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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners
Philip Morley, County Administrator

FROM: Tami Pokorny, Environmental Specialist II

DATE: **February 3, 2014**

SUBJECT: Letter to Approve Farm Stand at Glendale Farm

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

Staff requests BoCC signature on a letter to Linda Sexton, owner of Glendale Farm, providing consent to construct and operate a farm stand there.

ANALYSIS/STRATEGIC GOALS/PRO'S and CON'S:

Jefferson County is Grantee to an agricultural conservation easement (AFN 543473) on Glendale Farm in Chimacum. The owner of the farm, Linda Sexton, has requested to erect an 8' x 12' farm stand on the property. Paragraph V.B.(1.) of the easement identifies the marketing of produce at roadside stands as an allowed Agricultural Activity, and Section VI.E.1.(b) identifies improvements outside the building envelope reasonably necessary for Agricultural Activities as an allowed use. However, Section VII.B of the easement requires that the County provide consent to this activity in order for it to proceed.

The Department of Community Development has determined that no wetland or wetland buffer is present at the proposed location, which is indicated by a star on the map attached to the letter. Consequently, construction and operation of a farm stand on Glendale Farm meets the requirements of county code and would not violate the recorded Agricultural Conservation Easement so long as the farm stand is located at least 30 feet from the Center Road easement and all applicable food handling permits are in place.

FISCAL IMPACT/COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS:

There is no impact to the General Fund for signing this letter.

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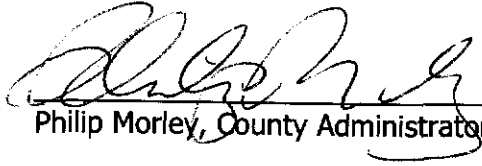
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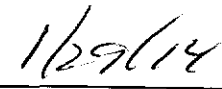
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RECOMMENDATION:

JCPH Management recommends the BoCC approve the letter to allow the construction and operation of a farm stand on Glendale Farm.

REVIEWED BY:


Philip Morley, County Administrator


Date



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Phil Johnson, District 1 David W. Sullivan, District 2 John Austin, District 3

February 3, 2014

Ms. Linda Sexton
Glendale Farm
431 Center Road
Chimacum, WA 98325

RE: Request for Consent to Erect Farm Stand

Dear Ms. Sexton:

We acknowledge your request to build an 8' x 12' farm stand on Glendale Farm at 431 Center Road in Chimacum. Consent from Jefferson County is required for this project by the terms of the applicable Agricultural Conservation Easement (AFN 543473). Paragraph V.B.(1.) of the easement identifies the marketing of produce at roadside stands as an allowed Agricultural Activity, and Section VI.E.1.(b) identifies improvements outside the building envelope reasonably necessary for Agricultural Activities as an allowed use. The construction and operation of a farm stand on Glendale Farm would not violate the recorded Agricultural Conservation Easement.

As no wetland or wetland buffer is present at the proposed farm stand location, Jefferson County consents to the construction of the 8' x 12' farm stand at this location (indicated by a star on the map) under the following conditions: 1). The farm stand must be located not less than 30 feet from the Center Road easement, and 2). Only minimally cut, non-hazardous produce may be sold. No meats, cheeses, or other animal-sourced or value-added foods may be sold without all appropriate permits in place.

We wish you the best of luck with your project.

Sincerely,

John Austin
Chair, Jefferson County Board of Commissioners

Enclosure

Cc:
Erik Kingfisher, Stacie Hoskins, Jean Baldwin, Jared Keefer, Tami Pokorny, Randy Marx,
Kammie Bunes

LINDA SEXTON PROPERTY – PROPOSED FARM STAND



- ☆ = star shows location of proposed farm stand and plot location. This location is 42 feet east of the barbed wire fence along Center Road and is 57 feet north of the access road to the parcel. There are no wetland or wetland buffers at this location. If the farm stand is constructed at this location, no wetland report is needed. The farm stand must be located at least 30 feet from the Center Road easement.