NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Skagit County Hearing Examiner will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, October 12, 2011** 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, uphold or deny the following:

A. Pre-hearing Conference for Appeal **PL11-0292** of Columbia Bank.

Staff contact: Bill Dowe

B. Shoreline Variance Application (PL11-0180) submitted by Mr. Jeffery Foushee. Mr. Foushee filed an application for a Shoreline Variance (PL11-0180) to increase the size of an existing residence that is non-conforming to the shoreline setback criteria of Skagit County's Shoreline Management Master Program. The applicant proposes to improve the existing non-conforming residence on the subject site by increasing the floor elevation to prevent flood damage, increase the ceiling height of the structure from 7 feet to a maximum of 13 feet and add an additional 427 square feet living space to the structure. A shoreline variance is required to increase the ceiling height of the structure from 7 to 13 feet. The proposed project is located within the Rural Intermediate (RI) zoning/comprehensive plan designated area. The subject site is located at 4205 Edens Road, Guemes Island, within a portion of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 2, Township 35 North, Range 1 East, Skagit County, WA (Parcel *P65137*). Staff Contact: John Cooper, Senior Planner

Your views for or against the requests 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, October 11, 2011** or be presented at the public hearing. Email correspondence will not be accepted however comments may be submitted with the PDS website under the current legal notices tab.

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