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DOCUMENT TITLE: **TEMPORARY EASEMENT**

REFERENCE NUMBER OF RELATED DOCUMENT: *Not Applicable*

GRANTOR(S): **Alexis Esterly Romero**, a married person, as her sole and separate property and **Megan Lil Palmer**, a single person, as her sole and separate property.

GRANTEE(S): **Skagit County**, a political subdivision of the State of Washington.

ABBREVIATED LEGAL DESCRIPTION: A temporary easement located within a portion of Ptn SW ¼ NW ¼ Sec 29 Twp 33N R4 EWM.

ASSESSOR'S TAX / PARCEL NUMBER(S): **P17455** (Xref ID: 330429-2-008-0010)

TEMPORARY EASEMENT

(For riparian restoration work under the Natural Resource Stewardship Program project)

The undersigned, **Alexis Esterly Romero** and **Megan Lil Palmer**, as tenants in common, each with an undivided one-half interest (herein "Grantors" or "Landowners"), for good and valuable consideration, receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, hereby grants to **Skagit County**, a political subdivision of the State of Washington (herein "Grantee" or "County"), a temporary, non-exclusive easement ("Temporary Easement"), as provided herein. Landowners and County may be individually referred to herein as a "party", and may be collectively referred to herein as the "parties." The terms of this Temporary Easement are further provided as follows:

1. Nature and Location of Easement. The Temporary Easement hereby granted by Landowners herein shall be a temporary easement to allow the County, the County's agents, employees, and contractors over, upon, across, through, a portion of real property located within and upon Landowners' Property, such Temporary Easement as legally described on *Exhibit "A"* and as further described and depicted on *Exhibit "B"*, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, for the purpose of providing a temporary easement (and any related appurtenances thereto), including the right of ingress and egress with all necessary equipment for construction of the riparian restoration work, including the installation of woody debris, under the Skagit County Natural Resource Stewardship Program (NRSP) as described in *Exhibit "C"*, attached hereto and incorporated by reference (herein referred to as the "Project"). A legal description for the Landowners' Property is attached hereto as *Exhibit "D"*, and is hereby incorporated by reference.

1.1 The County, through its Department of Public Works (Natural Resources Division), will perform the Project as described in *Exhibit "C"* under its Natural Resources Stewardship Program (NRSP) for the improvement and enhancement of water quality and fish habitat in Skagit County streams.

1.2 Landowners represent and warrant to the County that the Landowners are the legal owner(s) of the property described in Exhibit "D" (the "Landowners' Property"), and further represent and warrant to the County that there are no outstanding rights which interfere with this Temporary Easement agreement. The Landowners also acknowledge that a change in property ownership will not change the encumbrance of the Landowners' Property created by the terms of this Temporary Easement, and the Landowners agrees to inform any future owner of Landowners' Property of this Temporary Easement prior to sale or transfer of the Landowners' Property during the term of this Temporary Easement (as the terms of this Temporary Easement shall be binding on any subsequent owner[s] of the Landowners' Property for the duration of this Temporary Easement). The Landowners agree to notify the County, within thirty (30) days of transfer, of changes in ownership during the term of this Temporary Easement.

1.3 Landowners agrees to inform the County (and the County's agents, employees, and contractors) of all known safety hazards on Landowners' Property prior to the commencement of the activities described in Exhibit "C".

1.4 Landowners recognize and agree that County's agents may include, but are not limited to: Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group and the Washington State Department of Ecology (only for the purposes of viewing, confirming project progress, and continued vegetation preservation during the term of this Temporary Easement).

1.5 Except as provided to the contrary by the terms of this Temporary Easement, the Landowners retain the right to control trespass on Landowners' Property, and Landowners shall retain all responsibility for taxes, assessments, and for any claims for damages to Landowners' Property.

1.6 Landowners recognize and agree that participation in the County's Natural Resource Stewardship Program does not eliminate or abrogate any jurisdictional authority, code requirements, or obligations required by any government entity including Skagit County.

2. Use of Easement. The County, County's employees, agents, and contractors shall have the right, with one (1) week notice, (or with such other notice as may be otherwise mutually agreed in writing by and between the parties), and during daytime hours, Monday through Saturday (unless otherwise arranged between the parties), to enter upon the Landowners' Property within the area of the Temporary Easement (as described and depicted in Exhibit "A"), for the purpose of constructing and implementing the Project (described at Exhibit "C") within the area of the Temporary Easement. Landowners shall not have the right to exclude the County, County's employees, agents, and/or contractors from the area of the Temporary Easement.

2.1 **Project Components.** This temporary easement includes the following components, as described in Exhibit "C": (1) initial site work, (2) monitoring and maintenance, and (3) project preservation.

2.1.1 **Initial Site Work.** The initial site work includes site preparation, riparian planting, and the installation of large woody debris for the purposes of bank stabilization as described in Exhibit "C". Initial site work will be conducted within one (1) year of mutual execution of this agreement.

2.1.2 **Monitoring and Maintenance.** A Restoration and Maintenance Plan (Plan) has been developed for the Project and is included as Exhibit "C". In accordance with the Plan, Skagit County shall provide maintenance of vegetation for three (3) years after planting. The Landowners shall be responsible for plant preservation, not to include active maintenance, following this three (3) year period.

2.1.3 **Project Preservation.** Landowners agree to preserve the Project in the same condition as exists at the time of Project completion and agrees to refrain from cutting, damaging, or otherwise harming any of the vegetation planted as part of the Project or in any way intentionally compromising the integrity of the Project for a period of ten (10) years from the date of mutual execution of this Temporary Easement agreement. Except as provided in Section



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2.1.2, the Landowners shall be responsible for all riparian restoration preservation required as part of the Project. Landowners may be required to reimburse the County for Project costs funded by the County in the event that the Landowners do not preserve the Project in accordance with the terms of this Temporary Easement.

2.2 The Landowners acknowledge that Landowners are voluntarily participating in the County's NRSP for riparian restoration (as described in Exhibit "C") that is the subject of this Temporary Easement and is permitting the Landowners' Property to be used for such purposes pursuant to the terms of this Temporary Easement. The Landowners agree that the Project, when completed, will not now or in the future result in damages to the Landowners' Property, and that the County is not liable for any impacts to Landowners' Property resulting from the Project. The terms of this Section 2.2 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Temporary Easement.

2.3 The County agrees to be responsible for any damage arising from negligent acts of its employees, agents, or representatives on Landowners' Property in exercise of County's rights herein granted by this Temporary Easement. The County assumes no liability for any alleged damage to Landowners' Property resulting from this Temporary Easement, or from any source other than as may be expressly set forth herein.

3. Termination of Temporary Easement. The Project shall be considered complete following the completion of the activities described in Exhibit "C", including project maintenance activities. This Temporary Easement shall otherwise expire by its own terms ten (10) years from the date of mutual execution.

4. Governing Law; Venue. This Temporary Easement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Washington. It is agreed by the parties that the venue for any legal action brought under or relating to the terms of this Temporary Easement shall be in Skagit County, State of Washington.

5. Entire Agreement. This Temporary Easement contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto and incorporates and supersedes all prior negotiations or agreements. This Temporary Easement may not be modified or supplemented in any manner or form whatsoever, either by course of dealing or by parol or written evidence of prior agreements and negotiations, except upon the subsequent written agreement of the parties. Waiver or breach of any term or condition of this Temporary Easement shall not be considered a waiver of any prior or subsequent breach.



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DATED this 1/3 day of 2015, 2014.

GRANTOR:

[Signature]
Alexis Esterly Romero

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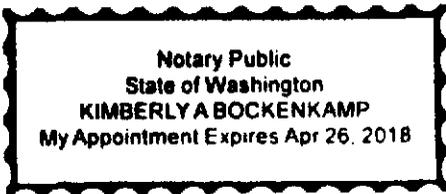
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COUNTY OF SKAGIT

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that **Alexis Esterly Romero**, a married person, as her sole and separate property, is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that she signed this instrument, on oath stated that she executed the forgoing instrument as her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes herein mentioned.

DATED this 3 day of January, 2014¹⁵

(SEAL)



[Signature]
Notary Public
Print name: Kimberly A. Bockenkamp
Residing at: Skagit County
My commission expires: April 26, 2018



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DATED this 3rd day of January, ~~2014~~ ²⁰¹⁵

GRANTOR:

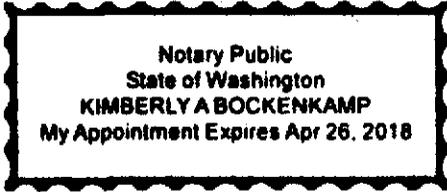
Megan Lil Palmer
Megan Lil Palmer

STATE OF WASHINGTON }
COUNTY OF SKAGIT } ss.

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that **Megan Lil Palmer**, a single person, as her sole and separate property, is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that she signed this instrument, on oath stated that she executed the forgoing instrument as her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes herein mentioned.

DATED this 3 day of January, ~~2014~~ ¹⁵

(SEAL)



Kimberly A Bockenkamp
Notary Public
Print name: Kimberly A Bockenkamp
Residing at: Skagit County, WA
My commission expires: April 26, 2018

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GRANTEE:
DATED this 9 day of February, 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt
Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chair

Lisa Janicki
Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

Ron Wesen
Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Attest:

Dinda Hanena
Clerk of the Board

For contracts under \$5,000:
Authorization per Resolution R20030146

Recommended: [Signature]
Department Head

County Administrator

Approved as to form: [Signature] 2/12/15
Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Approved as to indemnification:
[Signature]
Risk Manager

Approved as to budget:
[Signature]
Budget & Finance Director



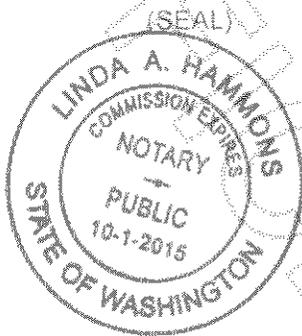
STATE OF WASHINGTON

COUNTY OF SKAGIT

} ss.

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Lisa Janicki, and Ron Wesen is/are the person(s) who appeared before me, and said person(s) acknowledged that she/he/they signed this instrument, on oath stated that she/he/they was/were authorized execute the instrument and acknowledged it as Commissioner(s) of Skagit County, to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes herein mentioned.

DATED this 9 day of February, 2015.



Linda Hammons
Notary Public
Print name: Linda Hammons
Residing at: Skagit County
My commission expires: 10-1-2015



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EXHIBIT "A"

TEMPORARY EASEMENT LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THE TEMPORARY EASEMENT COMMENCES AT THE INTERSECTION OF WEST MARGIN OF FRANKLIN ROAD AND THE NORTH LINE OF SW QUARTER OF SECTION 29-33-4; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, ALL LAND LYING SOUTH OF LITTLE FISHER CREEK AS EXISTED ON OCTOBER 31, 2014 AND NORTH OF SAID LINE UNTIL THE INTERSECTION WITH THE EASTERN PROPERTY LINE P17434.

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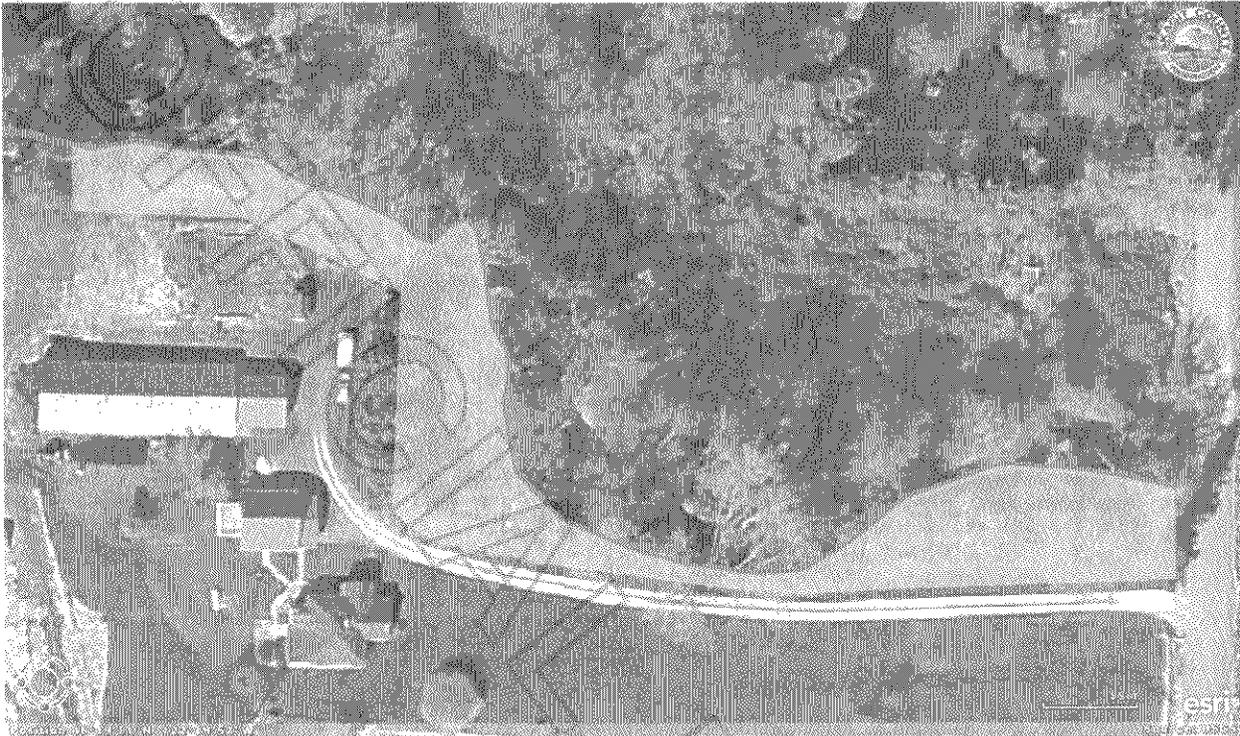
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EXHIBIT "B"

GRAPHIC DEPICTION OF TEMPORARY EASEMENT AREA



This temporary easement includes the above-depicted shaded area required for removal of non-native plants and installation of riparian vegetation and large woody debris. This shaded area is part of a larger project with the property owners to the south (P17433 and P17467), and includes the project work area on the Landowners' Property.

Parcel Number: P17455
Address: 22488 Franklin Road
Mount Vernon, WA 98274
Situate in the County of Skagit, State of Washington



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EXHIBIT "C"

**RIPARIAN RESTORATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN
SCOPE OF WORK**

This project is designed to eradicate invasive plant species and revegetate an area along Fisher Creek off of Franklin road, which is south of the town of Conway. Fisher Creek flows into a large (restored) wetland area that is connected to the south fork of the Skagit River. The project includes portions of two separate parcels. The following work description encompasses both properties.

Riparian areas adjacent to the small stream are currently dominated by a dense thicket of Himalayan Blackberry. In some areas there is a sparse overstory of native red alders and other deciduous trees. There are knotweed and morning glory invasions on the west side (downstream portion) of the restoration area. Site preparation will consist of cutting the blackberries, letting them grow for approximately 6-8 weeks to about shin-height, then spraying them with herbicide. Reed canary grass will also be mowed and sprayed where needed to avoid choking out of planted native species.

The planting area will consist of approximately 0.6 acres located on the south side of Fisher Creek west of Franklin road. The area includes a sparse canopy of mature, mostly deciduous trees. Approximately 350 plants will be installed with 8 foot spacing. At least 30% of plants installed will be conifers. The corner of the planting area closest to the landowner's house will be planted with mostly berry and flower-producing species. Plant protectors (miracle tubes) will be installed on all plants to protect from rodent and maintenance damage. The area of stream reconstruction will be planted in fall of 2015.

Invasive control to prepare the site for planting will occur in early 2015 (blackberry, knotweed, and morning glory spraying) and again in September/October (spraying) of 2015. Potted plants will be installed in late fall of 2015. Maintenance will occur annually for three years in the summer and fall, consisting of weed-whacking around plants as needed and treating with herbicide any invasive species that remain or colonize the area. SFEG will conduct maintenance of the planting area. Landowners will be notified at least one week prior to any work at the site.



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EXHIBIT "D"
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF LANDOWNER'S PROPERTY

That portion of the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 29, Township 33 North, Range 4 East, W.M., described as follows:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼; thence Westerly along the South line of said Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼; a distance of 410 feet; thence North 145 feet to the Southeast corner of a tract of land conveyed to Dike District No. 16, by deed dated December 8, 1933, recorded December 19, 1933 in Volume 163 of Deeds, page 452; thence following in a Northwesterly direction along the East line of said tract deeded to Dike District No. 16 to the intersection of said tract with the South line of the English Lumber Co. right-of-way, as established by document recorded August 7, 1902 in Volume 47 of Deeds, page 423, records of Skagit County, Washington; thence Easterly along the South line of said right-of-way to the East line of said Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼; thence South to the place of beginning, EXCEPT County road; AND EXCEPT that portion of said premises, if any, lying within those premises conveyed by Agnes W. Nelson, et vir, to Elizabeth McLean by deed dated December 13, 1913, filed December 26, 1913 under Auditor's File No 99979, and recorded in Volume 95 of Deeds, page 560, records of Skagit County, Washington.

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