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**NOTICE OF CONTINUANCE**  
**LAND CLASSIFIED AS CURRENT USE OR FOREST LAND**  
**Chapter 84.34 and 84.33 Revised Code of Washington**

Grantor(s) (Purchaser(s)) HOLTMANN, FREDERICK JAY

Grantee(s) SKAMANIA COUNTY

Legal Description: See attached Exhibit A - page 6

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Assessor's Property Tax Parcel or Account Number 03-10-16-0-0-0101-00

Reference Number(s) of Documents Assigned or Released Book F / Page 2

Name of Owner(s) (at time of original lien) HOLTMANN, EDWARD J

Recording Date of Original Lien 1975

If the new owner(s) of land that is classified under RCW 84.34 as Current Use Open Space, Farm and Agricultural, or Timber Land under 84.33 Designated Forest Land wish(es) to continue the Classification or Designation of this land all the New Owner(s) must sign page 2.

If the new owner(s) do(es) not desire to continue the classification or designation, all additional or compensating tax calculated pursuant to RCW 84.34.108 or RCW 84.33.120, 140 shall be due and payable by the seller or transferor at the time of sale. To determine if the land qualifies to continue classification or designation, the County Assessor should be consulted.

Interest in Property: ☐ Fee Owner ☐ Contract Purchaser ☐ Other

The property is currently classified under RCW 84.34 as:

☐ Open Space ☐ Farm & Agricultural ☐ Timber Land

RCW 84.33 ☒ Designated Forest Land.

I/We the purchaser(s) are aware of the definition of the deferred Tax Program this property is currently under as described in the information on pages 3 through 5.

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**Page 1 and 2 Must Be Recorded**

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*I/We declare that I/we have read and under stand the definition of the Classification the property is under. I/We declare that I/We are aware of the liability of withdrawal or removal of this property form the classification or designation.*

The agreement to tax according to use of the property is not a contract and can be annulled or canceled at any time by the Legislature (RCW 84.34.070).

Frederick Jay Holtmann 11-16-03  
Property Owner Signature Date

Frederick Jay Holtmann  
Property Owner Print Your Name

Po Box 530 White Salmon WA 98672  
Address City State Zip Code

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Property Owner Signature Date

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**INFORMATION ONLY**

**NOTICE OF CONTINUANCE  
LAND CLASSIFIED AS CURRENT USE  
OR DESIGNATED FOREST LAND**

**Chapter 84.34 and 84.33 Revised Code of Washington**

**1. OPEN SPACE LAND MEANS EITHER:**

- 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; (ii) protect streams or water supply; (iii) promote conservation of soils, wetlands, beaches, or tidal marshes; (iv) enhance the value to the public of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations or sanctuaries or other open space; (v) enhance recreation opportunities; (vi) preserve historic sites; (vii) preserve visual quality along highway, road, and street corridors or scenic vistas; or (viii) retain in its natural state tracts of land not less than one acre 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; or
- c) any land that meets the definition of farm and agricultural conservation land. "Farm and agricultural conservation land is either (i) land that was previously classified as open space farm and agricultural land that no longer meets the criteria of farm and agricultural land and that is reclassified as open space and under RCW 84.34.020(1); or (ii) land that is traditional farmland that is not classified under chapter 84.33 or 84.34 RCW, that has not been irrevocably devoted to a use inconsistent with agricultural uses, and that has a high potential for returning to commercial agriculture.

**2. FARM AND AGRICULTURAL LAND MEANS EITHER:**

- a) any land in contiguous ownership of twenty or more acres devoted: (i) primarily to the production of livestock or agricultural commodities, for commercial purposes; or (ii) enrolled in the federal conservation reserve program or its successor administered by the United States department of agriculture; or (iii) other similar commercial activities as may be established by rule; or
- b) any parcel of land at least five acres but less than twenty acres devoted primarily to agricultural uses and produces a gross income equal to two hundred dollars or more per acre per year for three out of the five calendar years preceding the date of application for classification under chapter 84.34 RCW; or
- c) any parcel of land that is less than five acres devoted primarily to agricultural uses and produces a gross income equal to fifteen hundred dollars or more per year for three out of the five calendar years preceding the date of application for classification under chapter 84.34 RCW; or
- d) any land on which the principal place of residence of the farm operator or owner of land or housing for employees is sited if the classified farm and agricultural land is classified pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, if the residence or housing is on or continuous to the classified parcel, and the use of the resident or housing is integral to the use of the classified land for agricultural purposes.



## Farm and Agricultural Land Means Either - Continuation

Agricultural land also includes (i) land on which appurtenances necessary for the production, preparation, or sale of commercial agricultural products are situated when the appurtenances are used in conjunction with the land(s) producing agricultural products, (ii) land incidentally used for an activity or enterprise that is compatible with commercial agricultural purposes as long as the incidental use does not exceed twenty percent of the classified land, and (iii) any noncontiguous parcel of land from one to five acres in size that constitutes an integral part of the commercial agricultural operations of a classified parcel of farm and agricultural land.

3. **TIMBER LAND MEANS:** Any land in contiguous ownership of five or more acres devoted primarily to the growing and harvesting of forest crops for commercial purposes and not classified as reforestation land pursuant to Chapter 84.28 RCW. Timber Land means the land only.

I/we declare that I am/we are aware of the liability of withdrawal or removal of this land from classification to the following extent:

1. If the owner has filed the proper notice of request to withdraw the classified land and the land has been classified for a minimum of ten years he/she shall pay an amount equal to the difference between the tax computed on the basis of "current use" and the tax computed on the basis of true and fair value plus interest at the same statutory rate charged on delinquent property taxes. The additional tax and interest shall be paid for the preceding seven years.
2. If land is removed from classification because of a change to a non-conforming use, land is removed prior to the minimum ten year period, or land is removed because the owner(s) failed to comply with the two year notice of withdrawal he/she shall be liable to pay the additional tax and interest described in 1 above plus a penalty of twenty percent of the additional tax and interest. The additional tax, interest, and penalty shall be paid for the preceding seven years.
3. The additional tax, interest, and/or penalty shall not be imposed if the withdrawal or removal from classification resulted solely from:
  - a) transfer to a government entity in exchange for other forest land located within the state of Washington;
  - b) 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 this power, said entity having manifested its intent in writing or by other official action;
  - c) a natural disaster such as a flood, windstorm, earthquake, or other calamity rather than by virtue of the act of the landowner changing the use of the classified land;
  - d) official action by an agency of the state of Washington or by the county or city within which the land is located that disallows the present classified use of the land;
  - e) transfer of land to a church when the land would qualify for exemption pursuant to RCW 84.36.020;
  - f) acquisition of property interests by a state or federal agency, county, city, town, metropolitan park district, metropolitan municipal corporation, nonprofit historic preservation corporation as defined in RCW 64.04.130, or nonprofit nature conservancy corporation or association as defined in RCW 84.34.250;
  - g) removal of classified farm and agricultural land on which the principal residence of the farm operator or owner or housing for employees;
  - h) removal of land from classification after enactment of a statutory exemption that qualifies the land for exemption and receipt of notice from the owner to remove the land from classification;
  - i) the creation, sale or transfer of forestry riparian easements under RCW 76.13.120; or
  - j) the creation, sale, or transfer of fee interest or a conservation easement for the riparian open space program under RCW 76.09.040.

**DESIGNATION UNDER CHAPTER 84.33 RCW.**

I/we request that this land retain its designation as forest land and I am/we are aware of the following definition of forest land:

**4. DESIGNATED FOREST LAND MEANS:**

- a. And is synonymous with timber land and means all land in contiguous ownership of at least twenty acres that is primarily devoted to and used for growing and harvesting timber. Forest Land means the land only, or
- b. Land that is primarily devoted to and used for growing and harvesting timber but whose value for the purposes may be greater than its value for use as forest land.

I/We declare that I am/we are aware of the liability of removal of this land for designation and upon removal a compensating tax shall be imposed that shall be equal to the difference between the amount of tax last levied on the land as forest land and an amount equal to the new assessed valuation of the land multiplied by the rate of the last levy extended against the land, multiplied by a number, not greater than ten, equal to the number of years the land was designated as forest land. (9 Years Plus Current Tax Year)

The compensating tax shall not be imposed if the removal of classification or designation resulted solely from:

- a) transfer to a government entity in exchange for other forest land located within the state of Washington;
- b) 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 this power;
- c) a donation of fee title, development rights, or the right to harvest timber, to a government agency or organization qualified under RCW 84.34.020 and 64.04.130 for the purposes enumerated in those sections or the sale or transfer of fee title to a governmental entity or a nonprofit nature conservancy corporation, as defined in RCW 64.04.130, exclusively for the protection and consideration of lands recommended for state natural area preserve purposes by the nature heritage council and natural heritage plan as defined in Chapter 79.70 RCW;
- d) the sale or transfer of fee title to the parks and recreation commission for park and recreation purposes;
- e) official action by an agency of the state of Washington or by the county or city within which the land is located that disallows the present use of the land;
- f) the creation, sale or transfer of forestry riparian easements under RCW 76.13.126; or
- g) the creation, sale, or transfer of fee interest or a conservation easement for the riparian open space program under RCW 76.09.040.

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## Exhibit A

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The Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 16, Township 3 North, Range 10 East of the Willamette Meridian;

ALSO, the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 16, Township 3 North, Range 10 East of the Willamette Meridian; EXCEPT the following described tract: Beginning at the quarter post on the east line of the said Section 16; thence West 80 rods; thence North 40 rods; thence East 24 rods; thence Southeast to a point on the East line of said Section 16 which is North 34.5 rods from said quarter post; thence South 34.5 rods to the point of beginning.



The undersigned acknowledges the property subject to transfer under deed dated August 5, 2003, parcel 03-10-16-0-0-0101-00, is under a timber program for growing and harvesting of timber. If Edward Jerome Holtmann and Lorraine Holtmann exercise the right to harvest timber, I will replant the property. I further acknowledge in that event a compensating tax will be due and I will owe it.

Frederick Jay Holtmann  
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