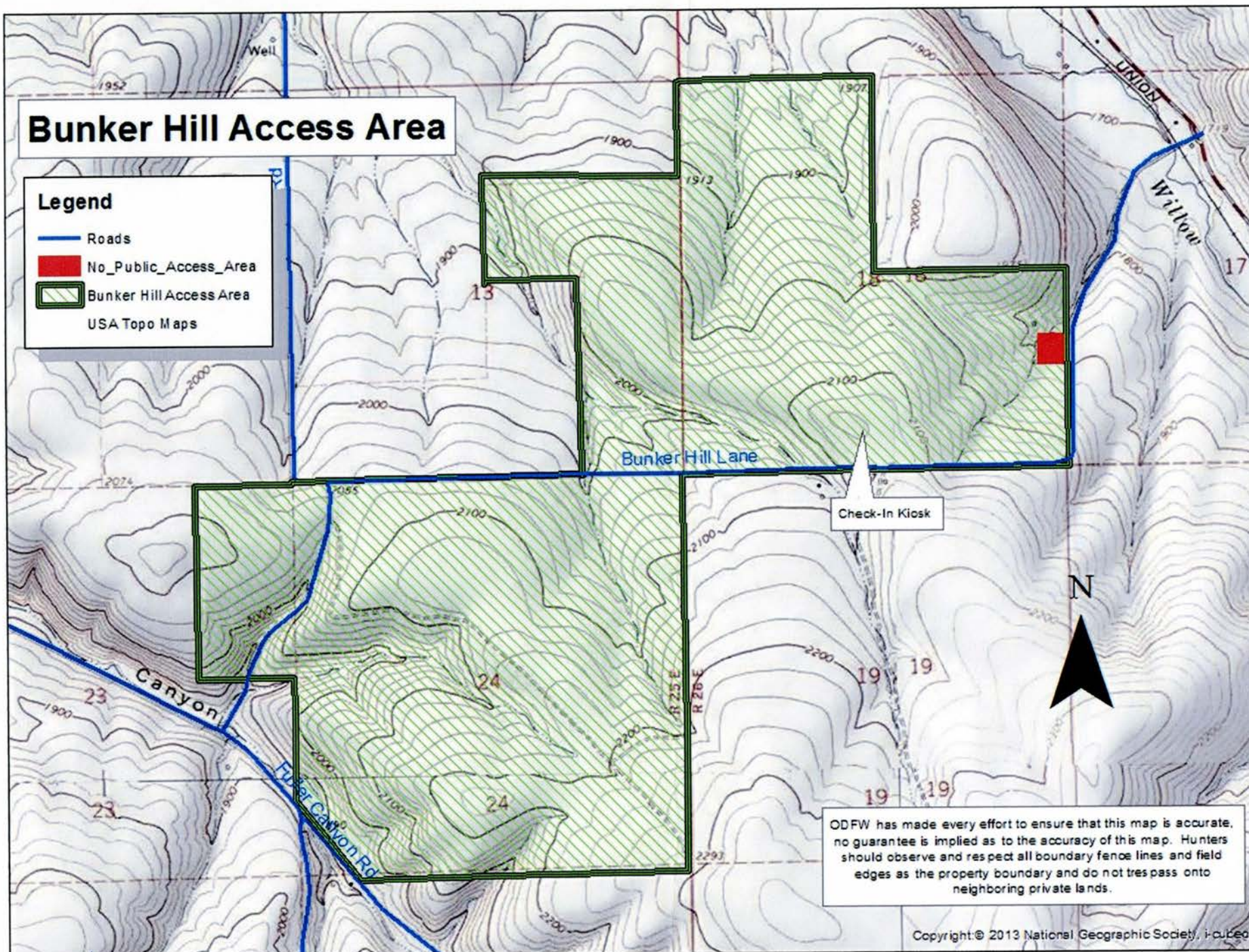
- Boundary of Brown Ranch
- Brown ranch's CRP Land
- Existing Guzzlers
- Tall Grass Structure 2018
- Wildlife Habitat Pre 2018
- Wildlife Habitat 2018
- Past Foodplots

R 25 E, T 2S, Sections 13, 23, 24
R 26 E, T 2S, Sections 18

Bunker Hill Access Area

Legend

- Roads
- No_Public_Access_Area
- Bunker Hill Access Area
- USA Topo Maps



ODFW has made every effort to ensure that this map is accurate, no guarantee is implied as to the accuracy of this map. Hunters should observe and respect all boundary fence lines and field edges as the property boundary and do not trespass onto neighboring private lands.

March 1, 2018

To: Andrea Kuenzi

Program Coordinator

Oregon Century Farm Program

Oregon Farm Bureau, Foundation for Education

1320 Capitol St. NE, Suite 200

Salem, OR 97301

**Subject: Completed Application Packet for Oregon Century Farm
Award Consideration in year 2018**

The following packet is submitted per the Oregon Century Farm application guidelines. I am the legal owner of a farm that has been operated continuously in the same family now for 106 years and thus apply for your agency consideration.

Within the supporting documentation enclosed, you will find verification of family ownership located at subsequent tabs within this application. While continuous farm operations ensued without interruption, the actual physical change or passage of ownership included is as follows:

- Initial farm deed land to Chris P. Brown Mar 1, 1912**
- Sold by mother Alta (Brown) Edger in May 1958 to Paul and Betty Brown (Alta's husband had Chris passed in 1953)**
- Following death of Betty in January 2012 (Paul preceded her in death in 1998), the Brown Farm was passed to son's Chris and Mark where it resides today**

An additional copy of a deed is also included in the packet whereby an additional approximate 400 acres was purchased by Paul and Betty from an Axel Berggren on 28 April, 1961 (that purchase would result in the total acreage of operations that has not changed).

A current map of the Brown Farm with township, section and range is included as an attachment per requests. Also, a copy of the Bunker Hill Access Area map that is referenced in the narrative

(has to do with public hunting cooperative partnership with ODFW) is attached within.

Per the application guidance, I have enclosed a Lexar "thumb drive" which includes family photo's that support the complete nomination packet. I have written in the note pages under each photo for you a description of what the individual picture is all about or otherwise depicts.

Note: I do not need this returned, but if you want to keep it, and this application is accepted, then I can pick it up at the final award ceremony in Salem.

I'm in hopes that this packet is as enclosed is complete. Should you have further questions, and/or need additional information, please contact me at the following address:

Chris Brown

Redacted For Privacy

Ph: Redacted For Privacy

Email: Redacted For Privacy

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Chris Brown

Attach: as enclosed within this application