BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

Applicant: Dennis and Juanita Pittman

Address: 22524 Bulson Road

Mount Vernon, WA 98274

File No: CU Open Space Land App#16-2017

Request: To transfer 3,4 acres from Current Use Farm and Agriculture to

Current Use Open Space Land

Location: Tract 1: 1.2 acres and Tract 2: 2.2 acres, fully described in the

Staff Report.

Assessor's No: Portion of P17422

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

Examiner conducted a public hearing on August 9, 2017.

Recommendation/Date: Approval -09/01/2017

FINDINGS

- 1. Dennis and Juanita Pittman seek to transfer 3.40 acres from Current Use Farm and Agriculture to Current Use Open Space Land.
- 2. The property is a portion of P17422, lying south of Bulson Road. It is fully described in the Staff Report.
- 3. The property does not meet the income requirements for the Farm and Agriculture classification.
- 4. The new classification would protect streams and stream corridors and enhance recreational opportunities.
- 5. The hearing was held after due notice. There was no public testimony and there were no written comments.
 - 6. The Examiner admitted the exhibits submitted by Staff.
 - 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.

Wick Dufford, Hearing Examiner

Date: September 1, 2017

Copies transmitted to Applicant, Assessor and County Commissioners: September 1, 2017