

Understanding the Local Transient Lodging Tax (TLT) in Coos Bay, North Bend & Charleston and Coos County

Statewide TLT History & Facts:

- 2003 The State of Oregon passes ORS 320.305 allowing the state to impose a 1% Statewide Lodging tax and setting limits on what local DMOs can spend local lodging taxes on. ONLY New Local Taxes subject to the 70% / 30% split per state law.
- Solidifies the split of any New taxes (instituted after July 2, 2003) at 70% to tourism promotions and tourism facilities and 30% to local taxing jurisdiction.
- Any existing taxes are grandfathered in at the split which had been in place prior to the law. Every municipality has a split and not all are the same!
- In Coos Bay and North Bend: 2/7th to VCB and 5/7th to the taxing entity to spend as they see fit.

Coos Bay North Bend TLT History & Facts:

- 1973 City of Coos Bay institutes 5% Lodging Tax.
- **1983 Joint Tourism Committee created** with North Bend; North Bend begins collecting 5% Lodging Tax.
- 1990 Committee becomes the North Bend-Coos Bay Tourism & Promotion Committee.
- 1993 The 5% Lodging Tax Increases to 7%.
- 1997 New agreement changes name to Coos Bay/North Bend Tourism Promotion Committee and allows for hiring staff to manage promotions.

Coos Bay North Bend TLT History & Facts:

- 2010 The first Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) is signed between Cities of Coos Bay & North Bend and the Coquille Indian Tribe creating Coos Bay-North Bend Visitor & Convention Bureau (VCB) and cementing the lodging tax split which had been in effect up to that point.
- The VCB receives 2/7th of the Lodging Taxes collected by each city and the Tribe.
- Funds are used to market the area under the Brand Oregon's Adventure Coast.

Coos Bay North Bend TLT History & Facts:

- 2018 The City of Coos Bay contracts with the VCB to manage the Coos Bay Visitor Center (VIC) – funds for this are separate from the TLT remitted to the VCB for tourism promotion as per the IGA.
- 2019 The IGA partners agree to increase the Lodging Tax by 2.5%. (New amount subject to 70/30 split. With existing tax split, VCB receives ≈ 39%.)
- 2022 Charleston area lodging tax instituted by Coos County. VCB receives 39% of these new taxes, 31% earmarked for Charleston Visitor Center, totalling 70% as per state law. Coos County joins IGA.

Coos County BDGR Assessment History & Facts:

- 2015 Coos County attempts to pass a County Wide Lodging Tax of 10% which failed at the Ballot.
- Bandon Dunes Golf Resort opts to Voluntarily ASSESS
 Lodging Clients at 6% and gives these funds to Coos
 County.
- Since this Assessment is not considered a Lodging Tax, it is not subject to the same TLT split.
 - MOU Agreement spells out split of 70% to Coos County for Public Safety with 30% to Tourism Marketing going to Travel Southern Oregon Coast.

LODGING TAX SPLIT

LODGING TAX SPLIT EXPLAINED – COOS BAY/NORTH BEND

TAX RATE – 9.5% collected at commercial lodging properties in Coos Bay, North Bend, at the properties of the Coquille Indian Tribe.

7% Original Tax Rate

Split

- 5/7th/ 72% Stays with Taxing Entity
- 2/7th/ 28% to VCB to market the area as a tourism destination

2.5% Added Tax Rate

Split

- 30% Stays with Taxing Entity
- 70% to VCB to market the area as a tourism destination

AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF LODGING TAX TO VCB ≈ 39%

LODGING TAX SPLIT EXPLAINED – COOS BAY/NORTH BEND 61% of



LODGING TAX SPLIT EXAMPLE – COOS BAY/NORTH BEND

A taxing entity collects Lodging Taxes on overnight stays with Hotel Revenues of \$2.5 Million. Tax collected = \$237,500

This is just an example. Actual room revenues are not included here.

7% Original Tax Rate = \$175,000

2.5% Added Tax Rate = \$62,500

Split

- 72% to Taxing Entity = \$126,000
- 28% to VCB = \$49,000

Split

- 30% to Taxing Entity = \$18,750
- 70% to VCB = \$43,750

VCB GETS = \$92,750 ≈ 39% TAXING ENTITY KEEPS = \$144,750 ≈ 61%

LODGING TAX SPLIT EXAMPLE – COOS BAY/NORTH BEND

A taxing entity collects Lodging Taxes on overnight stays with Hotel Revenues of \$9.5 Million. Tax collected = \$902,500

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7% Original Tax Rate = \$665,000

2.5% Added Tax Rate = \$237,500

Split

- 72% to Taxing Entity = \$478,800
- 28% to VCB = \$186,200

Split

- 30% to Taxing Entity = \$71,250
- 70% to VCB = \$166,250

VCB GETS = \$352,450 ≈ 39% TAXING ENTITY KEEPS = \$550,050 ≈ 61%

LODGING TAX SPLIT EXAMPLE – COOS COUNTY

A taxing entity collects Lodging Taxes on overnight stays with Hotel Revenues of \$6.3 Million. Tax collected = \$598,500

This is just an example. Actual room revenues are not included here.

9.5% Original Tax Rate = \$598,500

Split

- 30% to Taxing Entity = \$179,550
- 39% to VCB = \$233,400



• 31% - to Charleston Merchants = \$185,550

VCB GETS = \$233,400 = 39% CMA GETS = \$185,550 = 31% TAXING ENTITY KEEPS = \$179,550 = 30%

COOS COUNTY ASSESSMENT SPLIT EXAMPLE

EXAMPLE Bandon Dunes Golf Resort voluntarily assesses guests on overnight stays with room revenues of \$35 Million. Assessment collected = \$2,100,000

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6% Assessment Rate = \$2,100,000

Split

- 70% to COUNTY = \$1,470,000
- 30% to TSOC = \$630,000

COOS COUNTY KEEPS = \$1,470,000 - 70% TSOC RECEIVES = \$630,000 - 30%

VCB BUDGET – FY2026

VCB Budget FY2026 - REVENUES

ANTICIPATED REVENUES – ALL 4 IGA Partners

\$1,090,000

(Coos Bay = \$475,000; North Bend = \$104,500; Coquille Tribe = \$261,250; Coos County for Charleston = \$194,750) (Additional 5% of anticipated revenues in Rainy Day Fund = \$54,500)

ANTICIPATED OTHER REVENUES – Grants, Interest, VIC Income, Carryover from previous fiscal year \$452,160

TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET = \$1,542,160

VCB Budget FY2025 - EXPENDITURES

MARKETING/ADVERTISING EXPENDITURES = \$910,350

(Advertising, Event Advertising, Trade Shows, FAM tours, Website, Printing, etc)

ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS/MISCELLANEOUS = \$367,198

(Salaries, Telephone, Audits, Insurance, Office Supplies, etc.)

VIC COSTS = \$125,600

(All costs associated with running the Visitor Information Center - salaries, utilities, merchandise, etc.)

TOTAL EXPENDITURES BUDGET = \$1,403,148

(Current Rainy Day Fund Amount of \$139,012 is added to the expenditures to balance the budget)

Questions?



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