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RESOLUTION NO. 151-99 FEE SCHEDULE TIMBER AND CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Open Space Taxation Act, enacted in 1970, allows property owners to have their open space, farm and agricultural, and timberlands valued at their current use rather than their highest and best use;

WHEREAS, a landowner or contract purchaser may apply for current use assessment under the Open Space Taxation Act;

WHEREAS, RCW 84.34.030 states that "...the application shall be accompanied by a reasonable processing fee if such processing fee is established by the city or county legislative authority...";

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Tuesday, December 28, 1999 to consider updating the fee schedule;

WHEREAS, the Mason County Assessor recommended a fee be charged for each application which includes the Current Use Assessment Program of Farm & Agricultural Land, Open Space Land, Timberland and Designated Forest Land and to also charge a \$25 removal fee for estimating the compensating tax due when the sole purpose is for the land owners personal use;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby resolved by the Mason County Board of Commissioners to, adopt the fee schedule as recommended by the Mason County Assessor and charge a \$90 fee for each application for Current Use Assessment Program of Farm & Agricultural Land, Open Space Land, Timberland and Designated Forest Land;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED TO, charge a \$25 removal fee for estimating the compensating tax due when the sole purpose is for the land owners personal use. No fee will be charged for signed "Requests to Remove" from Current Use or Classified/Designated Timber Programs.

DATED this 28th day of December, 1999.

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	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON
	Cynthia D. Olsen, Chairperson
ATTEST:	John A. Bolender, Commissioner
Rebecca S. Rogers, Clerk of the Board	<u> </u>
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	Mary Jo Cady, Commissioner
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Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Michael Clift	Was not o (aview)
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