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This thesis investigates and examines foxhunting with a focus on the cultural and physical landscape of the Lake Oswego Hunt. The investigation opens questions regarding the demands that horses place upon their environment, exclusively, the environment of hunting. What is the history of hunting? How was the landscape changed overtime? Why, and for what purpose was it manipulated? How was the land acquired for the purpose of hunting? What were the demands of the sport and how was that reflected upon the facilities? What significance do hunt club buildings hold in a modern society? But more importantly, how should these one-of-a-kind structures,

associated with a virtually extinct sport, be preserved? This thesis will assist hunt clubs and other similar organizations in understanding the importance of preserving their landscapes and buildings and how to preserve the history behind the phenomenon of hunt clubs.

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

LOH	Lake Oswego Hunt
LOH HPC	Lake Oswego Hunt – Historic Preservation Committee
n.d.	No date
n.p.	No page
NPS	National Park Service
OSHPO	Oregon State Historic Preservation Office
SHPO	State Historic Preservation Office