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Summary

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Töle is a farm in Björnlunda parish in Södermanland. Early records of its name include (*j*) *Tyladhe* (1550), *Tölede* (1551, 1556) and *Thöle* (1642). The lack of medieval occurrences makes a definite interpretation of the name impossible. The records that are known, however, suggest that the final element contains the word *ed(e)* ‘road, path between or along waters; tongue of land’ etc., which in this case could refer to a ford. The first element of *Töle* may contain a river name, OSw. **Tyrðha* f., formed from **tordh* ‘dirt, mud’, or an OSw. **tyrdhe* neut. ‘muddy ground, marshy ground’ or the like.