



# O-Zones & TCJA Tax Update

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# AGENDA

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- Opportunity Zones (O-Zones)
  - Investor Tax Benefits and Qualifications
  - Qualified Opportunity Fund Qualifications and Operations
  - Where are They Locally?
- Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) Tax Changes
  - Gift and Estate Tax Update
  - Individual Income Tax Update
  - Pass-through Entity Tax Update
  - Other Items of Interest
- Questions

# O-Zones



# QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY ZONES

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# POTENTIAL TAX BENEFITS

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- Deferral of capital gains until 12/31/2026
  - Section 1231 and unrecaptured Section 1250 gains included
- Permanent exclusion of portion of deferred gain if:
  - Held > 5 years, 10%
  - Held > 7 years, additional 5% (15% total)
- Permanent exclusion of any appreciation from investment in “Qualified Opportunity Fund” (QOF) disposed after 10+ years

# TAXPAYER REQUIREMENTS

- Invest (cash only) in QOF within 180 days of when gain realized
- Elect to defer the capital gain via Form 8949
  - Not “all or nothing”, any portion can be deferred
  - Note you can retain your “basis”
- Can be done at either partnership/S corp or individual partner/shareholder level

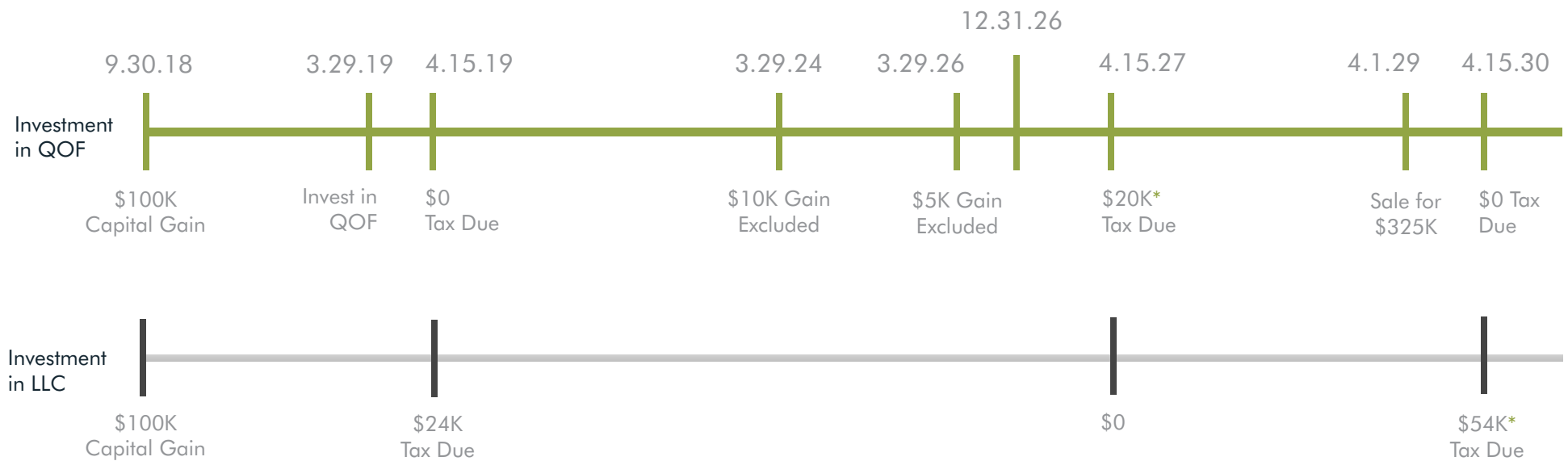


# TAXPAYER REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED)

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- Gain can't result from sale to related party (20% test)
- Must pay deferred tax no later than 12/31/2026
  - Deferred gain retains its original character (i.e., short-term, long-term, etc.)
  - Rates in effect in 2026 apply

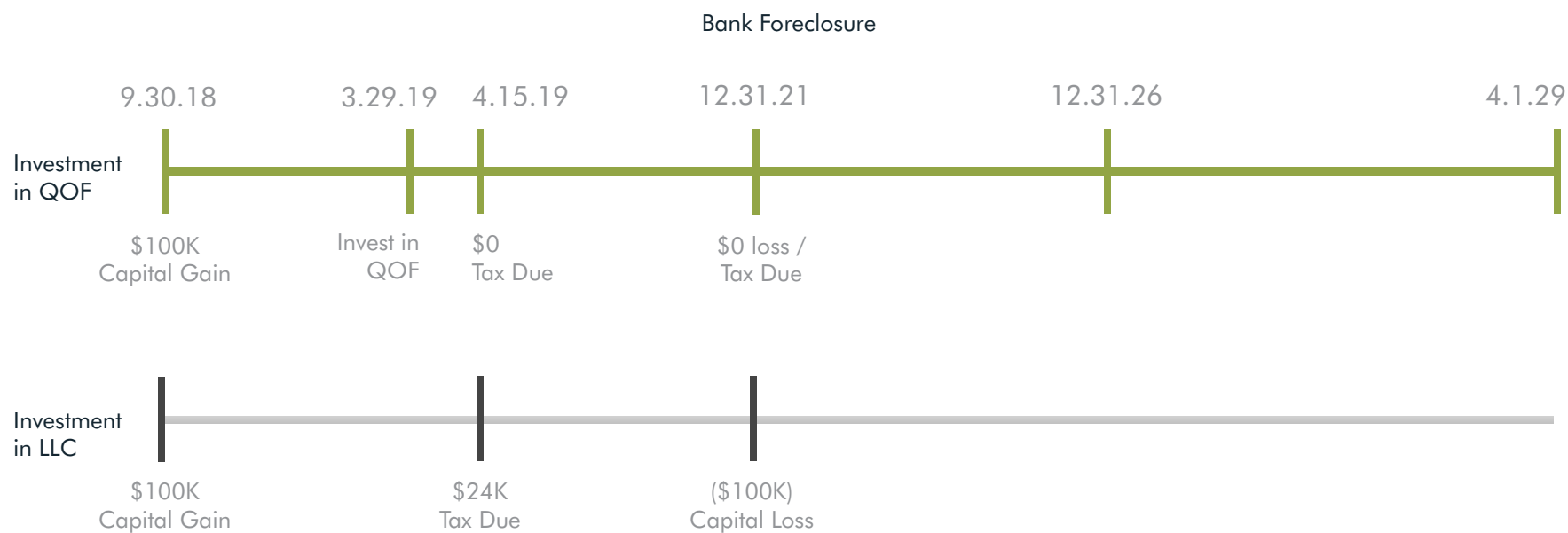
# CASE STUDY #1



\*Assuming WA resident subject to NIIT, no changes to tax rates: 20% + 3.8%

# CASE STUDY #2

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# QOF REQUIREMENTS

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- Organized as either a corporation or partnership
  - Multi-member LLCs allowed
- Formed for the express purpose of investing in qualified opportunity zone property (semi-annual 90% asset test)
  - Qualified opportunity zone stock
  - Qualified opportunity zone partnership interest
  - Qualified opportunity zone business property
    - Use originates with QOF or is “substantially improved” by QOF
    - “Substantially all” of the use of the property is in a qualified opportunity zone
    - Loans don’t qualify

# QOF REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED)

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- “Substantially improved” within 30 months beginning after date of acquisition
  - Additions to basis > QOF basis in property prior to improvement
  - Excludes land basis
- “Reasonable working capital” can be held and used by a QOF so long as:
  - Its qualifying use is designated in writing
  - A reasonable written schedule for its spending exists
  - It will be completely consumed within 31 months of receipt by QOF
  - AND, actual spending is substantially consistent with above requirements

# QOF REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED)

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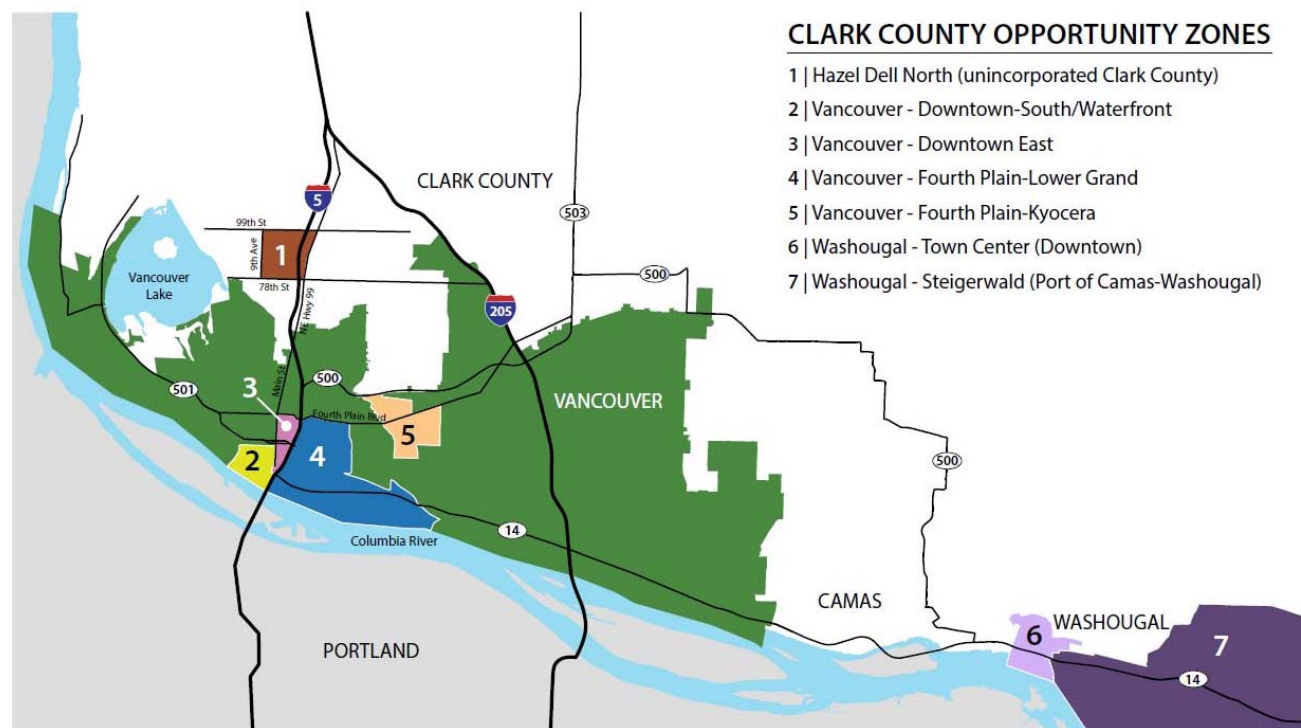
- Mixed fund investments are allowed
  - Debt does not create a mixed-fund investment
- Vice businesses not allowed
  - Golf courses & country clubs, massage parlors, hot tub facilities, suntan facilities, gambling facilities or liquor stores
- Self-certify using IRS Form 8996
  - File annually with tax return





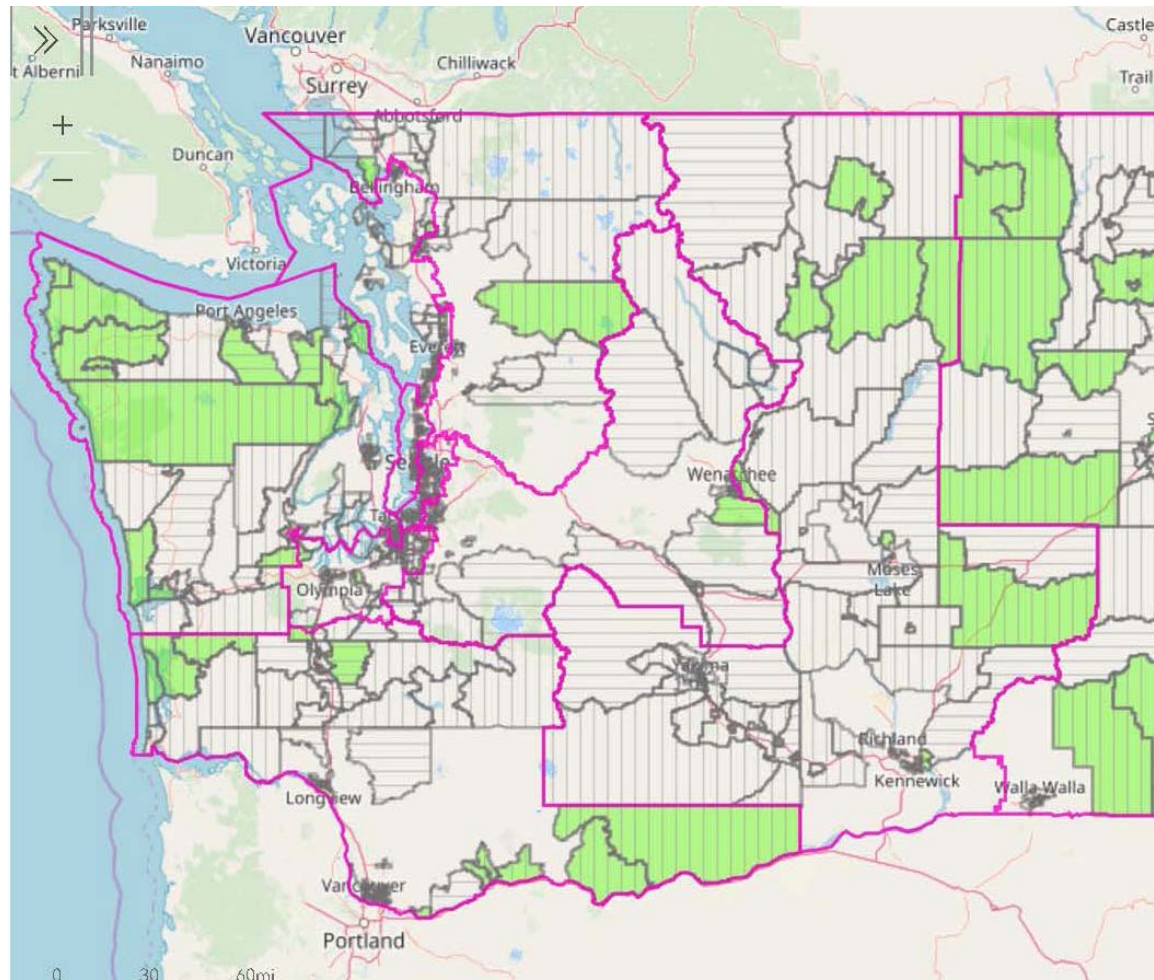
# O-ZONES OF INTEREST

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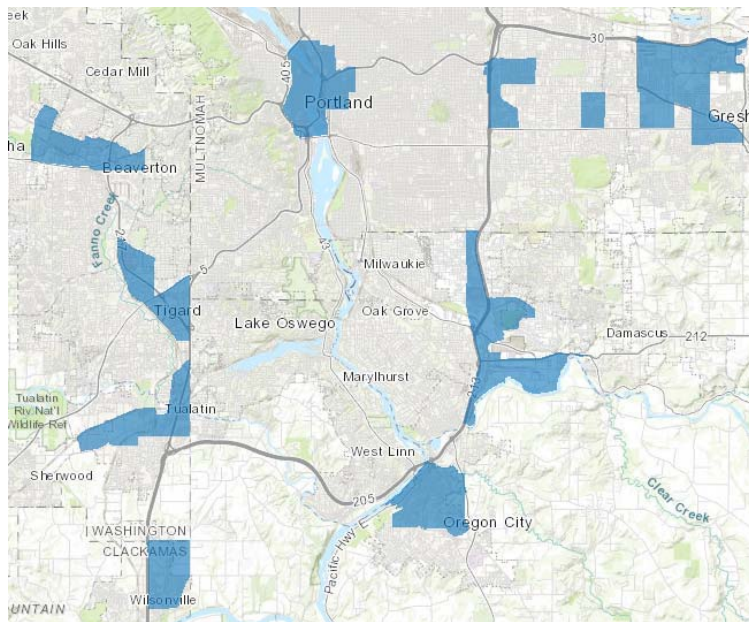
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STATE OF WASHINGTON

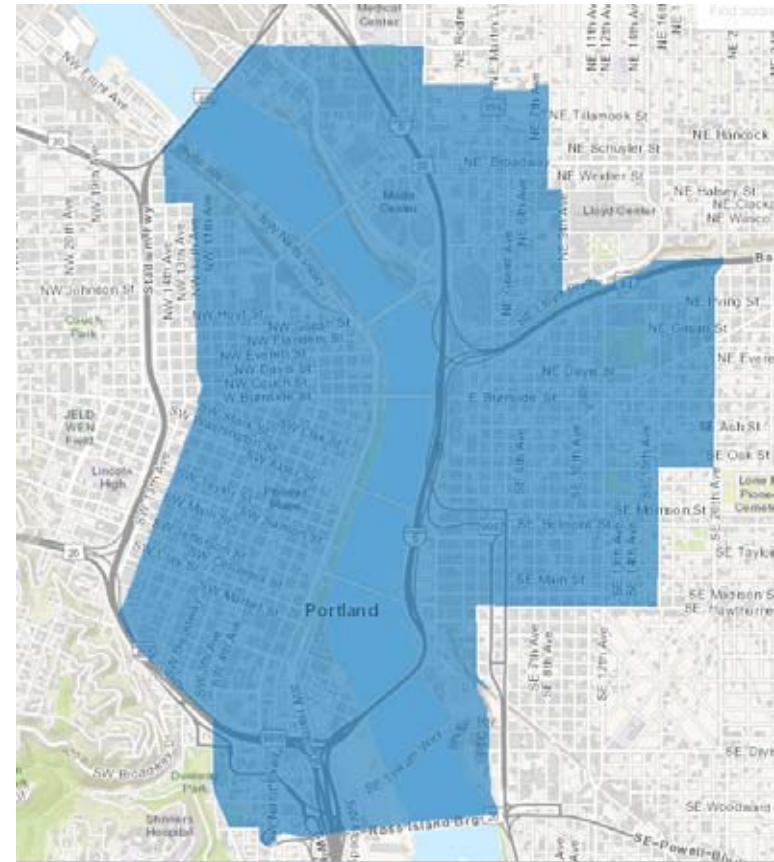


# O-ZONES OF INTEREST

## PORTLAND METRO



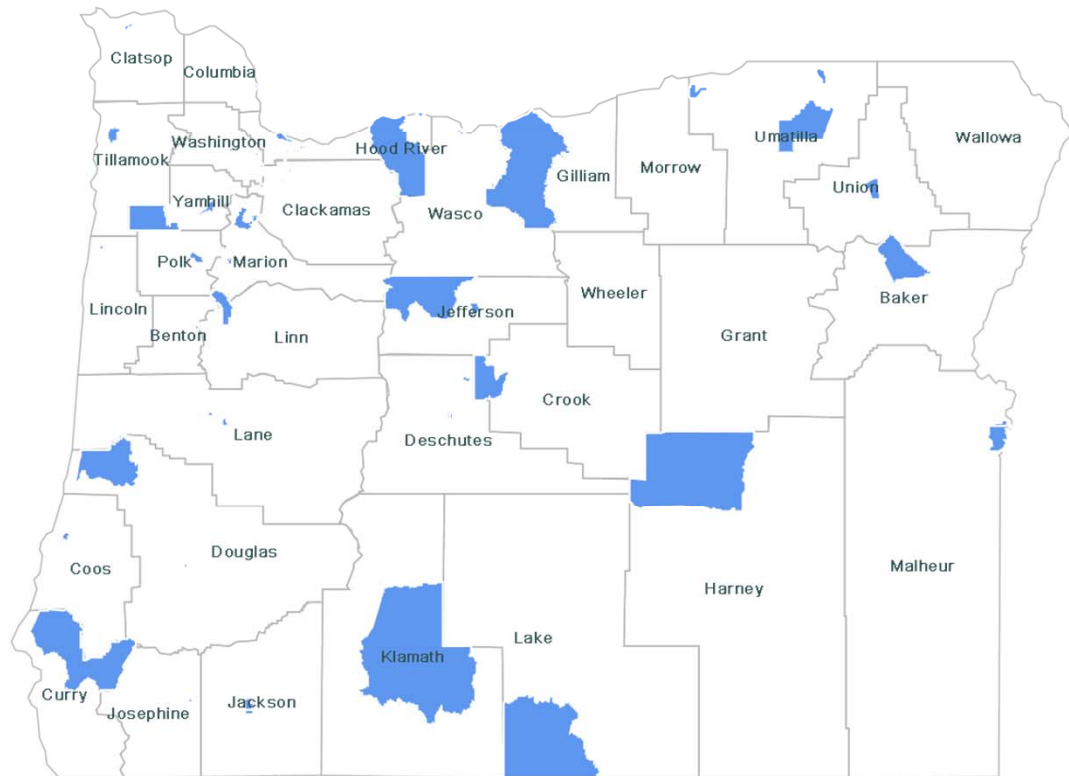
## PORTLAND - PEARL, SOUTH WATERFRONT, DOWNTOWN AND INNER EASTSIDE



# O-ZONES OF INTEREST

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STATE OF OREGON





# WHAT WE DON'T KNOW?

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- Testing for cash invested (90% test)
- Substantially improved
- Exit after 10+ years (QOF investment)
- QOF investments in operating trades or businesses
- Interaction with partnership tax law (basis, depreciation, carried interest)

# O-Zone Resources

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- [IRS Opportunity Zones Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [IRS Notice 2018-48 Listing of Qualified Opportunity Zone Census Tracts](#)
- [Business Oregon Opportunity Zones Website](#)
- [Economic Innovation Group US Opportunity Zones Map Website](#)
- [WA Department of Commerce Opportunity Zones Website](#)

# TCJA TAX UPDATE





# ESTATE PLANNING

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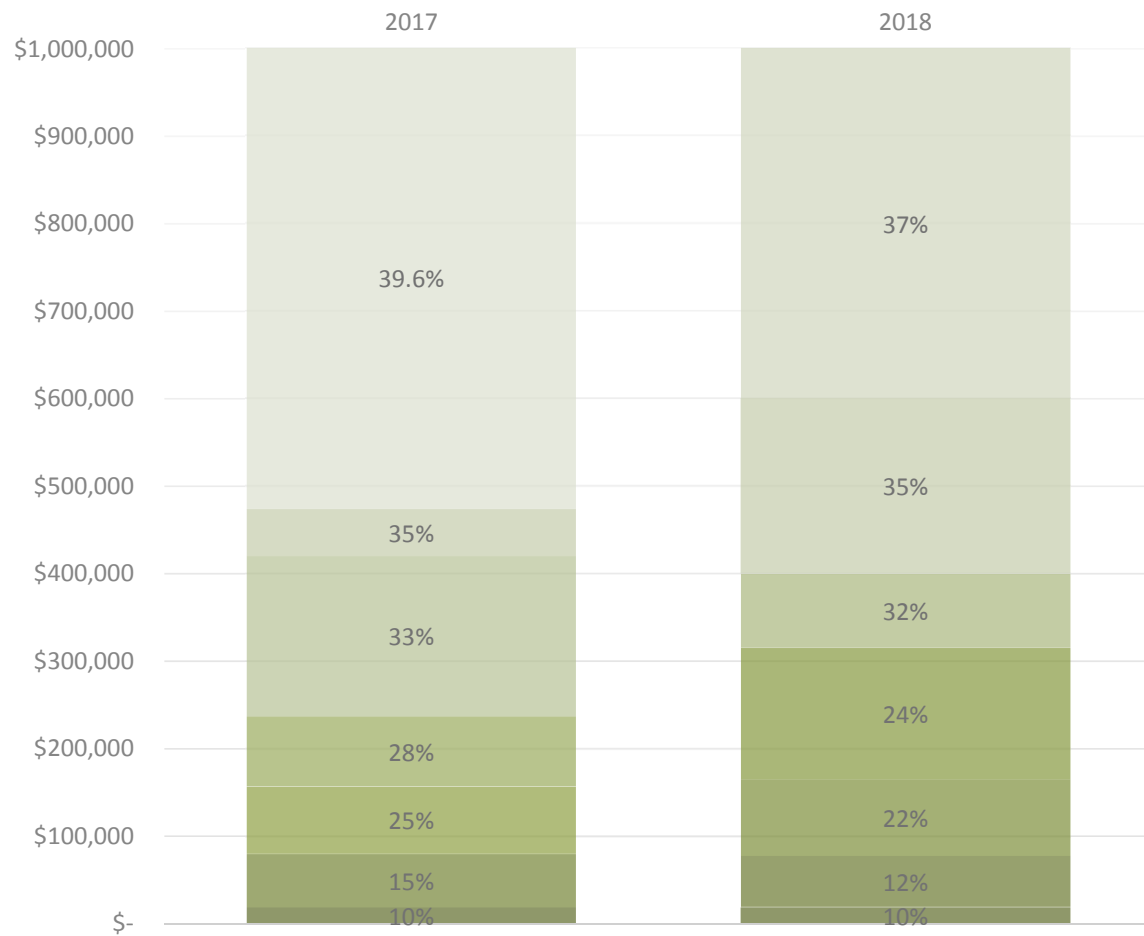
- 2019 Exclusion Amounts / Maximum Rates
  - Federal - \$11,400,000 (double with portability) / 40%
  - Washington - \$2,193,000 (no portability) / 20%
  - Oregon - \$1,000,000 (no portability) / 16%

# INDIVIDUAL TAX REFORM

- Effective January 1, 2018
  - Sunsets after 2025
- Lower tax brackets
  - Top rate of 37% starting at \$600k (\$500k single)
- Exemptions are eliminated



# MARRIED FILING JOINTLY RATES





## CASE STUDY EXAMPLE 1

- Family of five taking standard deduction
  - Two adults and three children (all K-12)
  - Wages = \$90k/year

# CASE STUDY – EXAMPLE 1

Family of 5, standard deduction	2017	2018
Wages	90,000	90,000
Exemption	(20,250)	<del>(20,250)</del> 0
Standard deductions	(12,700)	(24,000)
<b>Total deductions</b>	(32,950)	(24,000)
Taxable income	57,050	66,000
Federal tax (before credits)	7,629	7,539
Child tax credits*	3,000	6,000
<b>Net federal tax</b>	<b>4,629</b>	<b>1,539</b>

\*Note credits **not** available for children 17 and older





# ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS

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- Medical expenses
  - 7.5% of AGI floor for 2018
- State and local taxes
  - Income/sales/property taxes capped at \$10k
- Mortgage interest
  - Mortgage interest limited to \$750k on new loans after December 15, 2017
  - HELOC interest deduction suspended (but allowable for renovations or improvements)

# ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS

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- Charitable contributions
  - Limit increased to 60% of AGI (from 50%)
  - Eliminated deduction for payments in exchange for athletic seating rights
- Miscellaneous 2% of AGI deductions suspended
  - Employee business expenses
  - Tax prep and investment fees
- 3% limitation on overall deductions eliminated
- Standard deduction increased to \$24k (\$12k single)





## CASE STUDY EXAMPLE 2

- Married wage earners renting condo in the Pearl
  - Two adults, both working, no children
  - Renting home
  - Wages = \$250k/year



## CASE STUDY – EXAMPLE 2

DINKs, renting	2017	2018
Wages	250,000	250,000
Exemption	(8,100)	0
Charitable contributions	(13,000)	(13,000)
State tax deductions	(20,000)	<del>(20,000)</del> (10,000)
<b>Total itemized deductions</b>	(33,000)	*(23,000)
Standard deductions	(12,700)	(24,000)
Taxable income	208,900	226,000
<b>Federal tax</b>	<b>45,377</b>	<b>42,819</b>

Planning opportunity to bundle charitable deductions for several years into one.  
 Planning would provide **\$3,360 in federal savings** over two years in this example.

*\*Note this is less than the standard deduction. Charitable contributions do not provide any extra tax benefit.*



## CASE STUDY EXAMPLE 3

- Retired couple who own home outright
  - Two adults, both retired, no dependents
  - Own home; no mortgage

## CASE STUDY – EXAMPLE 3

Retired couple, no mortgage	2017	2018
Interest, dividends, IRA distributions	250,000	250,000
Exemption	(8,100)	0
Charitable contributions	(14,000)	(14,000)
State & property tax deductions	(25,000)	<del>(25,000)</del> (10,000)
<b>Total itemized deductions</b>	(47,100)	*(24,000)
Taxable income	202,900	226,000
<b>Federal tax</b>	<b>44,272</b>	<b>42,819</b>

*\*Note this is less than the standard deduction. Charitable contributions do not provide any extra tax benefit.*

## CASE STUDY – EXAMPLE 3 VERSION 2

Planning opportunity to contribute IRA distributions directly to charity if age 70 ½.  
Planning would provide **\$3,360 in federal savings** for the year in this example.

Retired couple, no mortgage	2018 No IRA to charity	2018 IRA to charity (\$14K)
Income	250,000	<del>(250,000)</del> 236,000
Standard deduction	(24,000)	(24,000)
Taxable income	226,000	212,000
<b>Federal tax</b>	<b>42,819</b>	<b>39,459</b>

**\$3,360 federal savings**



## OTHER INDIVIDUAL TAX CHANGES

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- Sec. 529 Plans allow distributions for elementary and high school tuition up to \$10,000 annual limit
- Tax on alimony and deduction eliminated for agreements executed after 2018
- Alternative Minimum Tax is nominally retained
  - Increased exemption of \$109,400 joint (\$70,300 single)
- Roth conversions still allowed, but recharacterizations no longer available





## 20% QBI DEDUCTION (AKA 199A DEDUCTION)

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- Development, property management, construction, brokerage and agents all qualify
- Investment management and other SSTBs don't qualify
- W2 wages and "Unadjusted Basis in assets" (UBIA) are key
- All pass-through entities will be required to report QBI information to their owners for EACH trade or business
  - W2 wages
  - UBIA
  - QBI
- Oregon disconnect



# QUALIFIED BUSINESS INCOME DEDUCTION

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- 20% deduction for qualified business income (QBI)
  - S corporations
  - Partnerships/LLCs
  - Sole proprietors/rental activity
  - Trusts
- Deduction is applied to adjusted gross income
  - Does not reduce AGI for other threshold purposes
- No material participation requirement

# FORM 1040

**Form 1040** Department of the Treasury—Internal Revenue Service **2018** U.S. Individual Income Tax Return OMB No. 1545-0074 IRS Use Only—Do not write or staple in this space.

Filing status:  Single  Married filing jointly  Married filing separately  Head of household  Qualifying widow(er)

Your first name and initial Last name Your social security number

Your standard deduction:  Someone can claim you as a dependent  You were born before January 2, 1954  You are blind

If joint return, spouse's first name and initial Last name Spouse's social security number

Spouse standard deduction:  Someone can claim your spouse as a dependent  Spouse was born before January 2, 1954  Full year health care coverage or exempt (see inst.)

Spouse is blind  Spouse lives on a separate return or you were dual-status alien

Home address (number and street). If you have a P.O. box, see instructions. Apt. no. Presidential Election Campaign (see inst.)  You  Spouse

City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. If you have a foreign address, attach Schedule 6. If more than four dependents, see inst. and **✓** these **▶**

Dependents (see instructions):

(f) First name	Last name	(g) Social security number	(h) Relationship to you	(i) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 qualifies for line 12: Child tax credit	Qualify for other dependents

**Sign Here** Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return and accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, this return and the information contained hereon are true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Joint return?  See instructions. Keep a copy for your records.

Your signature Date Your occupation

Spouse's signature, if a joint return, both must sign. Date Spouse's occupation

Preparer's name Preparer's signature PTIN

Firm's name Phone

Firm's address

For Disclosure, Privacy Act, and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see separate instructions. **01**

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<b>1</b> Wages, salaries, tips, etc. Attach Form(s) W-2		<b>1</b>	
<b>2a</b> Tax-exempt interest	<b>2a</b>	<b>2b</b> Taxable interest	<b>2b</b>
<b>3a</b> Qualified dividends	<b>3a</b>	<b>3b</b> Ordinary dividends	<b>3b</b>
<b>4a</b> IRAs, pensions, and annuities	<b>4a</b>	<b>4b</b> Taxable amount	<b>4b</b>
<b>5a</b> Social security benefits	<b>5a</b>	<b>5b</b> Taxable amount	<b>5b</b>
<b>6</b> Total income. Add lines 1 through 5. Add any amount from Schedule 1, line 22		<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b> Adjusted gross income. If you have no adjustments to income, enter the amount from line 6; otherwise, subtract Schedule 1, line 36, from line 6		<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b> Standard deduction or itemized deductions from Schedule A		<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b> Qualified business income deduction (see instructions)		<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b> Taxable income. Subtract lines 8 and 9 from line 7. If zero or less, enter -0-		<b>10</b>	
<b>11</b> a Tax (see inst.) (check if any from: <b>1</b> Form(s) 8814 <b>2</b> Form 4972 <b>3</b> )		<b>11</b>	
<b>11</b> b Add any amount from Schedule 2 and check here <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>11</b>	
<b>12</b> a Child tax credit/credit for other dependents		<b>12</b> b Add any amount from Schedule 3 and check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>13</b> Subtract line 12 from line 11. If zero or less, enter -0-		<b>13</b>	
<b>14</b> Other taxes. Attach Schedule 4.		<b>14</b>	
<b>15</b> Total tax. Add lines 13 and 14		<b>15</b>	
<b>16</b> Federal income tax withheld from Forms W-2 and 1099		<b>16</b>	
<b>17</b> Refundable credits: a EIC (see inst.) b Sch 8812 c Form 8863		<b>17</b>	
<b>17</b> Add any amount from Schedule 5		<b>17</b>	
<b>18</b> Add lines 16 and 17. These are your total payments		<b>18</b>	
<b>19</b> If line 18 is more than line 15, subtract line 15 from line 18. This is the amount you overpaid		<b>19</b>	
<b>20a</b> Amount of line 19 you want refunded to you. If Form 8888 is attached, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>20a</b>	
Direct deposit? See instructions <b>▶</b> b Routing number <b>▶</b> c Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Checking <input type="checkbox"/> Savings		<b>20b</b>	
<b>▶</b> d Account number		<b>20b</b>	
<b>21</b> Amount of line 19 you want applied to your 2019 estimated tax <b>▶</b> <b>21</b>		<b>21</b>	
<b>Amount You Owe</b> <b>22</b> Amount you owe. Subtract line 18 from line 15. For details on how to pay, see instructions <b>▶</b> <b>22</b>		<b>22</b>	
<b>23</b> Estimated tax penalty (see instructions) <b>▶</b> <b>23</b>		<b>23</b>	

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form1040](http://www.irs.gov/Form1040) for instructions and the latest information. Form **1040** (2018)





## CASE STUDY EXAMPLE 4

- High wage earner vs. real estate developer

## CASE STUDY – EXAMPLE 4

	2018 High wage earner	2018 Real estate developer
Income	3,000,000	3,000,000
20% pass-through deduction	-	(600,000)
Charitable contributions	(50,000)	(50,000)
Mortgage interest expense	(50,000)	(50,000)
Property & Oregon income tax	<del>(400,000)</del> (10,000)	(10,000)
<b>Total itemized deductions</b>	(110,000)	(110,000)
Taxable income	2,890,000	2,290,000
<b>Federal tax</b>	<b>1,033,429</b>	<b>786,679</b>

# DEPRECIATION

- 100% Bonus Depreciation
- Assets with  $\leq 15$  year MACRS lives
- “New to you” property qualifies (i.e., used)
- Qualified improvement property still needs technical correction to qualify
  - Currently 39 year MACRS life
  - Intended to be 15 year MACRS life
- Phases out 20% each year starting in 2023
- Watch contract date vs in-service date



# OTHER BUSINESS CONSIDERATIONS

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- Business interest expense limitation
- Net operating losses
- Excess business losses
- Carried interest
- 1031 exchanges/cost segregation
- Entertainment/meals expense & qualified transportation fringes for employees
- Oregon apportionment based upon “economic nexus” vs “cost of performance”
  - Change doesn’t apply to City of Portland/Multnomah County
- City of Portland 0.4% rate increase to 2.6%
- New partnership audit rules effective for 2018



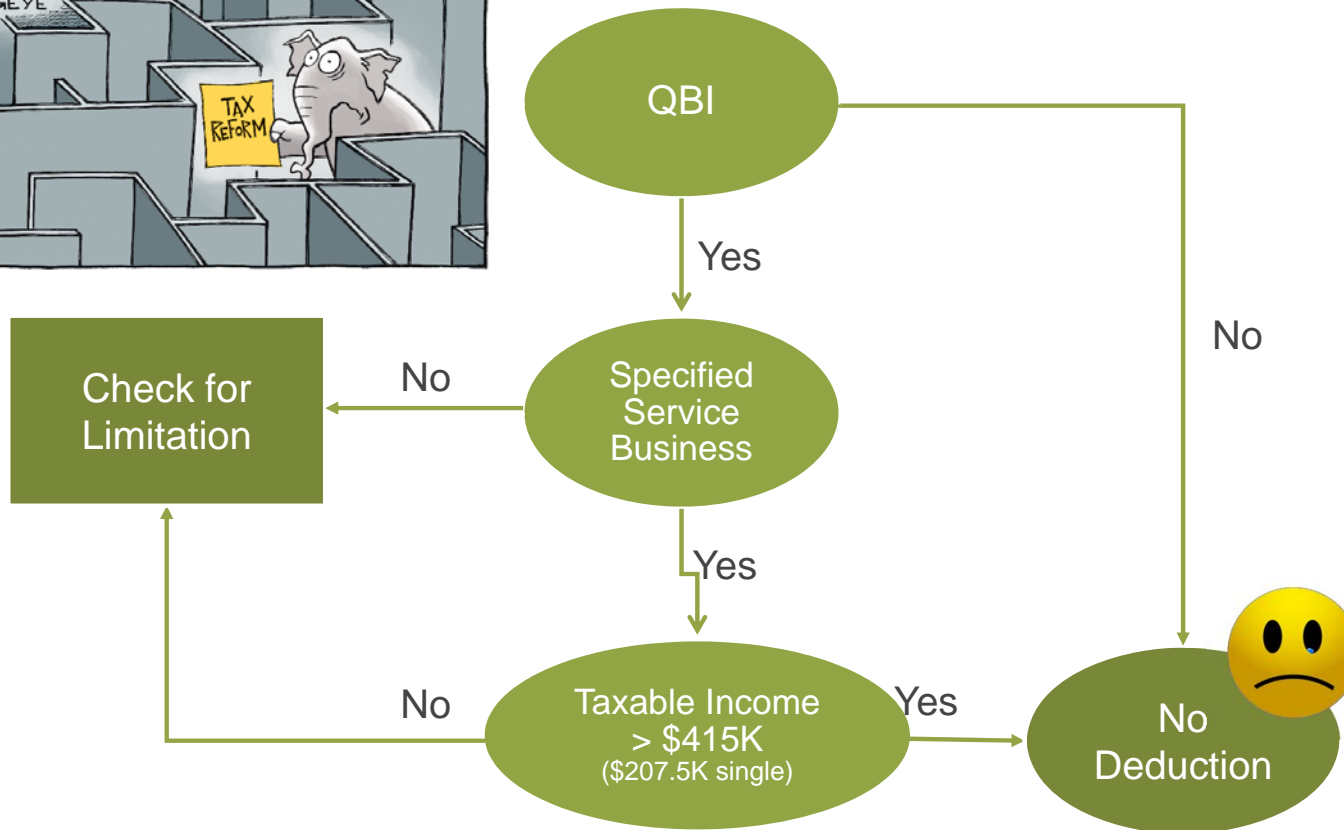


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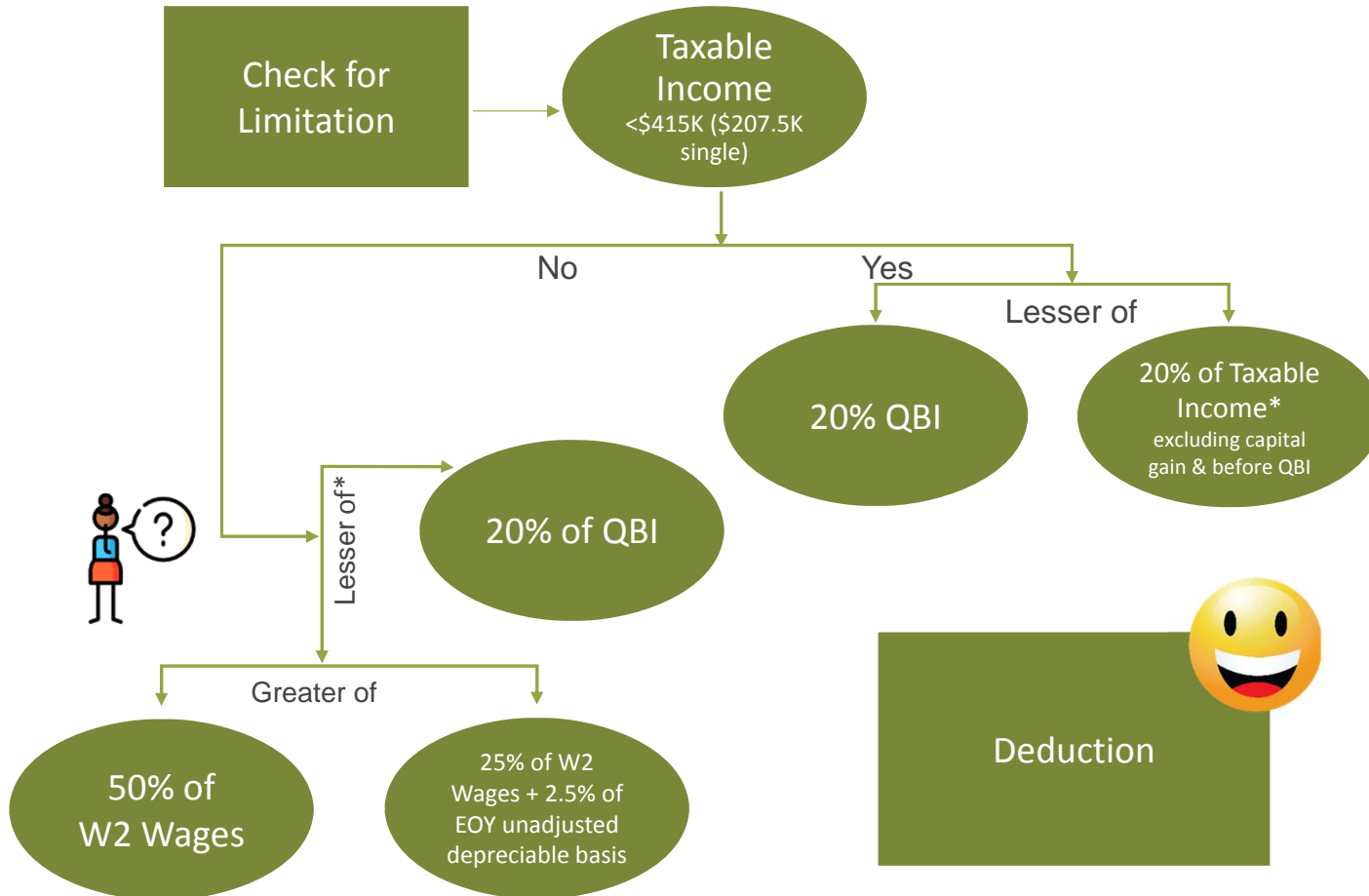
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ADDITIONAL DETAILS

# 20% DEDUCTION — QUALIFIED BUSINESS INCOME (QBI)



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*\*Deduction still limited to 20% of taxable income*



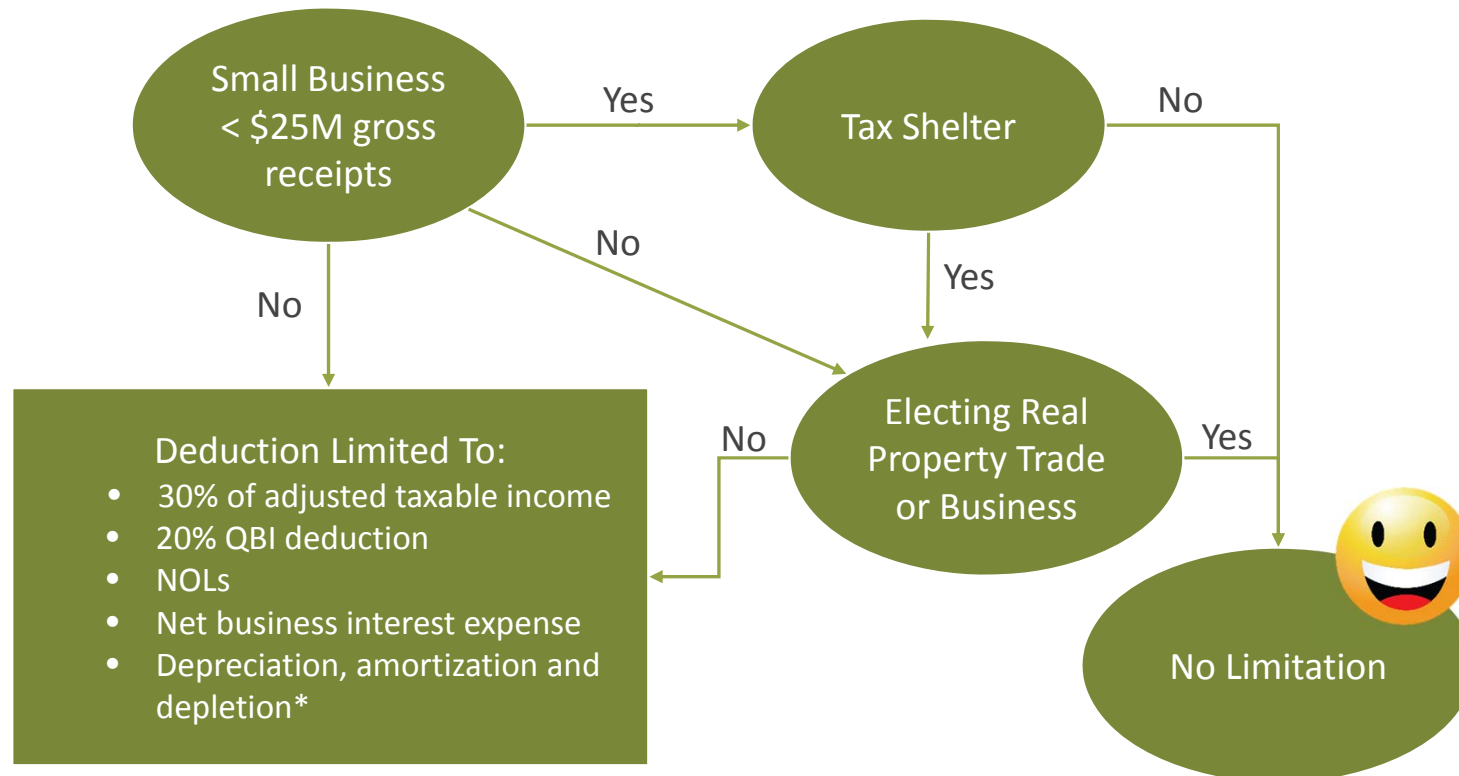
# 20% DEDUCTION – QBI CASE STUDY

SINGLE LLC BUSINESS OWNER

<b>Federal</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>Difference</b>
LLC Income	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0
SE Tax Deduction	(\$17,930)	(\$18,000)	(\$70)
Standard Deductions	(\$6,350)	(\$12,000)	(\$5,650)
QBI Deduction	<u>(\$0)</u>	<u>(\$150,000)</u>	<u>(\$150,000)</u>
Taxable Income	\$725,720	\$570,000	(\$155,720)
Tax Due (rounded)	\$283,500	\$217,000	(\$66,500)

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# BUSINESS INTEREST EXPENSE LIMITATION



*\*Only applicable to tax years before 2022*

# BUSINESS INTEREST EXPENSE CASE STUDY

## BUSINESS INTEREST EXPENSE LIMITATION

Income & Expense Items	2017	2018	2022
Gross Income	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
Operating Expenses	(\$150,000)	(\$150,000)	(\$150,000)
Depreciation	(\$75,000)	(\$75,000)	(\$75,000)
Amortization	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)
Interest Expense	(\$125,000)	(\$125,000)	(\$125,000)
30% Limitation Adjustment	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>	<u>\$45,500</u>
Taxable Income	\$140,000	\$160,000	\$185,500
Adjusted Taxable Income	N/A	\$350,000	\$265,000
30% Limitation	N/A	\$105,000	\$79,500



# NET OPERATING LOSSES

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- Limited to 80% of taxable income
  - Formerly 100% for regular tax and 90% for AMT
- Unused NOLs carried forward indefinitely and not allowed to be carried back
  - Formerly 2 year carryback, then 20 year carryforward (unless carryforward only election made)

# NET OPERATING LOSSES CASE STUDY

Income Source	2017	2019
W2 Wages	\$100,000	\$100,000
Interest & Dividends	\$5,000	\$5,000
Rental Income	\$45,000	\$45,000
Prior Year NOL	<u>(\$150,000)</u>	<u>(\$120,000)</u>
Total Income	\$0	\$30,000

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- For 2017, prior year \$250,000 NOL carried forward from 2016
  - For 2019, prior year \$250,000 NOL carried forward from 2018

# EXCESS BUSINESS LOSSES

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- Losses limited to \$500K MFJ (\$250K Single)
- Excess losses added to (NOL) carryforward
  - Limited to 90% of taxable income
- Pass-through entity loss limitations applied at partner/shareholder level



# EXCESS BUSINESS LOSSES CASE STUDY

Income Source	2017	2018
W2 Wages	\$400,000	\$400,000
Interest & Dividends	\$25,000	\$25,000
ST Capital Gains	\$175,000	\$175,000
Sch E Nonpassive Loss	<u>(\$600,000)</u>	<u>(\$500,000)</u>
Total Income	\$0	\$100,000

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Married taxpayer with  
nonpassive losses of \$600,000

# CARRIED INTEREST

- New 3 year holding period requirement
  - Partnership interest must meet three year holding period
  - Assets within the partnership must meet three year holding period
- Treated as short-term capital gain otherwise



# 1031 Exchanges/Cost Segregation

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- 1031 exchanges
  - Real property unchanged
  - Personal property eliminated
- Cost segregation
  - 100% bonus depreciation
    - New and used property (“new to you”)
    - Applies to assets acquired and placed in service between 9/28/2017 and 12/31/2022
    - Not eligible if elect out of business interest expense limitation and required to use ADS lives/methods
- Timing considerations and overlap of year-end

# Entertainment/Meals & Transportation Fringes

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- Entertainment expenses are no longer deductible
  - Includes professional and college sporting event tickets
- Most business and employee meals limited to 50%
  - De minimis fringe benefit exception (meals for convenience of employer) now subject to 50% limitation
  - Still some meals that qualify for 100% deduction
- Qualified transportation fringe benefits (parking, mass transit passes, etc.)
  - Deductible by employer if included in employee's taxable wages
  - Not deductible by employer if excluded from employee's taxable wages



# CHOICE OF ENTITY

- Sole Proprietor/Single-Member LLC
- Partnerships/LLCs
- S Corporation
- C Corporation

# C CORP VS S CORP CASE STUDY

	C Corp	S Corp	Difference
Taxable Income	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0
Corporate Tax Rate	21%	0%	21%
Tax Paid at Corp Level	<u>\$210,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Cash Available to Distribute to Owners	\$790,000	\$1,000,000	\$210,000
Distributions to Owners	\$790,000	\$1,000,000	\$210,000
QBI Deduction	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$200,000)</u>	<u>(\$200,000)</u>
Taxable Income	\$790,000	\$800,000	\$10,000
Individual Tax Rate	20%	37%	
Net Investment Income Tax	3.8%	0%	
Tax Paid at Individual Level	\$188,020	\$296,000	\$107,980
Total Tax Paid on Income	\$398,020	\$296,000	(\$102,020)
Cash Available after Tax	\$601,980	\$704,000	\$102,020
Effective Tax Rate	39.8%	29.6%	(10.2%)





## OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- Unrelated business taxable income (UBTI)
  - IRA investors beware
- City of Portland Tax
  - Rate increased to 2.6%
  - Owners Comp deduction increased to \$125,000

# New Partnership Audit Rules

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- “Partnership representative” replaces “tax matters partner”
  - Only person who can represent the partnership before the IRS
  - Granted broad authority unless otherwise limited in partnership/operating agreement
  - Not required to be a partner/member
- Partnerships can now be liable for tax underpayments
  - Tax is assessed at highest marginal rate (corporate or individual)
  - Certain qualifying partnerships can elect out, but limited application
  - Audit adjustments can be “pushed out”, but 2% increased interest rate cost for election
- State conformity lagging

THANK YOU



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