



Temporary Safe Stay Area FAQ:

What is the Temporary Safe Stay Area?

The Temporary Safe Stay Area (TSSA) is an area designated for people who are homeless and camping at Juniper Ridge. The Deschutes County Board of Commissioners and the Bend City Council agreed to establish the TSSA and work collaboratively to mitigate health and safety issues associated with unmanaged camping in the area. In Spring 2025, the city notified individuals camping on city owned land east of the railroad tracks that they must move to the TSSA before May 31, 2025.

The TSSA is not intended to accommodate new campers in the area. It is a temporary solution to help existing homeless campers at Juniper Ridge transition into better living situation. The TSSA is expected to be closed by December 2026.

Where is the Temporary Safe Stay Area located?

The TSSA is 170 acres of county and city owned property at Juniper Ridge, which is northeast of Bend. It includes 50 acres of County-owned land and 120 acres of City-owned land and is located east of U.S. 97 and west of the railroad tracks. (See map).

Why establish the Temporary Safe Stay Area?

The intent of establishing the TSSA is to mitigate the health and safety risks associated with unmanaged camping at Juniper Ridge.

What types of services will be provided?

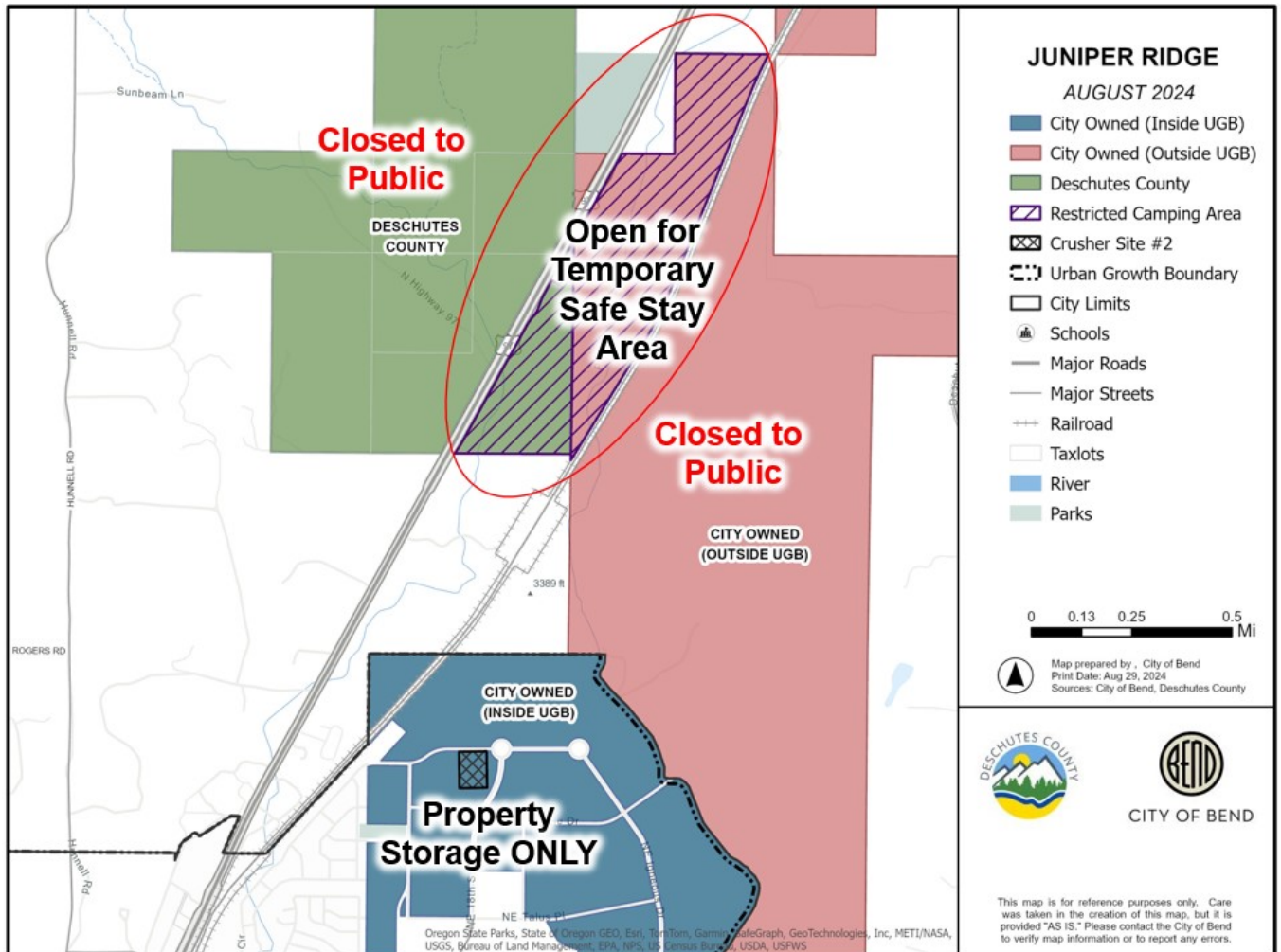
The joint agency agreement allows for the continuation of services currently being provided at Juniper Ridge, including sanitation services like drinking water stations, trash removal, hand washing stations and portable toilets. Security services in the area will also be expanded.

The City and County are funding the work of housing-based service providers to offer intensive case management to reduce housing barriers and help individuals transition into shelters or more permanent housing. County and City officials also agreed to continue working with the Coordinated Houselessness Response Office (CHRO) to allocate and leverage county-wide resources to assist in case management and operations.

How is the TSSA funded?

The Temporary Safe Stay Area is being jointly funded by the County and the City, with the County contributing \$400,000 and the City allocating \$731,000 of its American Rescue Plan Act funds, for a total project cost of \$1,131,000.





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