

**BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER**

**FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION**

**Applicant:** Johnny and Nancy Dills

**Address:** 22405 Bridgewater Road  
Sedro Wooley, WA 98284

**File No:** CU OS F&A Conservation Land #12-2018

**Request:** To transfer a 16.99 acres from Farm and Agriculture to  
Current Use Open Space Farm and Agricultural Conservation

**Location:** W1/2SE1/4NW1/4 Sec. 2, T35N, R4E, W.M.

**Assessor's Nos:** Portion of P35644

**Public Hearing:** After reviewing the report of the Assessor's Office, the Hearing  
Examiner conducted a public hearing on October 17 2018.

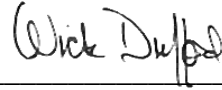
**Recommendation:** Approval

## **FINDINGS**

1. Johnny and Nancy Dills request the transfer of property from Farm and Agriculture to Current Use Open Space Farm and Agricultural Conservation. The applicants are the owners of the property.
2. The property is located within W1/2/SE1/4, NW1/4 Sec 2, T35N, R4E, WM, a portion of Parcel #P35644.
3. The property is traditional farmland but does not now meet the requirement for gross commercial agricultural income. The request is to place 16.99 acres in conservation status, preserving the option to return the land to active farming at some future time.
4. The property has previously been used for grazing land.
5. The property has not irrevocably been devoted to a use inconsistent with agricultural use and has a high potential for returning to commercial agriculture.
6. The hearing was held after due notice. There was no public testimony and there were no written comments.
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.



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Wick Dufford, Hearing Examiner

Date: November 2, 2018

Copies transmitted to Applicant, Assessor's Office and County Commissioners:  
November 2, 2018

Attachment: Staff Report and Exhibits