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APPLICATION FOR CLASSIFICATION AS OPEN SPACE LAND OR TIMBER LAND  
FOR CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT UNDER RCW 84.34

Skamania County Assessor

## FILE WITH THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Name of Applicant JIM TASKA Phone 1-206-837-3162  
Address M.P. 126 R. ALDER RD, WASHOUGAL, WA. 98671  
Property Location SKAMANIA COUNTY

1. Interest in property: ☒ Fee Owner ☐ Contract Purchaser ☐ Other (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Assessor's parcel or account number 02 05 34 00 0900 00
- Legal description of land to be classified THAT PART OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECT. 34, TWP 2 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST OF WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, SKAMANIA COUNTY, LYING EAST OF MABEE MINES RD,
3. What land classification is being applied for? ☐ Open Space ☒ Timber Land  
NOTE: A single application may be made on open space and timber land but a legal description must be furnished for the area of each different classification.
4. Total acres in application 36.4 21.0 J.T.
5. OPEN SPACE CLASSIFICATION Number of acres \_\_\_\_\_
6. Indicate what category of open space this land will qualify for: (See back for definitions)
- ☐ Open space zoning
  - ☐ Conserve and enhance natural or scenic resources
  - ☐ Protect streams or water supply
  - ☐ Promote conservation of soils, wetlands, beaches or tidal marshes
  - ☐ Enhance value to public of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations or sanctuaries or other open space
  - ☐ Preserve historic sites
  - ☐ Retain in natural state tracts of five (5) or more acres in urban areas and open to public use as reasonably required by granting authority
7. TIMBER LAND CLASSIFICATION Number of acres 36.4 21.0 J.T.
8. Do you have a timber management plan on this property? ☒ Yes ☐ No. If yes, submit a copy of that plan with this application.
9. If you have no timber management plan, specifically detail the use of this property to show that it "is devoted primarily to the growth and harvest of forest crops".  
AT PRESENT, ABOUT 2/3 OF THE ACREAGE IS GROWING HARDWOODS (MOSTLY ALDER) WITH SOME FIR, HEMLOCK AND CEDAR.
10. Describe the present current use of each parcel of land that is the subject of this application.  
(SEE ATTACHED PAGE)
11. Describe the present improvements on this property (buildings, etc.) NONE (THERE IS AN OLD BARN ON THE PROPERTY, BUT IT IS BADLY DECAYED AND PROBABLY BEYOND REPAIR.)
12. Attach a map of the property to show an outline of current uses of the property and indicate location of all buildings.
13. Is this land subject to a lease or agreement which permits any other use than its present use? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If yes, attach a copy of the lease or agreement.

NOTICE: The assessor may require owners to submit pertinent data regarding the use of classification.

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**OPEN SPACE LAND MEANS:**

- (a) Any land area so designated by an official comprehensive land use plan adopted by any city or county and zoned accordingly, or
- (b) Any land area, the preservation of which in its present use would (i) conserve and enhance natural or scenic resources, or (ii) protect streams or water supply, (iii) promote conservation of soils, wetlands, beaches or tidal marshes, or (iv) enhance the value to the public of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations or sanctuaries or other open space, or (v) enhance recreation opportunities or (vi) preserve historic sites, or (vii) retain in its natural state tracts of land not less than five acres situated in an urban area and open to public use on such conditions as may be reasonably required by the legislative body granting the open space classification.

**TIMBER LAND MEANS:**

Land in any contiguous ownership of five or more acres which is devoted primarily to the growth and harvest of forest crops and which is not classified as reforestation land pursuant to Chapter 84.28 RCW or as forest land under Chapter 84.33. Timber land means the land only.

**STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL TAX, INTEREST AND PENALTY DUE  
UPON REMOVAL FROM CLASSIFICATION UNDER RCW 84.34**

- Upon removal an additional tax shall be imposed which shall be due and payable to the county treasurer 30 days after removal or upon sale or transfer unless the new owner has signed the Notice of Continuity. The additional tax shall be the sum of the following:
  - The difference between the property tax paid as "Open Space Land" or "Timber Land" and the amount of property tax otherwise due and payable for the seven years last past had the land not been so classified; plus
  - Interest upon the amounts of the difference (a), paid at the same statutory rate charged on the delinquent property taxes.
  - A penalty of 20% shall be applied to the additional tax if the classified land is applied to some other use, except through compliance with the property owner's request for removal process, or except as a result of those conditions listed in (2) below.
- The additional tax, interest and penalty specified in (1) above, shall not be imposed if the removal resulted solely from:
  - Transfer to a government entity in exchange for other land located within the State of Washington.
  - A taking through the exercise of the power of eminent domain, or sale or transfer to an entity having the power of eminent domain in anticipation of the exercise of such power.
  - Sale or transfer of land within two years after the death of the owner of at least a fifty percent interest in such land.
  - A natural disaster such as a flood, windstorm, earthquake, or other such calamity rather than by virtue of the act of the landowner changing the use of such property.
  - Official action by an agency of the State of Washington or by the county or city within which the land is located which disallows the present use of such land.
  - Transfer to a church and such land would qualify for property tax exemption pursuant to RCW 84.36.020.
  - Acquisition of property interests by State agencies or agencies or organizations qualified under RCW 84.34.210 and 84.04.130 (See RCW 84.34.108(5g)).

**AFFIRMATION**

As owner(s) of the land described in this application, I hereby indicate by my signature that I am aware of the potential tax liability involved when the land ceases to be classified under the provisions of RCW 84.34. I also declare under the penalties for false swearing that this application and any accompanying documents have been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge it is a true, correct and complete statement.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th

Owner(s) or Contract Purchaser(s) Signatures

December, 19 86

Jim Aske

Notary Public in and for the State of

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All owners and purchasers must sign

**FOR LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY USE ONLY**

Date application received 12-19-86

By Glenn J. Kimmel

Amount of fee collected \$ 25.00 #19584

transmitted to Commissioners Date 4-27-87

**FOR GRANTING AUTHORITY USE ONLY**

Date received 4-27-87

By John Anderson

Application approved X Approved in part \_\_\_\_\_

Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Other notified of denial on \_\_\_\_\_

Date fee returned \_\_\_\_\_

Agreement executed on \_\_\_\_\_ Mailed on \_\_\_\_\_



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JIM TASKA

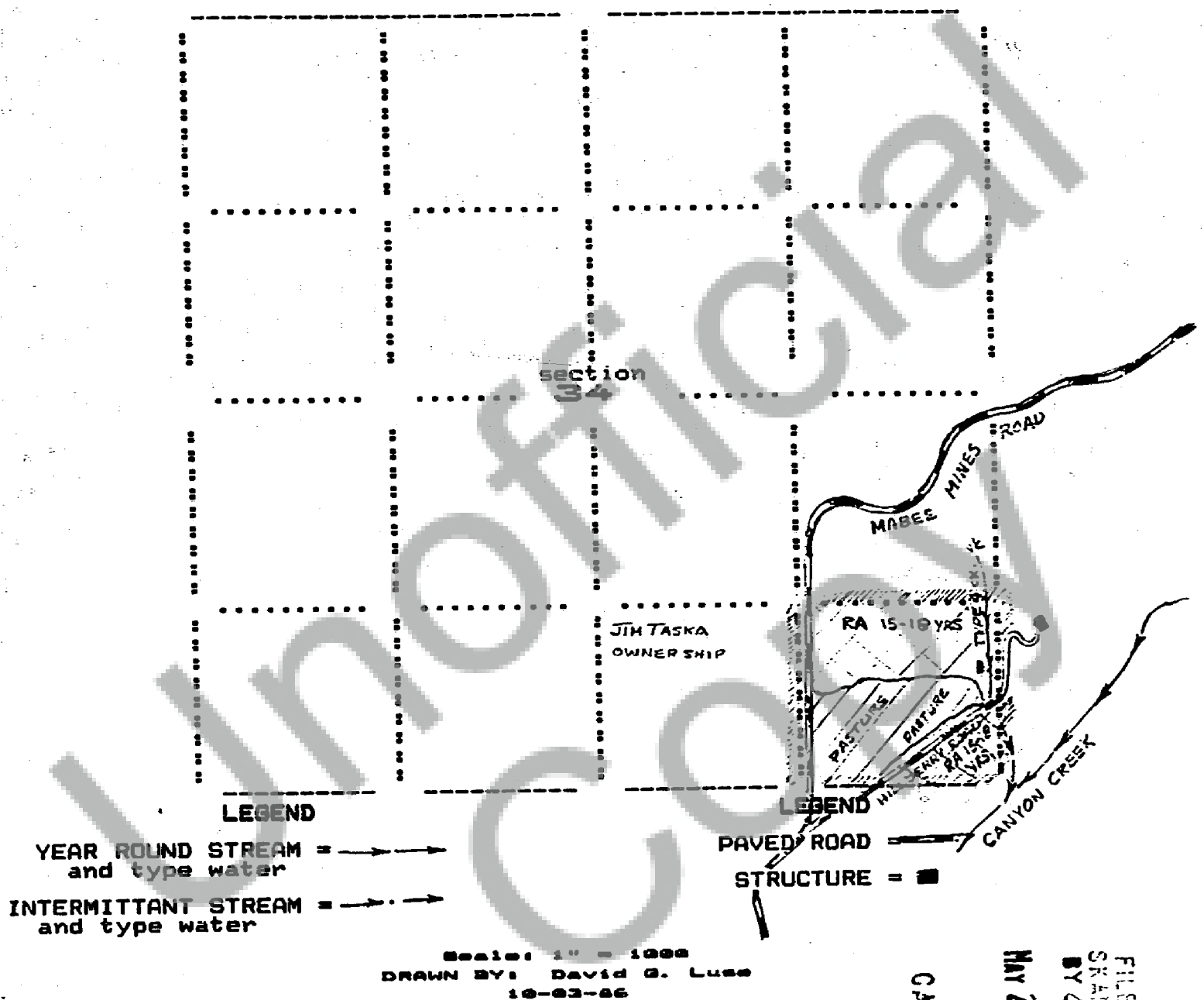
10.

THE (MOSTLY) ALDER ON THE PROPERTY IS NOT MATURE, AND SO IT SEEMS WASTEFUL TO CUT IT AT THIS TIME. I PROPOSE TO MANAGE THE LAND AS A STAND OF HARDWOOD UNTIL MATURITY; THIS MEANS REMOVAL OF FALLEN TREES & LIMBS, CONTROL OF GROWTH OF UNDERBRUSH, AND ALSO RE-PLANTING ON THOSE PORTIONS WHERE THE DENSITY OF EXISTING GROWTH IS LOW. I BELIEVE THIS APPROACH IS MORE OPTIMAL IN THE LONG RUN.

COVER TYPE MAP

JIM TASKA PROPERTY

TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH - RANGE 3 EAST, WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN



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BY *[Signature]*  
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AUDITOR  
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