

**BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER**

**FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION**

**Applicants:** Thomas and Judy Andre

**Address:** P. O. Box 626  
Clear Lake, WA 98235

**File No:** C/UTMB #7-2005

**Request:** To include approximately 5.93 acres in the Current Use Timber Program.

**Location:** Northeast of Old Day Creek Road and Clear Lake, within a portion of Lot 2, Short Plat #5/75 in Sec. 6, T34N, R5E, WM.

**Assessor's Account No:** P30093 (portion)

**Public Hearing:** After reviewing the report of the Assessor's Office, the Hearing Examiner conducted a public hearing on October 20, 2005.

**Recommendation:** Approval

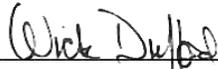
## **FINDINGS**

1. Thomas and Judy Andre have filed an application for inclusion of approximately 5.93 acres in the Current Use Timber Program. They are the owners of the property.
2. The property is located northeast of Old Day Creek Road and Clear Lake, within a portion of Lot 2 Short Plat #5/75 in Sec. 6, T34N, R5E, W.M.
3. The applicants have submitted a Timber Management Plan prepared by a professional. The site appears to have been logged during the late 1960's to mid 1970's. The owners intend maintain a healthy but mature forest by using long-period selective or small-area harvest to remove mature tress from the site followed by manual replanting.
4. The Staff Report and Exhibits submitted by the Assessor's Office are attached hereto and incorporated herein.
5. The hearing was held after due notice. There was no public testimony. There were no written comments.
6. The Examiner finds that the property meets the definition of the classification sought. See RCW 84.34.020.
7. The Staff recommends, and the Examiner concurs with, the following condition:

At the time of harvesting, the applicant shall comply with all the requirements of the Department of Natural Resources in regard to harvesting of timber.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Examiner recommends approval of the application, subject to the condition set forth in Finding 7 above.

  
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Wick Dufford, Hearing Examiner

Date: January 17, 2006

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