## BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

## FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

Applicant: Nancy Monahan, Thomas Monahan, Mary Monahan, Robert

Leech, and Veronica Leech

Address: 6171 South Shore Road

Anacortes, WA 98221

File No: CU Open Space Land App#25-2017

Request: To transfer 4.31 acres from Current Use Farm and Agriculture to

Current Use Open Space Land

**Location:** Portion of Lot 4, Short Plat #93-43, located in W1/2 of East 990

feet of Government Lot 4 except Lots 1-3 of said short plat and also except that portion of Lot 4 lying east of the east line of Lot 3 of Short Plat #93-43, located in SE1/4NW1/4 Sec. 7, T35N, R2E,

W.M, except the south 3 acres thereof.

**Assessor's No:** Portions of 32761

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

Examiner conducted a public hearing on November 15, 2017.

**Recommendation/Date:** Approval. December 11, 2017.

## **FINDINGS**

- 1. Nancy Monahan, Thomas Monahan, Mary Monahan, Robert Leech and Veronica Leech seek to transfer 4.31 acres from Current Use Farm and Agriculture to Current Use Open Space Land.
- 2. The property is a portion of Lot 4 of Short Plat #93-43. The complete description is set on the previous page. The Assessor's Account Number is: Portions of P32761.
- 3. The new classification would protect streams, stream corridors, wetlands, natural shorelines or aquifers, and protect soil resources, unique or critical wildlife, or native plant habitat.
- 4. The hearing was held after due notice. There was no public testimony and there were no written comments.
  - 5. The Examiner admitted the exhibits submitted by Staff.
  - 6. The Examiner finds that the property meets the definition of the classification sought.
  - 7. The Staff recommends approval. The Examiner concurs with Staff.

## RECOMMENDATION

The Examiner recommends approval of the application.

Wick Dufford, Hearing Examiner

Date: December 11, 2017

Copies transmitted to Applicant, Assessor, and County Commissioners: December 11, 2017