

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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- a. **Special Use Application PL20-0031.** Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group (SFEG), in partnership with landowner Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), filed a Special Use Permit application (#PL20-0031) to restore hydrologic connectivity of an approximate six acre seasonal pond in the WDFW's Skagit Forks Management Unit. Wetland/pond connectivity will be restored by re-routing outflows from Britt Slough back into the ponded wetland and by improving the outlet channel to result in more frequent backwatering from the Skagit River. The existing, man-made Britt Slough outlet will be partially filled and restored as depressional wetland habitat. Areas along the restored channel and on spoils areas will be replanted with native trees and shrubs. The project will also involve invasive weed control throughout the property. The proposed project is located within the Agricultural – Natural Resource Lands (AG-NRL) zoning/comprehensive plan designated area as indicated in the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan and associated maps adopted July 5, 2016 and as thereafter amended. The project site is located riverward of a dike operated by Dike District 3 that is west of Dike Road between Britt Road and Hickox Road south of Mount Vernon, within a portion of Section 36, Township 34N, Range 3E W.M., situated within Skagit County, Washington (P128015 & P23220). Staff Contact: Allison Sanders, Associate Planner.

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Comments must be received by Planning and Development Services **no later than 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 11, 2020 or be presented at the public hearing.** E-mail comments may be submitted with the PDS website under the current legal notices tab or to the Office of the Hearing Examiner. TO BE PUBLISHED ONE TIME ONLY IN THE July 23, 2020 Edition. Transmitted to the Skagit Valley Herald Tuesday July 21, 2020.