

## Tony Doran

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**From:** Robert Bosak <Bob.RCR@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 11:27 AM  
**To:** Chuck Gregory  
**Subject:** Third response to Tony's request.

RE: RESPONSE TO LETTER FROM NEIGHBOR

Dear Mr. Scott:

I am writing this letter in response to the letter you submitted to the city for inclusion into the public record regarding mowing the field on a semi-annual basis as part of lot 5 Hazelbrook Estates. Regarding your concern asking for field mowing on a semi-annual basis of lot 5 Hazelbrook Estates, I contacted the following agencies for clarification of any requirements to address your issue.

Clean Water Services—I spoke to Lindsey Overmiller with Clean Water Services specifically about mowing a field of grass in a wetland area. They have no rules or restrictions concerning mowing maintenance.

Oregon Department of State Lands-Anita Huffman- They have no rules concerning field mowing.

City of Tualatin- City Code per city website

Maintenance of the "wetland area" is permitted per Tualatin City Code 6-4-090 which requires mowing of grass 10" high. Mowing can be completed before or after August 1 and requires property owners to mow once during the year. As part of this section, note 6-4-060 states "Uncontrolled or uncultivated growth of weeds, brush, poison oak, poison ivy, tansy, ragwort, blackberry bushes, or grasses on developed, partially developed, or undeveloped property, which offer vector or rodent harborage, contribute noxious pollens to the atmosphere, constitute a fire hazard or unreasonably interfere with the use and enjoyment of abutting public or private property. Uncontrolled or uncultivated growth on public land or designated private conservation areas specifically for the purpose of providing native wildlife habitat shall not constitute a nuisance."

Please note the final sentence above addresses wildlife habitat. As you know, we have an abundance of deer and other wildlife in this pasture on a regular basis. I also allow Cindy's House of Horses to use this property for riding and if they so choose, to graze horses.

Given the unmowed fields adjacent to your property, the wooded nature of the area and the lack of access by the public to this area, I believe the fire danger is quite low.

I will make a good faith effort to continue mowing this on a regular basis as it has been done for the past 27 years.

Sincerely,

*Robert E. Bosak*