LR22-01 Bertelsen Farms Comprehensive Plan & Zoning Map Amendment Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) and Incorporation by Reference of Existing Environmental Documentation

Description of Proposal: Skagit County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Map amendment. This proposal will rezone approximately 69 acres of Rural Reserve designation to Small Scale Recreation and Tourism. Bertelsen Farms is interested in expanding the existing winery facility and developing a campground, dog park, brewery, and growing hops and bees.

Proponent: Richard Bertelsen, Bertelsen Farms LLC

Location of Proposal: 20598 Starbird Road, Mount Vernon, WA 98274

Lead Agency: Skagit County Planning & Development Services.

Threshold Determination: Skagit County has determined that this non-project proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of completed environmental checklists and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request and at www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningAndPermit/communplan.htm

This determination of non-significance is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); Skagit County will not act on this proposal for at least 14 days from the date of this notice. **Written comments on this threshold determination must be submitted by 4:30 pm, November 10, 2022.**

Appeals process: Pursuant to SCC 16.12.210, no administrative appeal process is available for this DNS on this legislative action. Appeals may be filed with the Western Washington Growth Management Hearings Board, following final Board of County Commissioner action on the proposal, based on written comments submitted on the DNS by the deadline noted above.

Comments: Comments are accepted digitally or on paper, please include (1) your full name, (2) your mailing address, and (3) the proposal name in the subject line. Email comments are preferred and must be sent to pds.comments@co.skagit.wa.us. Include your comments in the body of your email message rather than as attachments. Please direct any comments concerning this threshold determination to:

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SEPA Responsible Official: Hal Hart, AICP, Director/Administrative Official, Skagit County Planning & Development Services

Signature

Hal Hart, Director/Administrative Official Skagit County Planning & Development Services

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