

BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER
FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

Applicant: Donald and Diane Feeney

Address: 6650 Ershig Road
Bow, WA 98232

File No: C/U O/S F&A Conservation App#04-2016

Request: To transfer 8.72 acres from Farm and Agriculture Land to Open Space Farm and Agricultural Conservation.

Location: Portion of N1/2S1/2NE1/4SE1/4 Sec. 2, T35N, R3E, W.M.

Assessor's No: Ptn of P33698

Public Hearing: After reviewing the report of the Assessor's Office, the Hearing Examiner conducted a public hearing on March 25, 2016.

Recommendation: Approval

FINDINGS

1. Donald and Diane Feeney seek to transfer property from Farm and Agriculture Land to Open Space Farm and Agricultural Conservation.
2. The property is located on Ershig Road within a portion of N1/2S1/2NE1/4SE1/4 Sec. 2, T35N, R3E, W.M. One acre is excepted for homesite.
3. The request is transfer 8.72 acres. The property is traditional farmland that at present does not meet the requirement for gross commercial agricultural income. It is being hayed at this time.
4. The parcel has not been irrevocably devoted to a use inconsistent with agricultural uses and has a high potential for returning to commercial agriculture.
5. The hearing was held after due notice. here was no public testimony and there were no written comments.
6. The Hearing Examiner admitted the exhibits submitted by Staff.
7. The Hearing Examiner finds that the property meets the definition of the classification sought.
8. The Staff recommends approval. The Hearing Examiner concurs with Staff.

RECOMMENDATION

The Examiner recommends approval of the application.



Wick Dufford, Hearing Examiner

Date: June ____, 2016

Copies transmitted to Applicant, Assessor's Office and County Commissioners: June ____, 2016

Attachment: Staff Report and Exhibits