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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Skagit County Hearing Examiner will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, February 8, 2006** in the Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, Washington, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. or soon thereafter, for the purpose of determining whether the Hearing Examiner should approve, modify and approve, or deny the following requests:

A. Special Use permit application (PL05-0571) by Greg and Traci Gilbertson to mine gravel on a 40 acre site. The mining activity would affect 35 acres, with the remaining 5 acres included within the 100-foot site perimeter buffer. There is an estimated 4.2 million tons of export material within the boundaries of the site, which will provide for a pit life of approximately 30 years, dependent upon market demand. Site development would occur in two primary phases, with the second development phase divided into four mining phases with concurrent segmental reclamation. The application was determined to be complete on August 23, 2005.

The proposed project is located within the Rural Resource-Natural Resource Lands (RRc-NRL) Zoning area and has a designated Mineral Resource Overlay. The project is located at Mile Post 42.6, State Route 9, Mount Vernon, Washington, within a portion of Section 17 and 18, Township 33 N, Range 05 SE, W.M., Skagit County, Washington. The site is accessed via State Route 9 approximately 1.5 miles south of Big Lake. The parcel numbers associated with this proposal are P18117 and P18148. Contact: Brent Morrow

B. Special Use Permit PL05-0173 submitted by Wireless Facilities Inc on behalf of New Cingular Wireless for the construction of an unmanned wireless telecommunication facility on an approximate 60 foot replacement PSE utility pole with two flush mount antennas. This pole will be replacing a 33 ft wood PSE utility pole. The utility pole is located within the right of way of Mountain View Road northeast of the hairpin turn. The equipment cabinets will be located below the pole and immediately adjacent to the abandoned gravel pit. The proposed project is located adjacent to 16901 Mountain View Road, Mount Vernon, WA; within a portion of the NW ¼ of Section 36, Township 34 North, Range 04 East, W.M., Skagit County, Wa. P29840 Staff Contact: Marge Swint

Further information is available at Skagit County Planning & Development Services, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA. (360) 336-9410.

Your views for or against the request are invited either by attendance, representation or letter. Comments and/or facsimiles must be received by this office no later than 4:30 p.m. **Tuesday, February 7, 2006** or be presented at the public hearing.

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cc: Skagit Valley Herald, Permit Techs, OG, MS, BM, BB, DD, DC, JTC, CR, LF