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## Restore Oregon Works to Save Oregon's Agricultural and Rural Heritage; Presents the 2019 Heritage Barn Workshop to Help Save, Reuse, and Pass-Forward Barns

PORTLAND, OR – June 25, 2019 – On Saturday, September 14, Restore Oregon will host their 6th annual Heritage Barn Workshop in Bend, Oregon. The 2019 Heritage Barn Workshop will provide barn owners practical solutions from experts on how to maintain, rehabilitate, and adapt old barns for today's needs. Attendees will learn about the history and construction of barns as well as maintenance, stabilization, funding opportunities, and preservation. The workshop will also highlight the crucial steps toward transitioning the family farm to future generations. Attendees will have the unique opportunity to experience live hand-hewing demonstrations by David Rogers, founder and operator of Logs & Timbers, LLC, who has over 40 years experience in log building restoration.

Heritage barns are an iconic symbol of Oregon's agricultural and rural heritage. With the rapid changes in farming and ranching, diminishing resources, and loss of skilled craftspeople with knowledge of barn preservation and restoration, there is a special urgency for preservationists to partner with the agricultural community. Restore Oregon, through its <a href="Heritage Barns Task Force">Heritage Barns Task Force</a> formed in 2011, has made it a priority to bring together the state's most well-versed experts to share their experiences and skills. "We are honored to offer this opportunity to support Oregon ranchers, farmers, barn owners, barn enthusiasts, and their allies in sharing their passion for our agricultural heritage and their ability to retain and enhance its usefulness into the future." said Peggy Moretti, Restore Oregon Executive Director.

The annual Heritage Barn Workshop will be held in Bend at the Bend Park and Recreation District's historic Hollinshead Barn. Restore Oregon has partnered with the Deschutes County Historic Landmarks Commission to provide this exceptional educational opportunity. Space is limited. Purchase tickets at <a href="https://www.retoreoregon.org">www.retoreoregon.org</a>.

## Event Details: 2019 Annual Heritage Barn Workshop

When: Saturday, September 14 from 10 AM - 5:30 PM

Cost: \$40 per ticket, includes lunch. Tickets on sale at <u>www.restoreoregon.org</u>

Location: Hollinshead Barn in Bend, Oregon

1235 NE Jones Rd, Bend, OR 97701

Learn more at <u>www.restoreoregon.org</u> or call 503-243-1923 for more information.

About Restore Oregon: Founded in 1977, Restore Oregon is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization which advocates for sound preservation policy and legislation. Our mission is to preserve, reuse and pass forward the historic places that create livable communities. Each year, we provide statewide educational programming and technical assistance, while working to save the sites and structures featured on our annual list of Oregon's Most Endangered Places. We hold over 40 conservation easements on historic properties, thereby protecting them in perpetuity. Learn more at www.restoreoregon.org

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