

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

FILE WITH THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

PL95-0252

DEC 29 1995

Name of Applicant THOREN, J. Arnold & Fran Phone 826-5316

Address 2755 So. Skagit Hwy. Sedro Woolley, Wash. 98284 COMM. DEVELOP. DIV.

Property Location 7 mile marker So. Skagit Hwy.

1. Interest in property: ☐ Fee Owner ☐ Contract Purchaser ☐ Other (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Assessor's parcel or account number 350525-3-001-0107 P40184  
Legal description of land to be classified (Sec.) Reg. 412-415 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 SW 1/4 TPBTH  
E PLW N LI 1107 FT TH S 330 FT TH W 1107 FT TH N 330 FT TPB except that  
portion 20 ft E TH 150 ft N TH 116 ft E TH 150 ft S TH 96' W to Puget Power Vault "C" (see plan for complete)
3. Land classification that is being sought? ☒ Open Space ☒ Timber Land  
NOTE: A single application may be made for both open space and timber land, but a separate legal description must be furnished for each area that classification is being sought.
4. Total acres in application 8.2 acres

5. OPEN SPACE CLASSIFICATION

Number of acres 8.2

6. Indicate what category of open space this land will qualify for: (See reverse side 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 public recreation opportunities
  - ☐ Enhance value to public of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations or sanctuaries
  - ☐ Preserve historic sites
  - ☐ Preserve visual quality along highway, road, and street corridors or scenic vistas.
  - ☐ Retain in natural state tracts of one (1) or more acres in urban areas and open to public use as reasonably required by granting authority
  - ☐ Farm and agricultural conservation land as defined in RCW 84.34.020(8)

7. TIMBER LAND CLASSIFICATION

Number of acres 8

Definition: "Timber land" means any parcel of land that is five or more acres or multiple parcels of land that are contiguous and total five or more acres which is or are devoted primarily to the growth and harvest of forest crops for commercial purposes. A timber management plan shall be filed with the county legislative authority at the time (a) an application is made for classification as timber land pursuant to this chapter or (b) when a sale or transfer of timber land occurs and a notice of classification continuance is signed. Timber land means land only.

8. Submit a copy of your timber management plan with this application. Guidelines for a timber management plan are available from the county assessor.

A timber management plan will include the following:

- a) a legal description or assessor's parcel numbers for the property,
  - b) date of acquisition of land,
  - c) a brief description of timber or if harvested, the owners plan for restocking,
  - d) if land is used for grazing,
  - e) whether land and applicant are in compliance with restocking, forest management, fire protection, insect & disease control, etc.,
  - f) a summary of past experience and current and continuing activity,
  - g) a map of property outlining current use of property and indicating location of all buildings.
9. Describe the present improvements on this property (buildings, etc.) Residence
10. 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 agreement.

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

**OPEN SPACE LAND MEANS:**

- (a) Any land area so designated by a comprehensive land use plan adopted by a city or county authority, or
- (b) Any land area, in which the preservation 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 corridor 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 granting authority.
- (c) Or, any land meeting the definition of "farm and agricultural conservation land".

**STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL TAX, INTEREST, AND PENALTY DUE UPON REMOVAL OF CLASSIFICATION**

1. Upon removal of classification, 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 Continuance. 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 last seven years 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 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 withdrawal 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 removal resulted solely from:
- (a) Transfer to a governmental 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) 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.
  - (d) Official action by an agency of the State of Washington or by the county or city where the land is located disallowing the present use of such land.
  - (e) Transfer of land to a church when such land would qualify for property tax exemption pursuant to RCW 84.36.020.
  - (f) Acquisition of property interests by State agencies or agencies or organizations qualified under RCW 84.34.210 and 64.04.130 (See RCW 84.34.108(5)(f)).
  - (g) Removal of land classified as farm & agricultural land under RCW 84.34.020(2)(d) (farm homestead).

**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 provisions of CH. 84.34 RCW. 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.

Signatures of all Owner(s) or Contract Purchaser(s)

[Signature]  
[Signature]

All owners and purchasers must sign.

**FOR LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY USE ONLY**

Date application received \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of processing fee collected \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Transmitted to \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR GRANTING AUTHORITY USE ONLY**

Date received \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_

Application approved \_\_\_\_\_ Approved in part \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Owner notified of denial on \_\_\_\_\_

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

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

J. ARNOLD THOREEN PROPERTY

That portion of the Northeast  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Southwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 25, Township 35 North, Range 5 East, W.M., described as follows:

Beginning at a point 190 feet North and 40 feet West of the Southeast corner of said subdivision;  
thence West 200 feet;  
thence North  $78^{\circ}$  West 108 feet;  
thence North  $80^{\circ}$  West 212 feet;  
thence North  $44^{\circ}$  West 305 feet;  
thence North  $24^{\circ}$  West 182 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING;  
thence East 96 feet;  
thence North 150 feet;  
thence West 116 feet;  
thence South 150 feet;  
thence East 20 feet, more or less, to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Situate in the County of Skagit, State of Washington

THOREEN J Arnold

2755 So. Skagit Hwy Sedro Woolley (360) 824-5314

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### Application for Open Space Timberland classification

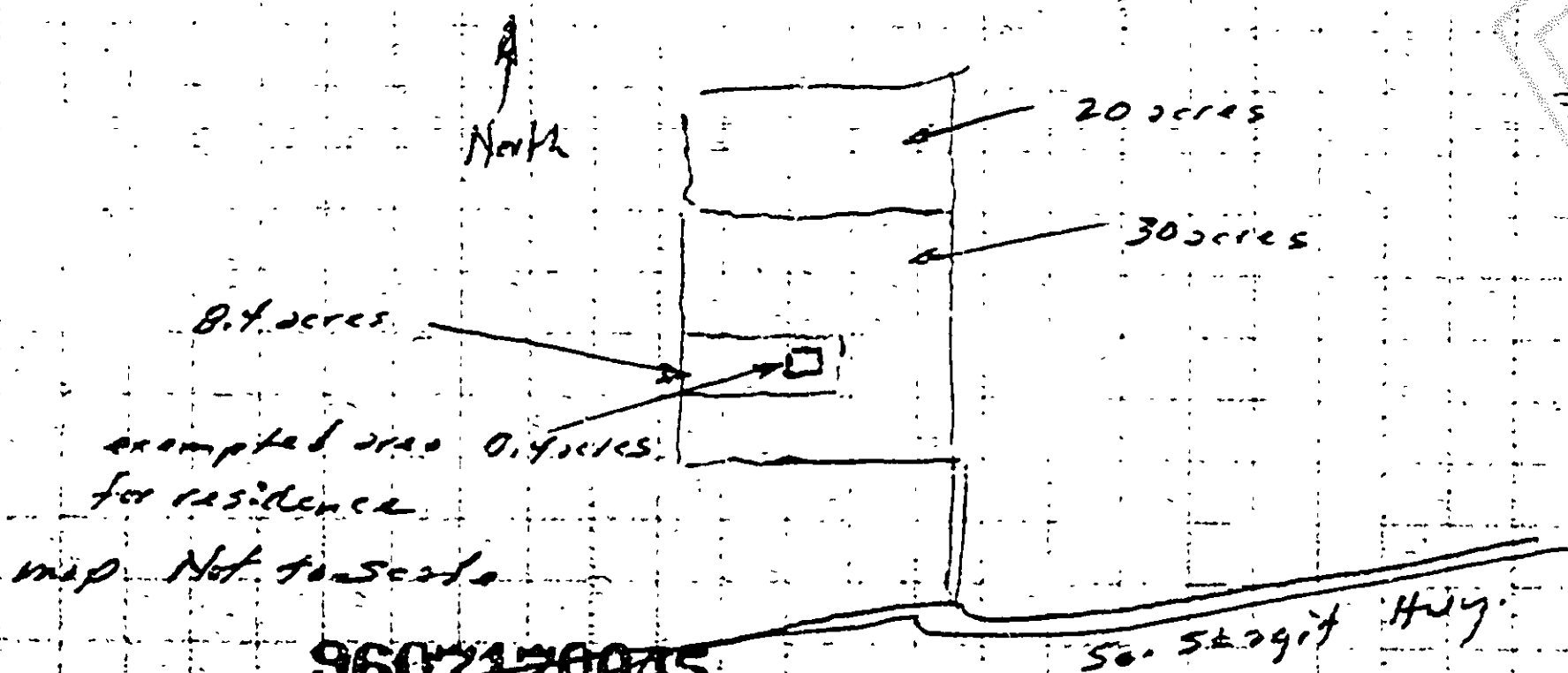
I currently own 58.4 acres with a residence at 2755 So. Skagit Hwy. The North 20 acres was purchased from Simpson Properties Inc. several <sup>1984</sup> years ago and I have continued with the Timberland classification that <sup>1973</sup> that was under when purchased. Of the other 38.4 acres I put 30 acres into Open Space Timber <sup>1977</sup> years ago, leaving out 8.4 acres to allow for a residence. We have now sited the residence and wish to put the maximum amount of the 8.4 acres into the surrounding Open Space Timber (I calculated 0.4 acres for the residence). This would make:

38 acres Open Space Timberland  
0.4 acres Residence

For the location of the Residence I have attached a copy of Puget Power's vault location with this application.

The current account nos. are: 20 acres Timberland 350525-2-002-0009  
30 acres Open Space 350525-3-001-0008  
8.4 acres residence 350525-3-001-0107

All the land is contiguous and is under a Stewardship Plan through DNR (since March 1993). I own all the land free and clear.



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WR: Bob Kuzen  
Geary Silberton - our own own

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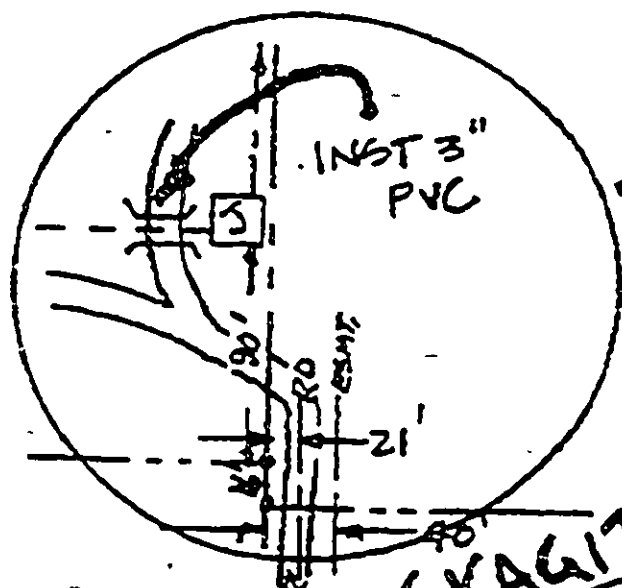
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ATD B RUN(1) I/O SOL  
PRI CABLE 745  
(790 TOT) # 8657

"B to D" (1) 110 SOL PR  
CABLE 1660'  
(1680 TOT) # 8658

"B TO C" (1) 1/2 SOL PER CABLE  
1007' (1020' TOT) # 8659

(THOREN) P.L.



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6: SKAGIT HWY

9 SPANKS  
TO  
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Not To  
SCALE  
SEC 25(35-5)

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THIS MAP IS NOT INTENDED TO REPRESENT THE PRECISE LOCATION OR THE EXTENT OF PUGET POWER'S PRESENT OR FUTURE FACILITIES.

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OPEN SPACE TAXATION AGREEMENT  
RCW 84.34

# 16/07

(TO BE USED FOR "OPEN SPACE" OR "TIMBER LAND" CLASSIFICATION ONLY)

This Agreement between ARN and Fran Thoren

hereinafter called the "Owner", and SKagit County

hereinafter called the "Granting Authority".

Whereas the owner of the following described real property having made application for classification of that property under the provisions of RCW 84.34:

Assessor's Parcel or Account Numbers: 350525-3-001-0107

Legal Description of Classified Land: See Attachment "A"

And whereas, both the owner and granting authority desire to limit the use of said property, recognizing that such land has substantial public value as open space and that the preservation of such land constitutes an important physical, social, esthetic, and economic asset to the public, and both parties agree that the classification of the property during the life of this Agreement shall be for:

☐ OPEN SPACE LAND ☒ TIMBER LAND

Now, therefore, the parties, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions set forth herein, do agree as follows:

1. During the term of this Agreement, the land shall only be used in accordance with the preservation of its classified use.
2. No structures shall be erected upon such land except those directly related to, and compatible with the classified use of the land.
3. This Agreement shall be effective commencing on the date the legislative body receives the signed Agreement from the property owner, and shall remain in effect for a period of at least ten (10) years.
4. This Agreement shall run with the land described herein and shall be binding upon the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.
5. Withdrawal: The land owner may withdraw from this Agreement if after a period of eight years the land owner makes a withdrawal request, which request is irrevocable, to the assessor. Two years from the date of that request the assessor shall withdraw the land from the classification, and the applicable taxes and interest shall be imposed as provided in RCW 84.34.070.
6. Breach: After land has been classified and as Agreement executed, any change of use of the land, except through compliance with items (5) or (7) of this Agreement, shall be considered a breach of this Agreement, and subject to applicable taxes, penalties and interest as provided in RCW 84.34.080 and 84.34.108.
7. A breach of Agreement shall not occur and the additional tax shall not be imposed if the removal of designation 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, 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 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.
  - (g) Acquisition of property interests by State agencies or agencies or organizations qualified under RCW 84.34.210 and 64.04.130 (See RCW 84.34.108 (5g)).
8. The county assessor may require classified land owners to submit pertinent data regarding the use of the land, and such similar information pertinent to continued classification and appraisal of the land.

This Agreement shall be subject to the following conditions:

Applicant shall comply with Forest Stewardship Management Plan prepared by Mark Hitchcock, Professional Forester. (copy attached)  
Attachment "B"

It is declared that this Agreement contains the classification and conditions as provided for in RCW 84.34 and the conditions imposed by this Granting Authority.

Dated MAY 21, 1996

Granting Authority:

*Robert Harris* *ghw*  
City or County

SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
Title

As owner(s) of the herein described land I (we) indicated by my (our) signature(s) that I (we) are aware of the potential tax liability hereby accept the classification and conditions of this Agreement.

Dated MAY 28, 1996

*J. Thoreen*  
Owner(s)

*Fran Thoreen*  
(Must be signed by all owners)

Date signed Agreement received by Legislative Authority MAY 30, 1996

Prepare in triplicate with one completed copy to each of the following:

Owner(s)  
Legislative Authority  
County Assessor

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Attachment "A"

Property Location:

Only 8 ac of the following  
58.4 acres in the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 and in that  
portion of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 lying southerly  
of Ross Island slough; all of Section 25, Township 35  
North, Range 5 East, Willamette Meridian.



SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING AND PERMIT CENTER  
FINDING OF FACT

HEARING AUTHORITY: SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER  
HEARING DATE: May 1 1996  
APPLICATION NUMBER: PL95-0252 (OST 95-003)  
APPLICANT: ARN AND FRAN THOREEN  
ADDRESS: 2755 SOUTH SKAGIT HIGHWAY  
SEDRO-WOOLLEY, WA 98284

PROJECT LOCATION: The subject property is located at 2755 South Skagit Highway, Sedro-Woolley, Washington, a portion of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 25, Township 35 North, Range 5 East W.M. Skagit County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Open Space Timber Request to allow the inclusion of approximately 8 acres in the Timber Open Space Program.

ASSESSOR'S ACCOUNT NUMBER: 350525-3-001-0107  
PARCEL ID NUMBER: P 40184

STAFF FINDINGS:

1. The following items are submitted as exhibits:
  1. Application dated December 29, 1995
  2. Assessor's map (reduced)
  3. Forest Stewardship Management Plan prepared by Mark Hitchcock, dated March 21 1993.
2. The subject property is zoned Agriculture Reserve and the North Central Comprehensive Plan designates the area as Agriculture.
3. The public hearing has been advertised in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 14.04.240 (13) of the Skagit County Code.
4. The subject property is located out of any designated flood hazard areas.

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5. The application has been reviewed in accordance with the State Environmental Act Guidelines WAC 197-11-800 (6)(c) and has been found to be exempt.
6. Per RCW 84.34.020(3) a minimum of 5 acres of "Timber land" is necessary to be included in the Open Space Program. The subject property is a portion of 58.4 acre parcel. The Thoreens purchased the north 20 acres in 1973 which was already in a classified forest program. They purchased the additional 38.4 acres in 1977 and put 30 acres into Timber Open Space, leaving out 8.4 acres for a residence. They have now sited the residence and wish to include 8 acres of the remaining amount into the program. A site visit confirms there is an existing residence on the property. The applicant has provided the legal description for the .4 acre that will not be included in the program.
7. The applicant has submitted a Forest Stewardship Management Plan prepared by Mark Hitchcock, Professional Forester, dated March 21 1993 for the subject property.
8. The following are staff comments in regard to the Timber Open Space criteria as outlined in RCW 84.34.041 as they apply to this request: The applicant has submitted a Forest Stewardship Management Plan which is in compliance with this section. The applicant has attached a legal description and Assessor's map for the site. The majority of the timber is approximately 70 years old. Approximately 20 acres were clearcut in 1989 and replanted with Douglas fir seedlings. The present forest stand is dominated by western hemlock and red alder. The applicant has demonstrated in his management plan that he meets the criteria for fire protection per RCW 76.04.600. The management plan is in compliance with the restocking, forest management, insect and disease control, weed control and forest debris provisions of Title 76 RCW. By signing the application form, the applicant is fully aware of the potential tax liability involved when the land ceases to be classified as timber land.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the above findings the Planning and Permit Center would recommend approval of the request for inclusion into the Open Space Timber program with the following condition:

1. The applicant shall comply with the Timber management plan as submitted.

Prepared by: MS

Approved by: JNM

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RESOLUTION NO. 16167

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING A TIMBER OPEN SPACE APPLICATION  
OF ARN and FRAN THOREEN

WHEREAS, the Skagit County Hearing Examiner held a public hearing on May 1, 1996 to review the Open Space Timber application of ARN and FRAN THOREEN and adopted Findings of Fact and a Recommendation which were submitted to the Board of Skagit County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, in open session, the Skagit County Board of Commissioners has reviewed the application and Findings and Recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Skagit County Commissioners hereby adopts the Findings and Recommendation of the Hearing Examiner and approves the Timber Open Space application of ARN and FRAN THOREEN subject to any conditions listed in the Hearing Examiner Recommendation.

WITNESS our hands and official seal this 21<sup>ST</sup> day of MAY, 1996.



ATTEST:

Debby Sims  
Debby Sims  
Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

TED W. ANDERSON, Chairman

Harvey Wolden  
HARVEY WOLDEN, Commissioner

Robert Hart  
ROBERT HART, Commissioner

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cc: APPLICANT, PLANNING, ASSESSOR

OT 95 0252.REC

**SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER**  
**STATE OF WASHINGTON**

In the matter of:  
Application OT 95 0252  
of ARN and FRAN THOREEN  
for Timber Open Space  
for Inclusion of 8 acres in the  
Timber Open Space Classification

)  
) Findings of Fact  
) Recommendation  
) No. OT 95 0252  
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THIS MATTER having come regularly before the Skagit County Hearing Examiner for a Public Hearing under an application filed with the Skagit County Department of Planning and Community Development on behalf of the Applicant requesting an Open Space Timber Classification as described in the attached Report and Findings of that Department and located at 2755 South Skagit Highway, Sedro Woolley, WA; within a portion of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 25, Township 35 North, Range 5 East, W.M., Skagit County, Washington;

Assessor Account No: 350525-3-001-0107

And, notice having been given to all property owners within 300 feet of said property, the property having been posted in accordance with Section 14.04 of the Skagit County Code, the public hearing advertised in accordance with Section 14.104 of the Skagit County Code, and all matters in the file having been considered together with the testimony, evidence, and exhibits in open hearing and made a part of the record in this matter; the Hearing Examiner makes the following findings of fact.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. May 1, 1996 was fixed as the date of the public hearing and the Hearing Examiner held a public hearing on that date.
2. All persons present at the Public Hearing were given an opportunity to present evidence and testimony, and all correspondence received was made a part of the record.
3. The Department of Planning and Community Development issued the attached Report and Findings of that Department. The Hearing Examiner adopts Findings one (1) through eight (8) as presented in that Report.
4. The applicant has had a Forest Stewardship Management Plan prepared by Mark Hitchcock, Professional Forester.
5. The Hearing Examiner has reviewed this application with respect to the requirements of the Skagit County Code and the Revised Code of Washington.

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**CONCLUSIONS**

The Hearing Examiner, having duly considered the matter, including all the evidence presented and on file, comments from interested persons, information and comments from other county departments affected, independent studies of the Planning Department, and the evidence presented at the public hearing; finds that the application has been reviewed in accordance with the definitions and requirements referenced above and has been found to be compatible with those criteria.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Hearing Examiner recommends APPROVAL of the application for inclusion of the subject property in the Timber Open Space Classification subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall comply with the Forest Stewardship Management Plan prepared by Mark Hitchcock for the subject property.

SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

  
ROBERT C. SCHOFIELD

Date of Recommendation: May 7, 1996

Copies Transmitted to Applicant: May 7, 1996

Attachment: Staff Report and Findings

C: Applicant, Applicant File, Board of County Commissioners, Hearing Examiner

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4. The subject property is located out of any designated flood hazard areas.

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5. The application has been reviewed in accordance with the State Environmental Act Guidelines WAC 197-11-800 (6)(c) and has been found to be exempt.
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RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the above findings the Planning and Permit Center would recommend approval of the request for inclusion into the Open Space Timber program with the following condition:

1. The applicant shall comply with the Timber management plan as submitted.

Prepared by: MS

Approved by: JNN