



FRANKLIN COUNTY

PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

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FRANKLIN COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Franklin County Commissioners are seeking public input in favor or opposition to County participation in the State of Washington's Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP), including whether to opt in or opt out of the Program.

The State of Washington recently passed ESHB 1886 (known as Critical Area Protection-Voluntary Stewardship Program) as recommended by the William D. Ruckelshaus Center. The Program offers counties and landowners the option of using a Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP) to protect critical areas on agricultural lands. Franklin County must decide whether to participate in Voluntary Stewardship Program no later than January 22, 2012.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the County Commissioners will be accepting public testimony regarding this issue. Said consideration will be in a public hearing on **December 14, 2011** at the hour of **9:00 a.m.** in **the Franklin County Courthouse, Commissioners Meeting Room, 1016 North 4th Avenue, Pasco, WA 99301** and all concerned may appear and present any support for or objections to the VSP.

Information concerning the VSP can be obtained at the **Franklin County Planning and Building Department, 1016 North 4th Avenue, Pasco, WA 99301**, or by calling 545-3521.

DATED AT PASCO, WASHINGTON ON THIS 27th DAY OF OCTOBER 2011.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jerrod MacPherson".

Jerrod MacPherson, Planning and Building Director