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

FILE WITH THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Name of Applicant Ralph S. Sutton Jr & Nancy Phone 206-837-3493
Address MP 12.54L, St. Rd. 140, Washougal WA 98671
Property Location _____

1. Interest in property: Fee Owner Contract Purchaser Other (Describe) _____
2. Assessor's parcel or account number 01-05-04-00-1100-80, 01-05-04-00-1100-00
Legal description of land to be classified _____

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 8

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

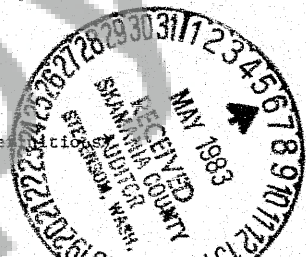
7. TIMBER LAND CLASSIFICATION Number of acres 8

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".

10. Describe the present current use of each parcel of land that is the subject of this application.
Forest Crops

11. Describe the present improvements on this property (buildings, etc.) _____

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.



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

1. 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 Continuancy. The additional tax shall be the sum of the following:
 - (a) 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
 - (b) Interest upon the amounts of the difference (a), paid at the same statutory rate charged on the delinquent property taxes.
 - (c) 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.
2. The additional tax, interest and penalty specified in (1) above, shall not be imposed if the removal resulted solely from:
 - (a) Transfer to a government entity in exchange for other 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 such power.
 - (c) Sale or transfer of land within two years after the death of the owner of at least a fifty percent interest in such land.
 - (d) 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.
 - (e) 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.
 - (f) Transfer to a church and such land would qualify for property tax exemption pursuant to RCW 84.36.020.

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 9 day of Dec, 1982

Owner(s) or Contract Purchaser(s) Signatures

James M Smith
 Notary Public
 in and for the State of Washington
 Vancouver.

Joseph A. Sutter, Jr.
Jancy Sutter
George Maruy Sutter

All owners and purchasers must sign

FOR LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY USE ONLY

Date application received 12-17-82 By *Eric Weber*
 Amount of fee collected \$25 Rec# Transmitted to _____ Date _____

FOR GRANTING AUTHORITY USE ONLY 11594(12-28-82)

Date received _____ By _____
 Application approved Approved in part _____ Denied _____ Owner notified of denial on _____
 Date fee returned _____ Agreement executed on _____ Mailed on _____



LINDA L. LETHLEAN
ASSESSOR

SKAMANIA COUNTY ASSESSOR

STEVENSON, WASHINGTON 98648

PHONE (509) 427-5141

December 20, 1982

Ralph S. Sutton, Jr.
MP 12.54L SR 140
Washougal WA 98671

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Our office has received your application for Open Space Timber Land. A twenty-five (\$25.00) dollar filing fee is required with the application. Please remit the fee so your application can be processed.

I would also like to bring to your attention that the acreage around your home has been included in the nine (9) acres. One acre must be left out of classification for any home site.

I recommend that your request be changed to eight (8) acres or this office will have to make such a recommendation.

Sincerely,

Sharon Sorensen DoByne
Sharon Sorensen DoByne
Chief Deputy

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change to 8 per her call they will go along with our recommendation.



Department of Natural Resources
P.O. Box 798 Castle Rock, WA 98611-0798

BRIAN J. BOYLE
Commissioner of Public Lands

January 27, 1982

Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Sutton
M.P. 12.54L State Road 140
Washougal, Washington 98607

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Sutton:

I have inspected your land as per your telephone request, and drafted the following stand description and management plan. As I explained to Mrs. Sutton, there are federal programs which offer economic assistance for some forest management activities. Information about these programs are available at the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service in Vancouver (phone 696-7649).

If you have any further questions feel free to contact our office at 577-2025 or 696-6644.

Sincerely,

David G. Luse

David G. Luse
Local Manager
Washougal Unit

DGL:sv

Attachment
(Management Plan & map)

cc: WS30
YA25
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r.f.

MANAGEMENT PLAN

The property is approximately 16 acres located at mile post 12.54L on the north side of State Road 140. The parcel has aspects ranging from northeast to west and slopes ranging between 10% and 40%, averaging about 30%. Soils appear to be clay loam, and are suitable for timber production. Site index is about 116, and site class is 3. Of the approximately 16 acres owned, 9 acres are currently producing timber. The average age of the stand is about 40-50 years and ranges from about 6" to 18" dbh.

Recommendations:

No further pre-commercial treatments are needed. Some of the hardwood species and smaller suppressed conifers can be removed at this time either for commercial firewood production or home use. Harvesting of the remaining conifers should be delayed for approximately 20 years until maturity. Following harvest, a site preparation treatment such as piling and burning the slash should be sufficient to allow the establishment of an even-aged Douglas fir stand.

Further treatments should be planned for 4-6 years (brush control to reduce competition from non-commercial species), and 10-15 years (pre-commercial thinning to release the best conifers). A commercial thinning at age 30-40 years is an option, however soil compaction and associated growth loss may negate the benefit of such an operation.

The stand should be mature and ready for harvest again at age 60-80 years.

The remaining acreage on this parcel could be retained in its present use (pasture), or planted to Douglas fir and managed for timber production using the same specifications noted for the original 9 acre stand.

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By D. LOSE

Owner RALPH SUTTON

District SW YAWS Date 1-20-82

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