

BEFORE THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

Applicant: John Montoya

Address: 22434 State Route 534
Mount Vernon, WA 98274

File No: CU Open Space Land App#20-2017

Request: To transfer 6.72 acres from Current Use Farm and Agriculture to the Current Use Open Space Land program

Location: Portion of Assessor's No. P17171, fully described in Staff Report

Public Hearing: After reviewing the report of the Assessor's Office, the Hearing Examiner conducted a public hearing on August 9, 2017.

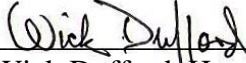
Recommendation/Date: Approval – 09/01/2017

FINDINGS

1. John Montoya seeks to transfer 6.72 acres from Current Use Farm and Agriculture to Current Use Open Space Land program.
2. The property lies south of SR 534 and is a portion of Assessor's Account Number: P17171. The legal description is fully set forth in the Staff Report.
3. The property does not meet the income requirements for the Farm and Agriculture classification.
4. The Open Space classification would be to protect streams, stream corridors and wetlands.
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