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A. CLASSIFICATION UNDER CHAPTER 84.34 RCW. I/we request that this land retain the current use classification as Open Space Land, Farm and Agricultural Land, Timberland, and I am/we are aware of the following use classification of the land:

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
- 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 classification; or
- 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:

- 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
- 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 contiguous to the classified parcel, and the use of the residence or housing is integral to the use of the classified land for agricultural purposes.

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.

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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

- 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 in 1 above plus a penalty of twenty percent of the additional tax and interest described interest, and penalty shall be paid for the preceding seven years.
- The additional tax, interest, and/or penalty shall not be imposed if the withdrawal or removal 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 this power, said entity having manifested its intent in writing or by other official action;
 - 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;
 - 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;
 - transfer of land to a church when the land would qualify for exemption pursuant to RCW
 - 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; or
 - removal of classified farm and agricultural land on which the principal residence of the farm operator or owner or housing for employees.

(B) CLASSIFICATION UNDER CHAPTER 84.33 RCW. I/we request that this land retain its classification or designation as forest land and I am/we are aware of the following definition of forest

FOREST LAND means and is synonymous with timberland 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

- CLASSIFIED FOREST LAND is land whose highest and best use is the growing and harvesting
- DESIGNATED FOREST LAND is land that is primarily devoted to and used for growing and harvesting timber but whose value for other purposes may be greater than its value for use as

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Uwe declare that I am/we are aware of the liability of removal of this land from classification or 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 millage 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 classified or designated as forest

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

- transfer to a government entity in exchange for other forest land located within the state of a) 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 this power;
- having the power of eminent domain in anticipation of the exercise of this power; a donation of fee title, development rights, or the right to harvest timber, to a government agency or organization qualified under RCW 84.34.210 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 conservation of lands recommended for state natural area preserve purposes by the natural heritage council and natural heritage plan as defined in Chapter 79.70 RCW; or

the sale or transfer of fee title to the parks and recreation commission for park and recreation

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PARCEL I

Any and all water rights appurtenant to the following:

Lot 5, EXCEPT that portion lying Easterly of Ausplund County Road (County Road #3091); ALL of Lot 6; the Northeast Quarter of Lot 7; the East 1/2 of Lot 11 EXCEPT that portion thereof conveyed to Skamania County for Cook-Underwood County Road by instrument dated March 11, 1975 and recorded April 1, 1975 in Book 68 of Deeds at page 620 under Auditor's File No. 78963 and EXCEPT that portion of said East 1/2 of Lot 11 lying Southerly of the South right-of-way line of said Cook-Underwood County Road; Lot 12 EXCEPT that portion thereof conveyed to Skamania County by said Auditor's File No. 78963 above and EXCEPT that portion of said Lot 12 lying Southerly of the South right-of-way of said Cook-Underwood County Road and EXCEPT that portion of said Lot 12 lying Easterly of Ausplund County Road (County Road #3091); ALL in SEELEY'S SUBDIVISION of the Southwest Quarter of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 10 East of the Willamette Meridian, according to the recorded plat thereof in the office of the Auditor of Skamania County, Washington.

PARCEL II

ALL that portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW 1/4 SE 1/4) of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 10 E.W.M., lying Westerly of the county road known and designated as the Ausplund Road and Northerly of the county road known and designated as the Underwood-Willard Highway.

PARCEL III

That portion of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW 1/4 SE 1/4) of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 10 E.W.M., lying westerly of the county road known and designated as the Ausplund Road.

PARCEL IV

An undivided 17/96ths interest in and to the South 7/12 of Government Lots 3 and 4 of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 10 East of the W.M.

PARCEL V

An undivided 3/16ths interest in and to the North 5/12 of Government Lots 3 and 4 of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 10 East of the W.M.

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April 20, 2000

Mark B. Wharry 2300 SW Hoffman Avenue Portland, OR 97201

Gary Martin Assessor Skamania County Courthouse P.O. Box 790 Stevenson, WA 98648

Subject:

Continuance Current Farm and Agricultural Use Tax Parcel No. 03-10-19-0-0-0800-00

Please accept this letter as confirmation of intent to continue the current agricultural land use for the above identified parcel. The land is currently under cultivation as follows:

- Approximately 8 acres of pear trees (anjou and bartlette). Approximately 20 acres of alfalpha. Miscellaneous apple trees.
- **2**.

The intent is to keep the land in its current commercial agricultural use. I understand that the County will require annual documentation regarding the economic income derived from the property in order to maintain its current "Farm & Agricultural Land" tax status.

Sincerely,

Mark B. Wharry