

CFR 1122

Donald Powell

Century Farm & Ranch Program Application

Date 11/22/06

Type of designation (please check) Century Farm Century Ranch

Legal owner / Applicant name Donald W. Powell

Mailing address of Legal Owner / Applicant Redacted for Privacy

Telephone Redacted for Privacy E-mail address _____

Contact name (if different than legal owner) _____

Mailing address of Contact _____

Contact Telephone _____ Contact E-mail address _____

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

County Benton

Distance 5 mi from nearest town CORVALLIS OR ALBANY (1/2 way between)

Township _____ Range _____ Section _____

Address or physical location of the farm or ranch (which is subject of this application):
Redacted for Privacy

(1/2 way between Corvallis + Albany)

GPS (Global Positioning System) Coordinates, if known: _____

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Founder(s):

Original family owner(s) or founder(s) P.J. & Dorothea Schmidt (great grandfather of applicant)

Date (year) this farm or ranch was acquired by founder(s) filed October 31, 1903
(Attach verifying documentation. See Application Qualification #7)

Who farms or ranches the land today? Donald & Sandra Powell and 3 children
Lee, Brenda and Erica Powell Zinn

Relationship of Applicant to original owner. Please explain lineage. (See Application Qualification #7)

great grand son,
P.J. & Dorothea great grandparents 1903
William & Carlie Schmidt - grandparents 1911
Garland Schmidt Powell 1966
Donald Powell & Sandra Powell 1973

History of buildings:

Are any of the original buildings still in use? Yes No not really -

If yes, please describe the buildings and their former and current use:

Built in 1925 - a barn that was used for milking cows, hay storage,
parking tractors. But this is not from 1903 owner.
Now it is used for the garden store and gift shop
for our nursery.

Are any of the buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places? Yes No

If "yes", please describe:

History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch:

What were the early crops or livestock? Grain, hay, prunes, filberts + cows

How many acres were included in original farm or ranch? 98 acres to W.M. A. Smidt

How did the crops / livestock / use of farm or ranch change over the years? (Included in narrative)

filberts, prunes, grain, hay were raised until
Chrysanthemums as raised cuttings - then buying for
resale many nursery plants, trees, perennials
annuals. Today we sell all nursery materials
and grow some perennials and annual plants.

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History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch - Cont'd:

What are crops / livestock raised on the subject farm or ranch today?

How many acres does the subject farm or ranch include today?

21.93 acres

How many acres are in agricultural use today? (includes retained ^{as} lease)

6 acres

The Family:

How many generations live on the farm or ranch today? 3 generations

Please list names and birth years:

Don Powell 2-22-35
Brenda Powell 10-20-62
Lee Powell 9-25-64
Erica Powell 7-31-70
Cali Powell 7-4-1972
Maddy Powell 3-17-1995

Please 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, as available.

Type of information to include in your family history narrative:

- Where founder(s) may have moved to farm or ranch from
- 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

(Please continue application on next page.)

Statement of Affirmation

I, Donald W. Powell
hereby affirm and declare that the farm or ranch which I own at Redacted for Privacy
in the County of Benton

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 Oregon Historical Society Library and be made available for public use. By signing below, I understand that I am consenting to the use of both information and photographs.

Donald W Powell Signature of Owner
11-22-06 Date

Certification by Notary Public

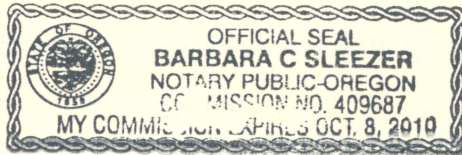
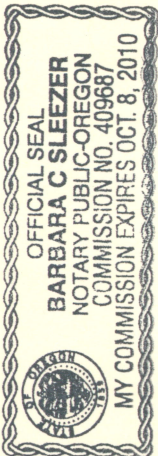
State of Oregon
County of Benton

Be it remembered, that on this 22 day of November, 2006, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared the within named Donald W Powell, known to me to be the identical individual described in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he 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.

Barbara C Sleezer

Notary Public for Oregon
My Commission Expires 10/8/10



Fees

Application Fee
(includes one certificate) \$ 65.00
Additional Certificates (\$20 each) \$ _____
Total enclosed \$ 65.00

Make checks payable to:
Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation or OAEF

For office use only

Date Received 2006 / 2007 AWARD YEAR

Approved? Yes No

Authorization GM
Century Farm & Ranch Program Coordinator
OHS Library

MSS 1604 Program ID No. C7R1122

Our farm at 5470 NE Hwy. 20 (1/2 way between Albany and Corvallis) has been in the same family since October 31, 1903 when the deed was filed by P.J. Schmidt and Dorothea Schmidt. The same piece of property's deed was filed by William A. and Corlie Schmidt on February 27, 1911. Their only child, Garland Schmidt Powell inherited the farm in 1966 upon the death of her mother. Upon Garland's death in 1973. her only child Donald W. Powell and wife Sandra J. Powell inherited the farm and still live there with two of their three children—Brenda, Lee, and Erica in separate residences.

From 1903 until 1937 it was totally farmed for filberts, grain, prunes, hay, cattle and horses were also part of the farm. It was essential for Corlie and William Schmidt to obtain a nursery license in April 1937 as they were importing Turkish Filberts to use as understock for grafting purpose. They also had to have a name for the nursery so they named it Garland Nursery for their only child. Gradually a small nursery developed while they were still farming the acreage.

Garland had left for Oregon Agricultural College (now O.S.U.) to obtain a degree in Botany and then went on to receive her Master's degree. While in college she met the love of her life, Lee A. Powell who had a degree in Education. Together they started their teaching experience in Bay City, Oregon. Next they returned to Philomath where Lee was a coach and principal of Philomath High School. Garland taught Botany at Oregon State for 12 years and co—authored a book with Helen Gilkey on Native Plants of Oregon. The next teaching positions were in Myrtle Point and LaGrande, Oregon.

Upon the death of William Schmidt in 1944, Lee and Garland returned to operate the farm with Garland's mother. They began to grow chrysanthemum cuttings and had an extensive catalog and mail order business. Even today we have requests for the catalog that doesn't now exist.

Gradually plants were added to the nursery for retail sales—rhododendrons, azaleas, camellias, trees and needled evergreens. Soon overhead structures were needed to protect the plants.

Lee Powell died from cancer in 1951 at the age of 48. Their only son, Donald, a Sophomore at Corvallis High School then farmed the acreage. He attended Oregon State College graduating in 1958 with a degree in Landscape Construction. Upon graduation he went into a nursery, design and landscape business in Gig Harbor, WA with three classmates.

In the late fifties Corlie Schmidt sold ^{appraisal} 74.07 acres to U.S.D.A with 21.3 acres remaining for the retail nursery. ^{State BOR}

Donald married Sandra Nichols in Gig Harbor, WA in 1960, Upon her graduation from Washington State College in 1961 with a degree in Home Economics/Education in 1961 they were married. Don continued his landscape business and Sandra taught Jr. High Home Ec in Port Orchard, Wa.

In the summer of 1962 Donald and Sandra moved to Corvallis to help operate the Nursery which was growing as was Corvallis. They lived one mile from the nursery for two years then built and moved to the nursery/farm property. Their three children were born—Brenda in 1962, Lee in 1964 and Erica in 1970. All three attended Oregon State University. Brenda graduated in 1985 with a degree in horticulture. Lee started at O.S.U. but transferred to Louisiana State University his sophomore because O.S. had dropped the Landscape Architecture department. He graduated in 1988 with a degree in Landscape Architecture and is a registered Landscape Architect in Oregon. He worked for Bechtel engineering in San Francisco for five years but then moved to back to the nursery when he and Linda started their family. Erica, the youngest, did not complete a degree at O.S.U but decided to be a travel agent for ten years.

In 1995, all of the 5th generation were back working at Garland Nursery and two of them live on the property.

There are two girls in the 6th generation—Cali age 14 and Maddy age 11 who live on the property and work part time in the summer watering, weeding, and mowing.

*actually a deed was filed
in Corlie's name
↑ April, 1942*

Corlie Schmidt passed away in 1966 at 95 years of age and Garland inherited the property. Garland passed away in 1973 after a long bout with cancer. At this time Don and Sandra inherited the property which is still in their name

The 21.3 acres in the name of Donald and Sandra Powell who still live and work with their three offspring in the nursery/farm.

Garland Nursery has 6 acres of retail sales area and the barn from earlier generations serves as the Garden Center and gift area. We try to stock everything from annuals to trees, lawn seed to pesticides and some tools, as well. The hayloft is used for storage with both exterior and interior staircases. The cow milking and horse stall area is the gift shop.

We are well established and will celebrate our 70th anniversary in April, 2007 (started in 1937). So as you can see from ⁹⁶ acres of farm land with several crops, the fifth and sixth generations are now using the 21⁹³ acres for one of the largest destination retail nurseries in Oregon. With twelve hoop house structures for winter protection and under cover shopping and for storage of hardgoods and backstock plants and protection we are able to operate year round and provide income for four families and 12-30 employees,(seasonal and full-time.)

It is our hope that we might be honored with a Century Farm certificate.

Donald W & Sandra Powell

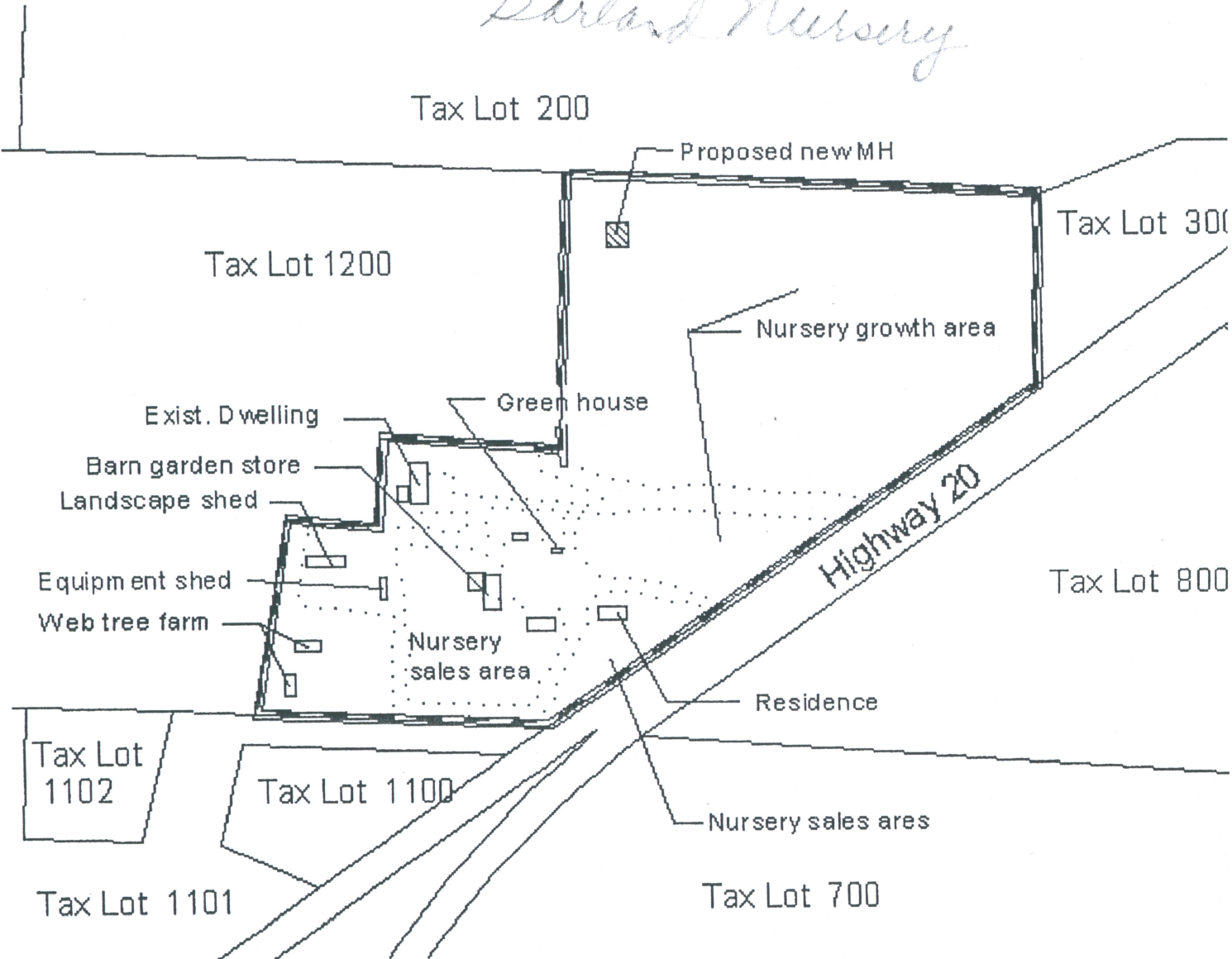
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Township 11S
Range 4W
Section 08
TAX LOT 400

Benton County Deed Records
M-17017

S-01-25 Staff Report

Garland Nursery

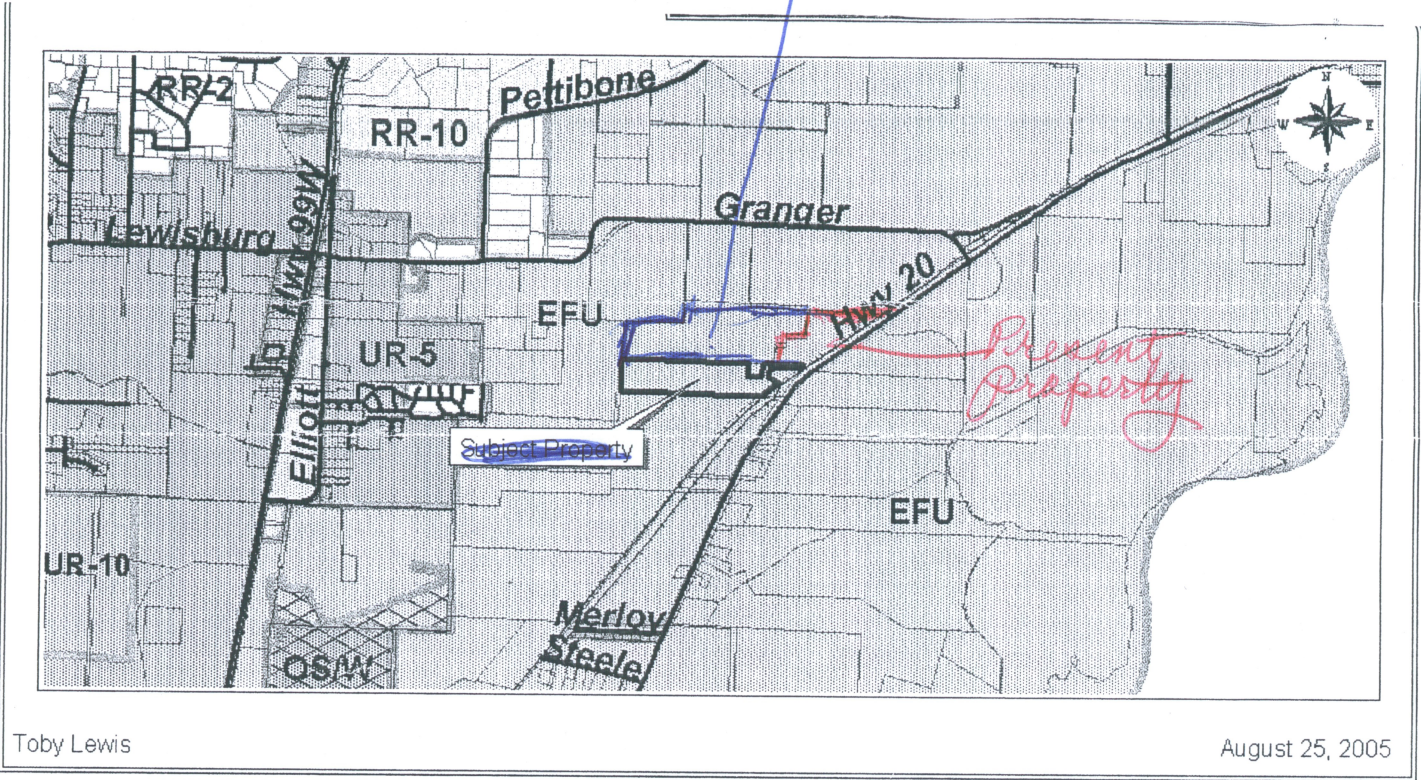


III. FINDINGS OF FACT

The subject property is a separate legal parcel first described and recorded as M-17017 County Deed of records.

The subject property includes approximately 21.93 acres, and is located within the EFU

original farm



Toby Lewis

August 25, 2005

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Five generations of the Powell Family have operated Garland Nursery since it opened in 1937. Visit our 6 acres of plants, trees and accessories!



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IN THE GARDEN**

July 22 & 23 ■ 10am-4pm

753-6601

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Halfway between Albany & Corvallis

www.garlandnursery.com

THROUGH THE YEARS...

THE GARLAND NURSERY

FAMILY ALBUM



1900's
Corlie & William
Schmidt begin a
farm off Hwy.
20 in Corvallis



1905
Garland Marie Schmidt



1937
Corlie & William Schmidt
start a nursery and name
it for their only daughter
"Garland"



1957 Corlie Schmidt (far left)
is princess of Corvallis
Centennial parade.



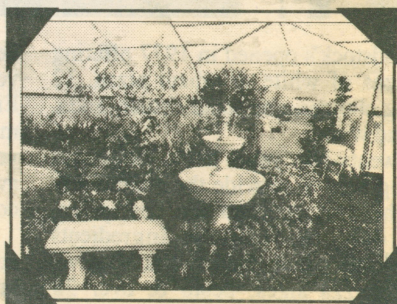
1993
"The New Look" express
checkout and expanded
parking



1997
3rd & 4th Generations
(Sandra, Don, Lee, Brenda
& Erica)
"It's in our roots to grow"



Since 1937



1999 covered shopping areas

Located on Hwy. 20 half way between Albany and Corvallis

IT'S IN OUR ROOTS TO GROW!



Corlie

William



Garland
(William & Corlie's only daughter)



Lee



Don
(Garland's only son)



Sandra



Erica



Brenda



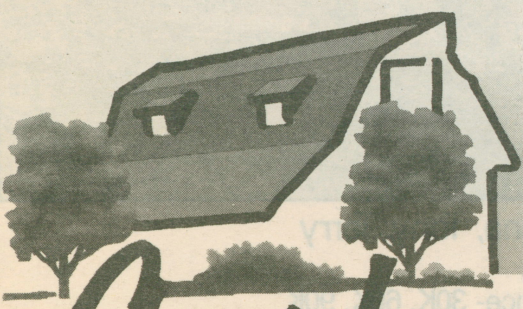
Lee



Linda



Cali & Madeline



Garland
NURSERY

HOURS
M-F 9-6
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Sun 10-5

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