



### General Location

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Rural Reserve (RRv), Agriculture-NRL (Ag-NRL) to Mount Vernon UGA

Request Number

CPA05-85

### Summary:

Redesignate multiple parcels from Rural Reserve (RRv) and Agriculture (Ag-NRL), adjacent to the existing UGA, in the area north of Memorial Highway and south of the Skagit River to Mount Vernon UGA

### Recommendation:

Recommend denial. GMA and County Comprehensive Plan establish strict limitations on conversion of Ag-NRL land to other uses. UGA expansions also require rigorous documentation of need for additional urban land (see *Futurewise v. Skagit County*, WWGMHB Case No. 05-2-0012, September 21, 2005). Certain proposals to alter UGA boundaries may be reconsidered in 2006, following provision of more detailed city/town land capacity analysis, establishment of more detailed criteria for UGA amendment proposals, and completion of County agricultural industry and lands assessment.

