

Lowell City Council
Work Session Agenda
Tuesday, November 4th, at 7:00 P.M.
Lowell Rural Fire Protection District Fire Station 1
389 North Pioneer Street, Lowell, OR 97452

Call to Order/Roll Call

Councilors: Mayor Weathers ____ Murray ____ Harris ____ Stratis ____ Bennett ____

Work sessions are held for the City Council to receive background information on City business and to give Council members an opportunity to ask questions and express their individual views. No decisions are made, and no votes are taken on any agenda items. The Public is invited to attend, however, there is generally no public comment period.

Work Session Topic(s)

1. Flock Cameras Discussion, Sheriff Carl Wilkerson and DJ Mann Lane County Sheriff's Office
2. County wide Debris Management and Monitoring Agreement, -Discussion
3. City Properties/Surplus properties, -Discussion

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to Sam Dragt at 541-937-2157.

Adjourn

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to Sam Dragt at 541-937-2157.

Possible 2 cameras in Lowell

From MANN DJ <dj.mann@lanecountyor.gov>

Date Mon 10/20/2025 3:03 PM

To Max Baker <Max.Baker@lowelloregon.gov>

 2 attachments (3 MB)

FLOCK Camera Frequently Asked Questions.docx; Flock Safety | Oregon Search Filter Update;

You don't often get email from dj.mann@lanecountyor.gov. [Learn why this is important](#)

Great talking with you Max,

As we talked earlier, I am looking all over Lane County to put up our 22 Flock cameras as part of a 2 year trial. LCSO doesn't have any cameras up yet but we have used plate photo data from Eugene's cameras to catch a double homicide suspect and resolve several other cases. We would absolutely love to have a deputy assigned to your area in the future but the cameras are something we can hopefully do soon. They will be funded with seized drug assets not tax dollars. We are looking at putting both cameras on Pioneer Street getting plates north and south. Below I included a letter Sheriff Wilkerson sent someone who urged us not to use Flock cameras. There is a lot of good info if someone wants to know more about the cameras and how we will use them in rural Lane County. The attachments answers some frequently asked questions and safeguards in place regarding immigration laws. Let me know if you need any follow-up info or me to attend a council work session.

Thank you,

DJ

541.517.2684

Thank you for your questions regarding the Flock Camera System. I know the topic has frequently been in the news lately for Springfield and Eugene.

As we continue to consider our Flock project, we have contemplated many of the concerns some community members have voiced. There have been concerns that Flock cameras will be installed at public housing sites and will be used in searches related to immigration enforcement and abortions investigations. Our deployment strategy at the Lane County Sheriff's Office will be substantially different than this. LCSO plans to only place cameras on main thoroughfares within the county. We will not be placing them around neighborhoods and have no desire to target any group of people. Our small number of cameras, purchased using seized drug funds, would only be placed along state highways and major county roads.

The Lane County Sheriff's Office does not target any group of people, and our mission and values are to protect the peace for all people within our community. Flock cameras have already been very helpful in investigations and apprehending suspects who have committed crimes. This includes crimes against our community members within marginalized populations who have been victimized. The cameras would be very helpful and a force multiplier when trying to capture dangerous and violent suspects who flee in a vehicle, especially considering Lane County is 4,700 square miles and is often only patrolled by three deputies and one supervisor. This technology has already been used here in Lane County to help locate kidnapping suspects and murder suspects who committed these violent person crimes within the jurisdiction of our county.

*The ACLU has voiced concerns that this program undermines the Fourth Amendment and "chills free speech, religious freedom, and the right to protest." I can assure you that I will support and defend anyone's right to free speech, religious freedom, and right to peacefully protest. However, in *United States v. Martin*, the federal district court has already held that authorities did not violate the Fourth Amendment when they searched a Flock database without a warrant to identify a suspect. Additionally, any kind of digital monitoring or surveillance within a premises open to the public has always been legal whether by the government or by a private party.*

The Oregon Revised Statutes are very clear on how local law enforcement, to include the Lane County Sheriff's Office, may or may not interact with Federal Immigration Services. We have abided by Oregon laws preventing coordination with federal immigration for over 35 years. The placement of Flock cameras in rural Lane County will not change our operations and we will continue to follow the laws of the State of Oregon.

The policy regarding Flock camera deployment and operation that the Lane County Sheriff's Office has drafted only allows the Sheriff's Office's data to be routinely shared with Law Enforcement Agencies within the States of California and Washington, as they have very similar laws concerning immigration enforcement to the State of Oregon. Additionally, we do not authorize our data to be routinely shared with the Federal Government and do not authorize our staff to use the data on behalf of another agency requester. Any deviation from these rules about how the data will be shared requires the permission of a supervisor or higher authority and can only be made for specific purposes, such as a criminal suspect who is believed to be fleeing to a different state, and any additional data sharing will still comply with all statutory and constitutional requirements. Additionally, Flock has discontinued their services with the Department of Homeland Security, the parent agency of Immigration and Customs Services.

This technology, when used properly, has the power to save lives. Lane County investigates multiple missing person cases every year, to include missing juveniles and missing and endangered elderly people. A system like Flock will be very helpful in the search to find these very vulnerable people.

Lane County is very under-resourced and has one of the lowest deputies-per-thousand-population ratios in the entire state. Oregon in general has one of the lowest levels of law enforcement officers per capita within the nation. It is my responsibility to look for innovative ways to provide services to our population and to increase the safety of my staff. This includes investigating new processes and technologies that can help us to protect our community in the safest and most efficient ways possible. The Sheriff's Office and all of law enforcement is currently using various technology platforms to conduct its work, to include CAD (Computer-Aided Dispatch) Systems, Records Management Systems, Jail Management Systems, body camera systems, and digital communications systems, all of which are maintained through privately owned businesses under contract. I submit this fact because there is always the possibility that the federal government could attempt to find a way to obtain information through these mediums as well. It would be impossible and unreasonable for law enforcement to discontinue its use of technologies merely because of the possibility that the federal government could attempt access to these systems

without our knowledge or permission. I would suggest that it is more reasonable to use our legislative branch of government to create appropriate legal guardrails to prevent the inappropriate release of information.

LCSO has entered into a contract with Flock Safety to explore this option, but it does not mean that we will go "all in" with it. We plan to access the program and then determine if it is worth the dollars invested and if the system meets the expectations of not only LCSO, but of our community. Additionally, many law enforcement agencies in Oregon and within Lane County have already entered into agreements with private License Plate Reader (LPR) companies. When law enforcement works together collectively, we can stretch our resources farther and provide better service to the communities we serve.

I very much appreciate your inquiry and reporting on this matter. Any final decision on the use of this technology will not be taken lightly.

Sincerely,

*Carl E. Wilkerson III
Sheriff*

FLOCK Camera Frequently Asked Questions

(Prepared by LCSO Sgt. Alex Speldrich)

Q: Can Flock Safety cameras read license plates?

A: Yes. Flock Safety is able to capture vehicles traveling up to 100 MPH, day and night, and up to 75 ft away. That's a big part of how we help solve and reduce crime across the country.

Q: Besides a license plate, what else do Flock Safety cameras capture?

A: Flock Safety cameras apply machine learning to the footage they capture to identify important details that traditional LPR cameras overlook. Besides just a license plate number, Flock Safety captures and organizes vehicles into categories based on:

- Make
- Model
- Color
- Timestamp
- Type of plate (standard v. temporary)
- Damage or alterations (i.e. broken taillight, after-market wheels)

Q: Can Flock cameras capture both ingoing and outgoing traffic?

A: One Flock Safety license plate reading camera is designed to capture 1.5 lanes of traffic, heading in a single direction. If you want to capture both ingoing and outgoing traffic, you will need at least two cameras.

Q: Do Flock Safety cameras detect speeding?

A: No, Flock Safety cameras do not have speed detection capabilities.

Q: How does Flock Safety protect citizen privacy?

A: Flock Safety has strict measures in place to protect resident privacy.

Flock Safety believes that we can successfully reduce crime while protecting and preserving privacy. Here are a few of the ways we have ethically-engineered our suite of

products to ensure privacy protection:

- We store all data for only 30 days (or in adherence with local laws). Customers own all of their data — Flock will never share or sell data with third parties. The customer is the only one to determine who has access to the footage.
- All images and metadata is encrypted throughout its entire lifecycle, from on-device to storage in the cloud. Flock uses Amazon Web Services cloud storage and KMSbased encryption, limiting access to the encryption keys. All CJIS data is stored in the AWS GovCloud and is only available to Law Enforcement agencies. No CJIS data is shared with non-Law Enforcement Flock Safety Customers.

Q: How is a License Plate Recognition camera different from a traditional security camera?

A: Regular security cameras record videos focusing on people and the overall context. License plate recognition cameras take still photos to focus solely on a vehicle and ensure a clear view of the license plate.

Flock Safety takes the traditional LPR camera to the next level by using machine learning to capture clear, accurate license plate information and organize it based on a vehicle's physical description and unique features

Q: How do license plate readers help solve crime?

A: License plate numbers give law enforcement actionable leads needed to solve the investigation. Using LPR cameras, detectives can pinpoint the suspect's last known location which narrows down the search radius.

Flock Safety LPR cameras go beyond capturing license plates. Unlike traditional license plate readers, the unique Vehicle Fingerprint™ technology accelerates investigations by allowing users to filter their search based on the vehicle's specific characteristics, including body type, make, color, and more. This is key in producing an investigative lead for law enforcement when a suspect vehicle has no visible plates.

Q: How is the footage securely stored?

A: All footage and metadata is encrypted throughout its entire lifecycle, from on-device to storage in the cloud.

Flock uses Amazon Web Services cloud storage and KMS-based encryption, limiting access to the encryption keys. All CJIS data is stored in the AWS GovCloud and is only available to Law Enforcement agencies. No CJIS data is shared with non-Law Enforcement Flock Safety Customers.

Q: Do Flock LPR cameras capture personal or facial data?

A: No, Flock LPR cameras only capture vehicle data. They do not collect personal information, facial recognition, or anything tied to individuals.

Q: What is the standard data retention period?

A: Flock respects existing LPR retention laws and regulations that differ from 30 days. If a customer wishes to impose a longer retention period that is not already required by its jurisdiction's laws, Flock will offer an extended retention for up to one year, but shall require the agency to first obtain approval from an elected official and/or a governing body.

What It Actually Looks Like:

0

Reason & Case Number

Reason *

Training

* Required Field

Case Number *

25-train

* Required Field

Vehicle Details

License Plate

300FTS

Plate State

Any

☐ Include Partial Matches

Vehicle Fingerprint

Start typing or select

Location & Time

Location

1 Network(s) selected

Map & Devices

Start

10/06/2025 09:00 AM

–

End

10/06/2025 11:00 AM

Last 24 Hours

Last 7 Days

Last 14 Days

Last 30 Days

+ Advanced Filters

Reset All

Run Search

Vehicle Fingerprint

×

Select from the categories below and toggle confidence thresholds to apply additional vehicle identifiers to your search.

Body

Select vehicle body

Adjust Confidence Levels: High, 75% >

Colors

Select vehicle colors

Adjust Confidence Levels: High, 75% >

Makes

Select vehicle makes

Adjust Confidence Levels: High, 75% >

Identifiers

Select vehicle identifiers

Adjust Confidence Levels: Custom >

Higher confidence means closer potential matches to your original image, but potentially less results

Reset All

Cancel

Apply

9/1/2025 9:00 AM - 10/6/2025 11:00 AM >

1 Network(s) selected

Plate: 300FTS

Image	Org and Device Name	Date/Time Captured
^ Thursday, September 25, 2025 (1)		
	Eugene OR PD Delta Hwy NB @ Green Acres Rd. - F#056	10:03:01 AM
^ Wednesday, September 24, 2025 (3)		
	Eugene OR PD F#033 Ferry Street Bridge SB.	3:20:06 PM
	Eugene OR PD P#005 - 7th Ave EB @ High Street.	3:18:44 PM
	Eugene OR PD F#038 Franklin Blvd WB @ Walnut St.	12:46:28 PM
^ Monday, September 22, 2025 (4)		
	Eugene OR PD F#038 Franklin Blvd WB @ Walnut St.	10:36:08 AM
	Eugene OR PD P#005 - 7th Ave EB @ High Street.	10:30:59 AM
	Eugene OR PD Ferry St Bridge SB @ 8th Ave. - F#022	9:05:50 AM



F#038 Franklin Blvd WB @ Walnut St.
Eugene OR PD Eugene OR PD

9/24/2025 12:46:28 PDT
300FTS



Green Acres Rd EB @ Home Depot. - P#060
Eugene OR PD Eugene OR PD

9/10/2025 08:01:59 PDT
300FTS

Flock Safety | Oregon Search Filter Update

From Myron Maret <myron.maret@flocksafety.com>

Date Thu 7/24/2025 3:17 PM

To MANN DJ <dj.mann@lanecountyor.gov>

[EXTERNAL 

Dear Flock Customer,

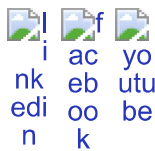
To help enable compliance with Oregon laws that restrict law enforcement agency actions related to immigration enforcement and reproductive health rights protected under Oregon law, our Product team has created a new Search filter for your agency. This filter is designed to remove your agency's cameras from any search with a search reason that indicates that the search is connected to immigration enforcement or reproductive care. This filter will apply to all searches performed that include any of your networks, whether by your own employees or other agencies that you have shared with, such as via direct one-to-one sharing and the Statewide and Nationwide Lookup tools.

We intend to turn on the filter for all law enforcement customers in the state of Oregon on Friday (July 25, 2025). If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Flock remains committed to ensuring that agencies can share data in a manner consistent with their community's values and comply with all applicable laws.

Be safe,
Myron

Myron Maret
Flock Safety
Customer Success



 
o n myron.maret@flocksafety.com o n 404.631.6599


o n flocksafety.com

Countywide Debris Contract

From BROWN Tiffany C <Tiffany.BROWN@lanecountyor.gov>

Date Mon 10/13/2025 2:50 PM

To BROWN Tiffany C <Tiffany.BROWN@lanecountyor.gov>

Cc ENGET Lance E <lance.englet@lanecountyor.gov>

You don't often get email from tiffany.brown@lanecountyor.gov. [Learn why this is important](#)

Dear City Administrators and Emergency Managers,

Lane County Emergency Management and Public Works are in the process of drafting a request for vendor proposals for a **debris management and monitoring agreement** that could be used as a **shared resource by cities across the county**. The intent is to create a consistent, FEMA-aligned framework that would help local jurisdictions quickly activate debris services in the event of a disaster, reduce administrative burden, and improve coordination during response and recovery efforts.

This agreement would be designed to:

- Streamline the contracting process for cities
- Include provisions for FEMA reimbursement compliance
- Be adaptable to individual city needs while maintaining a unified structure

Before moving forward, we'd like to gauge your **interest in participating** in shared version of the agreement, and we'd like to hear from you this week to let us know:

1. If your city would be interested in sharing such an agreement
2. If you'd like to be involved in the drafting or review process
3. Any existing agreements or debris plans you may already have in place

Thank you for your continued partnership in improving regional emergency preparedness and response. We look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Best regards,
Tiffany

Tiffany Brown she/ella
Emergency Manager | County Administration | Lane County, Oregon
tiffany.brown@lanecountyor.gov | 541.682.6999



Parcels: 1901141300100

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

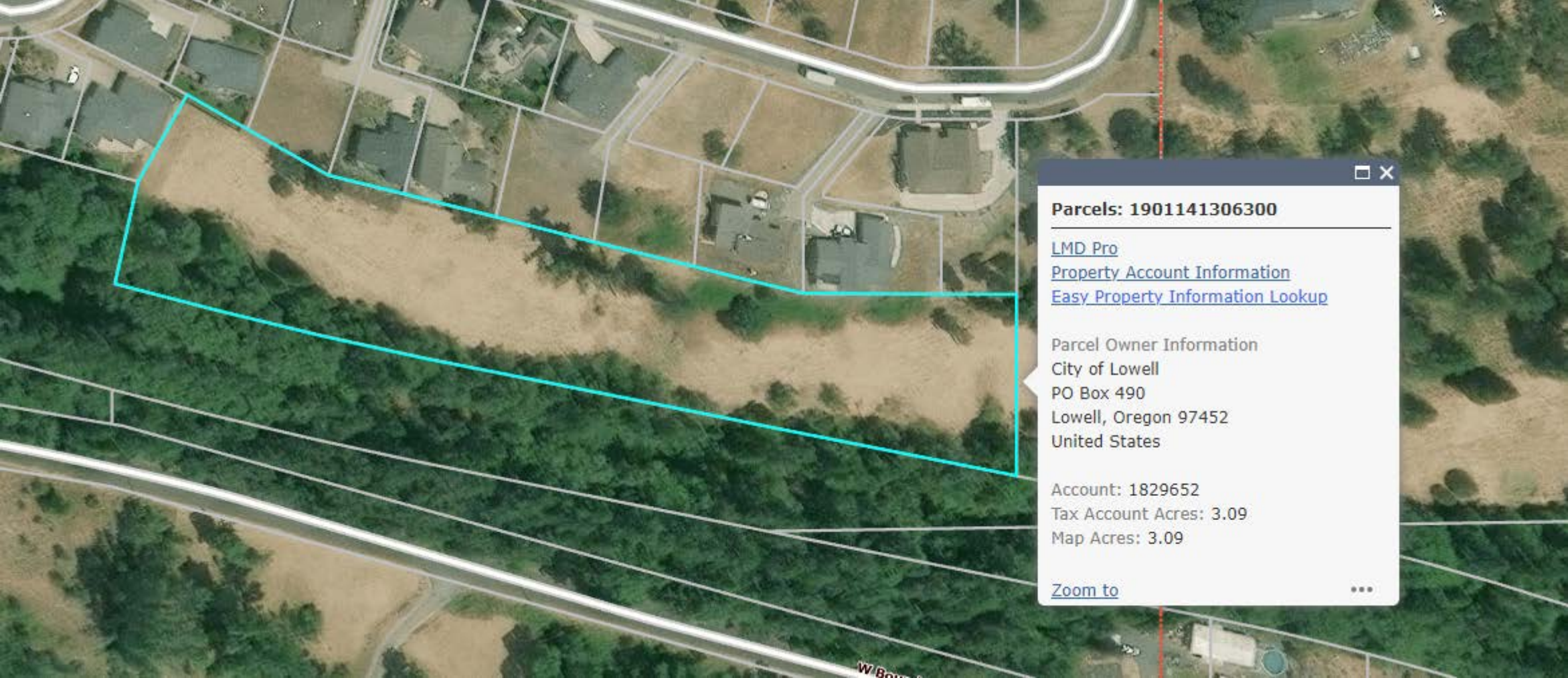
Account: 1375722

Tax Account Acres: 0.96

Map Acres: 0.96

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901141306300

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

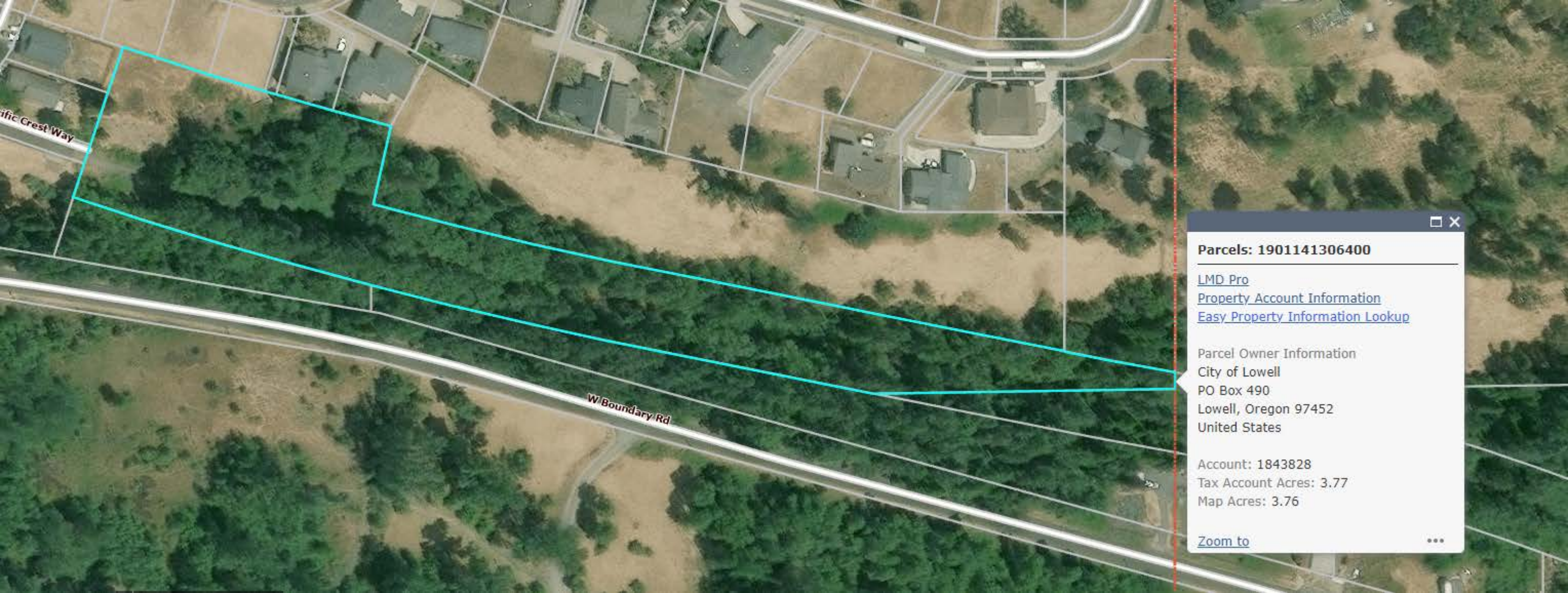
United States

Account: 1829652

Tax Account Acres: 3.09

Map Acres: 3.09

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901141306400

[LMD Pro](#)
[Property Account Information](#)
[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information
City of Lowell
PO Box 490
Lowell, Oregon 97452
United States

Account: 1843828
Tax Account Acres: 3.77
Map Acres: 3.76

[Zoom to](#) 



Parcels: 1901140001500

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

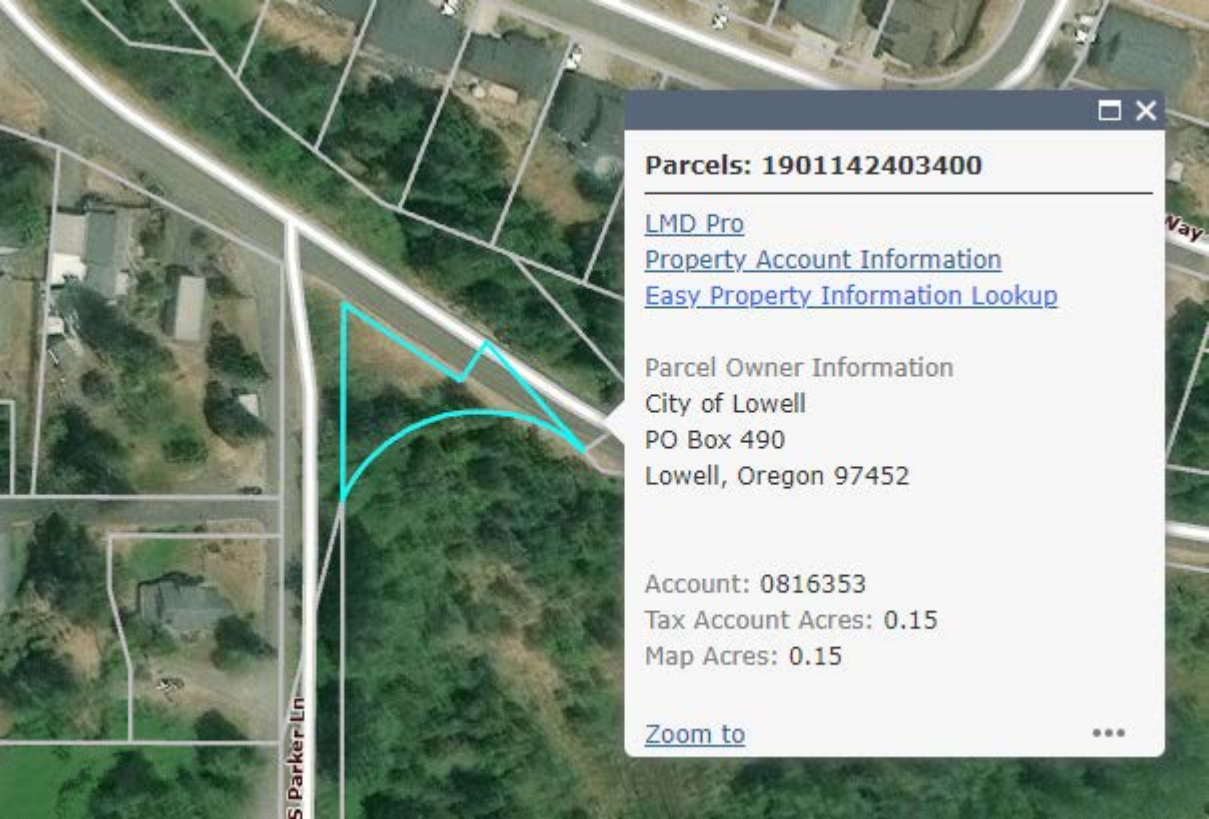
United States

Account: 1547379

Tax Account Acres: 0.88

Map Acres: 0.89

[Zoom to](#)



Parcels: 1901142403400

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

Account: 0816353

Tax Account Acres: 0.15

Map Acres: 0.15

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901142308802

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

Account: 1915555

Tax Account Acres: 0.480

Map Acres: 0.48

[Zoom to](#)



An aerial photograph of a property. A large, rectangular, brownish field is highlighted with a cyan border. To the left of this field is a paved area with a few vehicles. Below the field are several large, white, cylindrical storage tanks. In the top left corner, there is a smaller inset map showing the same area from a different perspective, with the highlighted parcel also marked.

Parcels: 1901142305700

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

Account: 0815611

Tax Account Acres: 0.38

Map Acres: 0.38

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901142305800

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

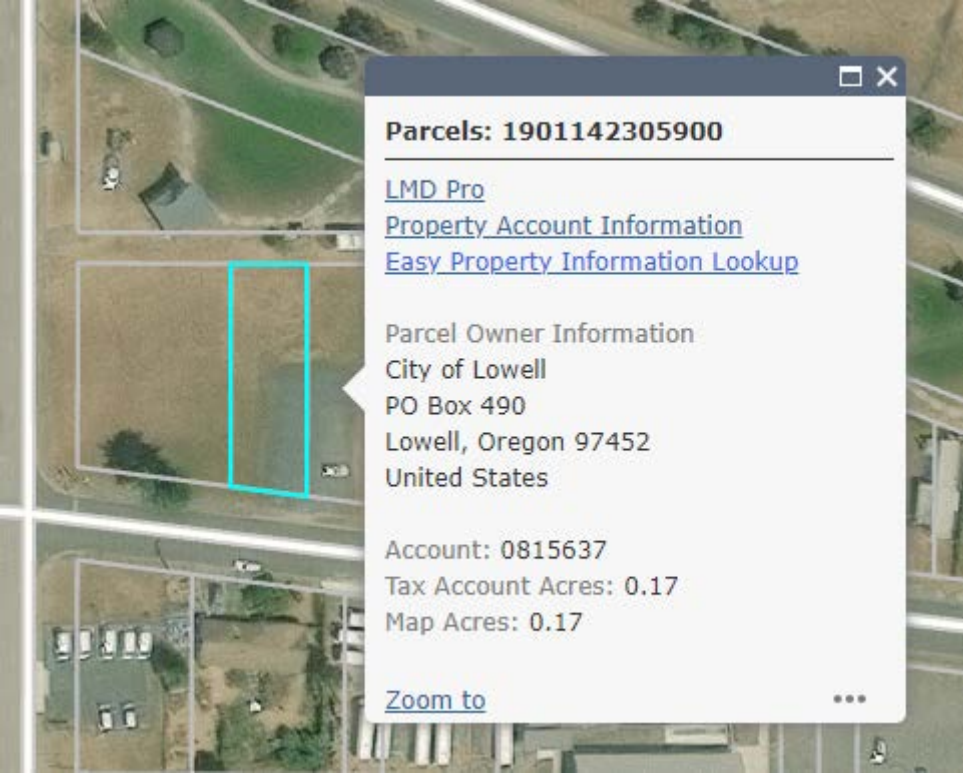
Account: 0815629

Tax Account Acres: 0.18

Map Acres: 0.18

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901142305900

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

Account: 0815637

Tax Account Acres: 0.17

Map Acres: 0.17

[Zoom to](#)

...

Parcels: 1901142306000

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

Account: 0815645

Tax Account Acres: 0.32

Map Acres: 0.32

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901142308801

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

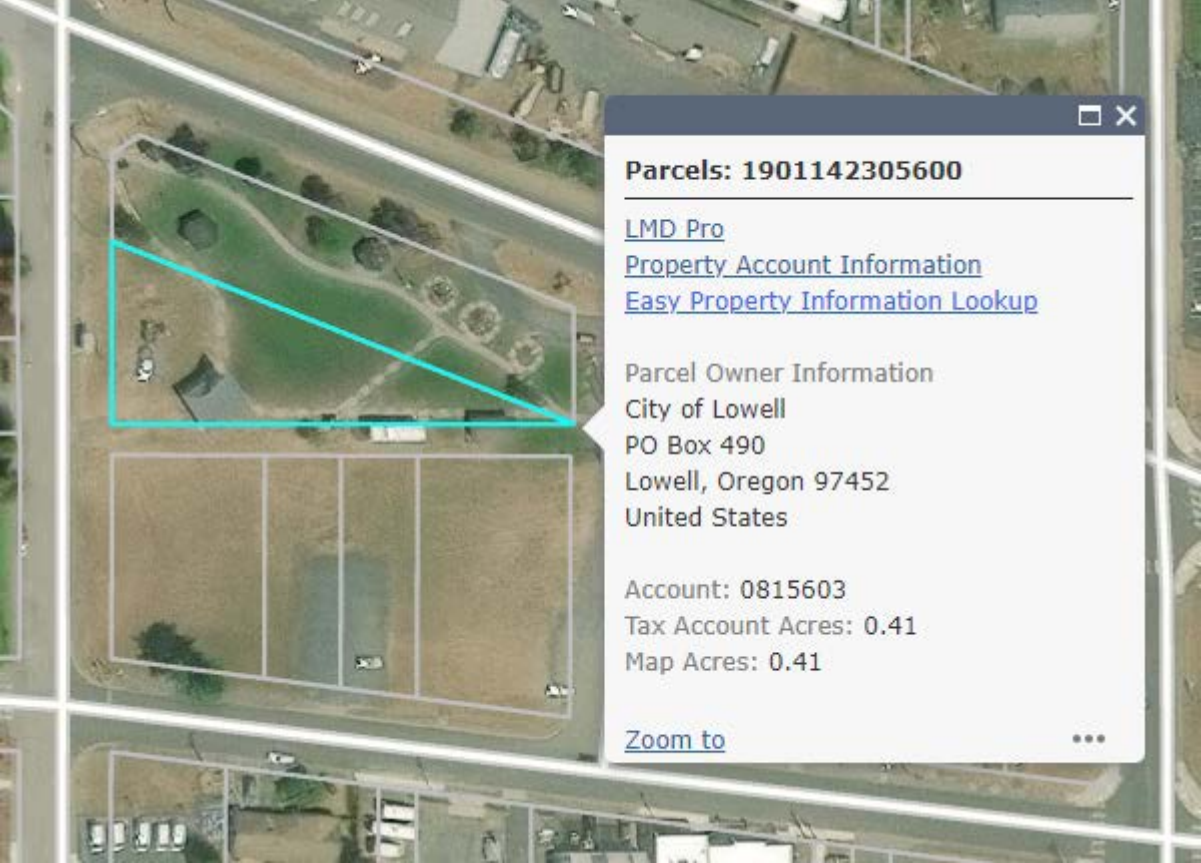
Account: 1915549

Tax Account Acres: 0.52

Map Acres: 0.52

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901142305600

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

Account: 0815603

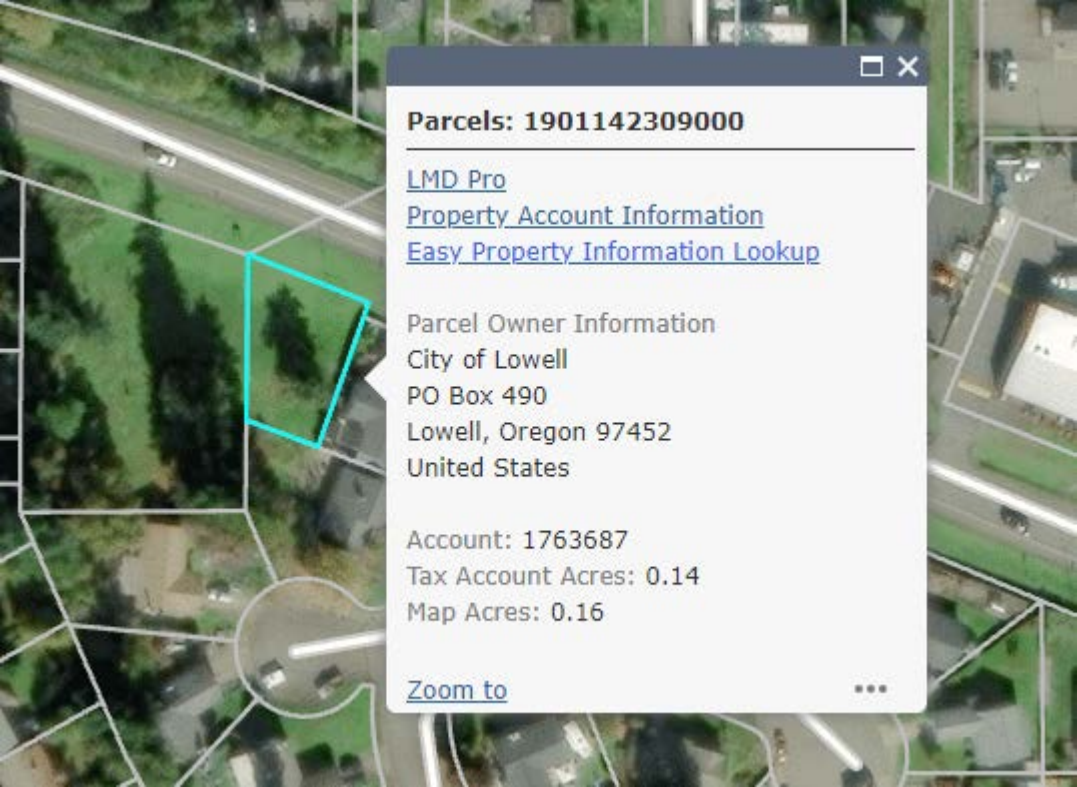
Tax Account Acres: 0.41

Map Acres: 0.41

[Zoom to](#)







Parcels: 1901142309000

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

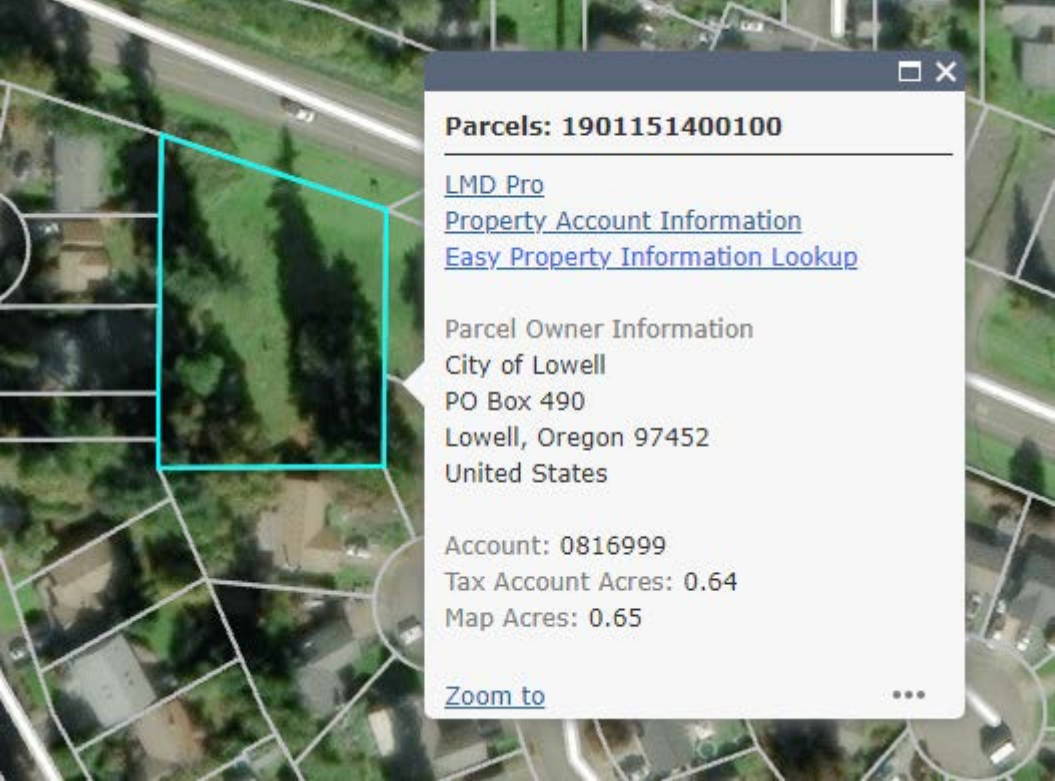
Account: 1763687

Tax Account Acres: 0.14

Map Acres: 0.16

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901151400100

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

Account: 0816999

Tax Account Acres: 0.64

Map Acres: 0.65

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901142202204

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

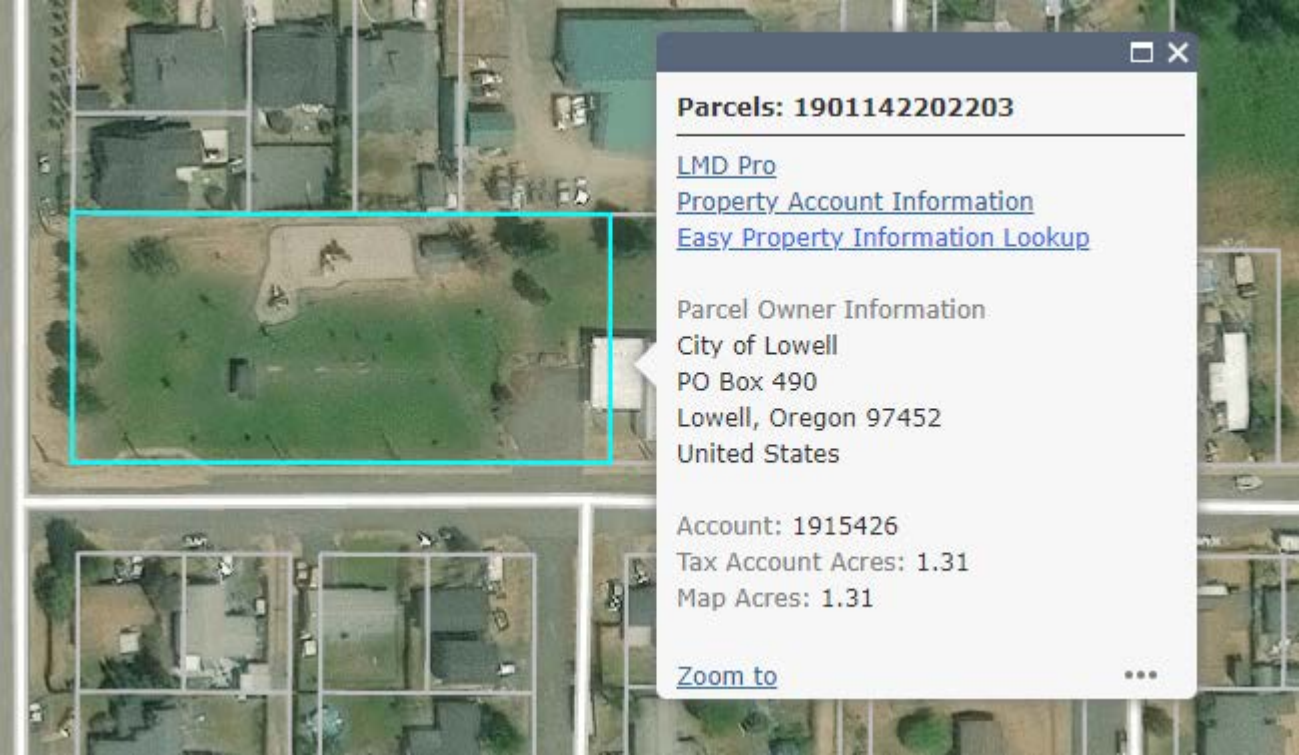
Account: 1915429

Tax Account Acres: 0.41

Map Acres: 0.41

[Zoom to](#)





Parcels: 1901142202203

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

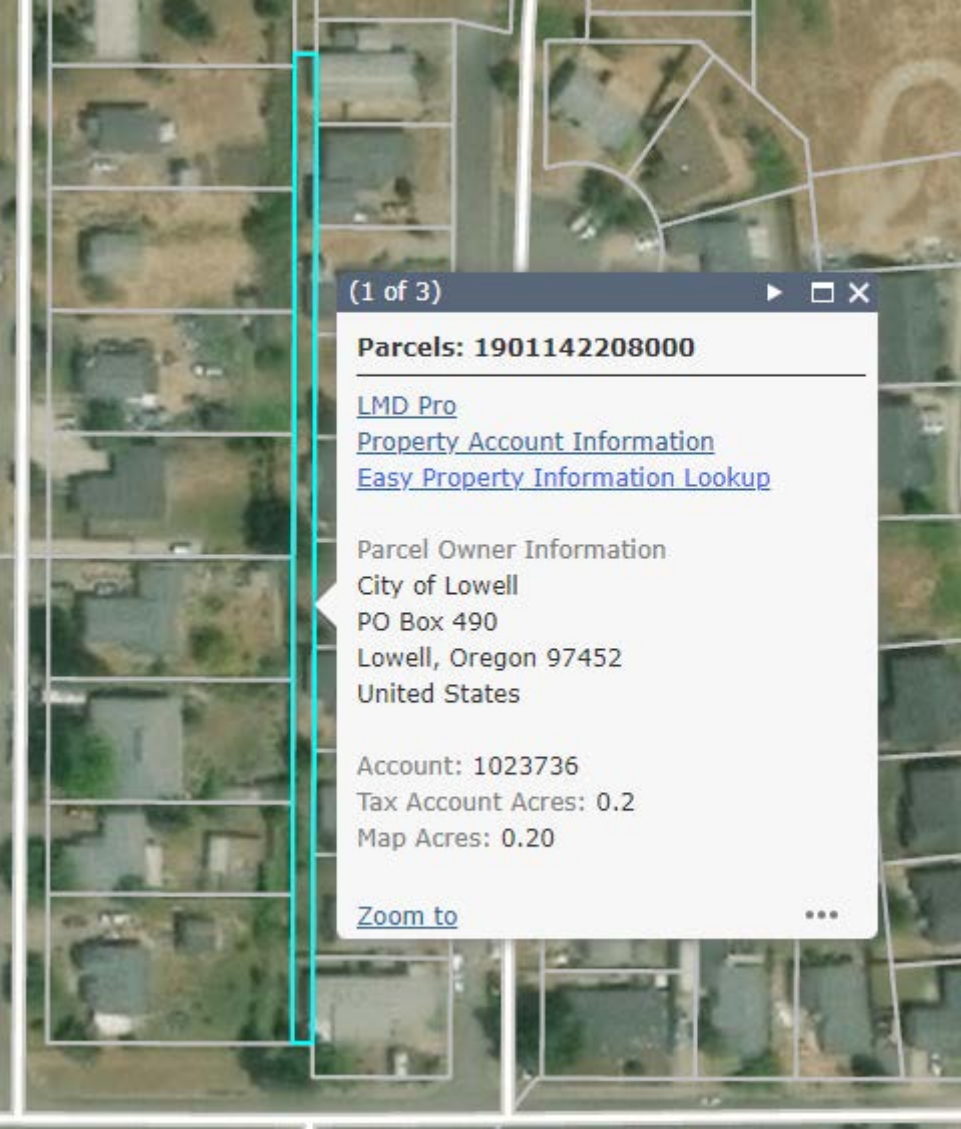
Account: 1915426

Tax Account Acres: 1.31

Map Acres: 1.31

[Zoom to](#)





(1 of 3)



Parcels: 1901142208000

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

Account: 1023736

Tax Account Acres: 0.2

Map Acres: 0.20

[Zoom to](#)



An aerial photograph of a residential area. A specific parcel is highlighted with a cyan outline. The parcel is a long, narrow strip of land, mostly covered in trees and shrubs, situated between a road on the left and a residential street on the right. The surrounding area includes other residential lots, some with houses and driveways, and a larger open area with trees on the left.

Parcels: 1901113102700

[LMD Pro](#)

[Property Account Information](#)

[Easy Property Information Lookup](#)

Parcel Owner Information

City of Lowell

PO Box 490

Lowell, Oregon 97452

United States

Account: 1912170

Tax Account Acres: 1.08

Map Acres: 1.07

[Zoom to](#)



W 4th St