BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

Applicant: Mary Lu Conley

Address: 20879 West Bulson Road

Mount Vernon, WA 98274

File No: C/U Open F&A Conservation Land App #03-2017

Request: To transfer 4.00 acres from Current Use Farm and

Agricultural Land to Current Use Open Space Farm and

Agricultural Conservation Land.

Location: Portion of SW1/4SE1/4 Sec. 33, T33N, R4E, W.M. (For

complete description see Staff Report)

Assessor's No: Portion of P17741

Public Hearing; After reviewing the report of the Assessor's Office, the Hearing

Examiner conducted a public hearing on April 12, 2016.

Recommendation: Approval

FINDINGS

- 1. Mary Lu Conley requests the transfer of property from Farm and Agricultural Land to Open Space Farm and Agricultural Conservation Land.
- 2. The property is located east of I-5 and north of West Bulson Road within a portion of SW1/4SE1/4 Sec. 33, T33N, R4E, W.M.
 - 3. The requested transfer involves 4.0 acres.
- 4. The property is traditional farmland that does not meet the requirement for gross commercial agricultural income. Previously farmed, the land is now fallow. The requested status will preserve the option to farm this property in the future.
- 5. The hearing was held after due notice. There was no public testimony and there were no written comments.
 - 6. The Examiner admitted the Exhibits submitted by Staff.
 - 7. The Examiner finds that the property meets the definition of the classification sought.
 - 8. The Staff recommends approval. The Examiner concurs with Staff.

RECOMMENDATION

The Examiner recommends approval of the application.

Wick Dufford, Hearing Examiner

Date: May 3, 2017

Copies transmitted to Applicant, Assessor, County Commissioners: May 3, 2017