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STATE OF WASHINGTON
APPLICATION TO ENTER A WATER RIGHT INTO THE TRUST WATER RIGHT PROGRAM

NOTE: THIS FORM IS **ONLY** TO BE USED FOR THE ACQUISITION OF WATER INTO THE TRUST WATER RIGHT PROGRAM

(Check all that apply.)
- ☐ Lease
- ☒ Purchase
- ☐ Donation
- ☐ Other

Explain:_____

☐ Portion of the identified existing water right

IF FOR SEASONAL OR TEMPORARY, START DATE ____/____/____
END DATE ____/____/____

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FILE No. C61-22389C WRIA 3

DATE ACCEPTED 10 / 4 / 12 BY PXS

FEE $_____ REC'D ____/____/____

CHECK No. _____

SEPA: ☑ Exempt ☐ Not exempt

*****IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED, ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE CLEARLY)*****

1. Applicant Information:

APPLICANT/BUSINESS NAME	PHONE NO.	FAX NO.
Big Lake Water Association	(360) 424-5783	( )
ADDRESS		
P.O. Box 2248		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
Mount Vernon	WA	98273

CONTACT NAME (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)	PHONE NO.	FAX NO.
Steve Harmon	(360) 840-0078	( )
ADDRESS		
Same as Above		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE

2. Water Right Information:

WATER RIGHT OR CLAIM NUMBER	RECORDED NAME(S)
G1-22389C	Big Lake Water Company

DO YOU OWN THE RIGHT? ☒ YES ☐ NO IF NO, PROVIDE OWNER(S) NAME and ADDRESS:

HAS THE WATER BEEN PUT TO BENEFICIAL USE IN THE LAST FIVE (5) YEARS? ☒ YES ☐ NO
ARE WATER DIVERSIONS/WITHDRAWALS OF THIS WATER RIGHT METERED OR MEASURED? ☐ YES ☒ NO

IMPORTANT! PROVIDE INFORMATION SHOWING THE EXTENT OF WATER USE FOR EACH OF THE LAST FIVE YEARS

Please attach copies of any documentation that demonstrates consistent, historical use of water since the right was established. Also, if you have a water system plan or conservation plan, please include a copy with your application.

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WATER RIGHT NO. C61-22389C FILE (contract) NO._____

E ... to
the Trust Water Right Program

3. How is Water to be Made Available for Trust?

☐ Alteration in method of diversion	☐ Alteration in water use/ irrigated acreage
☐ Alteration in method of delivery/conveyance	☐ Nonuse of one or more points of diversion
☐ Alteration in method of water application	☐ Nonuse of all or a portion of the named water right
☐ Alteration in type of crop	☒ Other, Explain below:
Nookachamps Sub-basin Mitigation Exchange: Instream Flow Augmentation/Aquifer Preservation	
Name of funding source(s): **Department of Ecology/Washington Water Trust (WWT)**	

WATER RIGHT DESCRIPTION *

4. Point(s) of Diversion/Withdrawal:

A. Existing

SOURCE	NO.	¼	¼	SEC.	TWP.	RGE.	PARCEL #	WELL TAG #
Groundwater Well	**4**	**SE**	**SW**	**25**	**34**	**4E**	**P67139**	**AER-336**
Groundwater Well	**5**	**SE**	**SW**	**25**	**34**	**4E**	**P67139**	**AER-338**

Please include copies of all water well reports involved with this proposal. Also, if you know the distances from the nearest section corner to the above point(s) of diversion/withdrawal, please include that information in Item No. 6 (remarks) or as an attachment.

5. Purpose of Use:

A. Existing Use of the Water Right

PURPOSE OF USE	GPM or CFS	ACRE-FT/YR	PERIOD OF USE
Community Domestic/Municipal	**16 gpm**	**26 afy**	**Continuous/Annual**

B. Proposed Purpose of the Trust Water Right:

DESCRIBE THE PURPOSE(S) OF USE DURING THE PERIOD OF TRUST:	
PURPOSE OF USE	ACRE-FEET/YR
To serve as a source for Nookachamps Sub-basin Mitigation Exchange: Instream Flow Augmentation and/or Aquifer Preservation	26.0 afy

6. Place of Use:

A. Existing:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF LANDS WHERE WATER IS PRESENTLY USED:							
Area Served By Big Lake Water Company							
¼	¼	SEC.	TWP.	RGE.	COUNTY	PARCEL #	# OF ACRES
					Skagit		
DO YOU OWN ALL THE LANDS IN THE EXISTING PLACE OF USE? ☐ YES ☒ NO – IF NO, PROVIDE OWNER(S) NAME:							
Big Lake Water Association (Company) is a municipal water supply system. Property owners within the water right place of use/service area are members of the BLWA. (Attachment 1).							

* If additional space is needed, please continue on the form: Attachment for Application to Enter a Water Right into the Trust Water Right Program.

6. Place of Use (continued)

B. Proposed:

IDENTIFY THE WATER BODY TO BE BENEFITED OR OTHER PLACE TO BE BENEFITED
Nookachamps River/Sub-Basin and related aquifer system(s).

7. Remarks and Other Relevant Information:

The BLWA, Ecology, and Washington Water Trust (WWT) are currently engaged in negotiations regarding the purchase of three BLWA municipal water rights to serve as potential sources for a Nookachamps Sub-Basin Mitigation Exchange Program. This change application has been filed to facilitate the related (WWT) water right investigation and potential water right purchase/transfer process.

Certain applications may incur a Real Estate Excise Tax liability for the seller of the water rights. The Department of Revenue has requested notification of potential taxable water right related actions and therefore may be provided with a copy of this request.

Please contact the State Department of Revenue for further information. The phone number is (360) 570-3265. The address is: Department of Revenue, Real Estate Excise Tax, PO Box 47477, Olympia, WA 98504-7477.

8. Signatures:

I certify that the information above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby grant staff from the Department of Ecology access to the above site(s) for inspection and monitoring purposes. If assisted in the preparation of the above application, I understand that all responsibility for the accuracy of the information rests with me.

Steve Johnson, Pres. 10/02/12
(Applicant) *(Date)*

_____ ___/___/___
(Water Right Holder) *(Date)*

_____ ___/___/___
(Land Owner(s) of Existing Place of Use) *(Date)*

IMPORTANT! APPLICATION FILING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED ON THE NEXT PAGE.

WE ARE RETURNING YOUR APPLICATION FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON(S):

❑ ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES REQUIRED ❑ SECTION _____ IS INCOMPLETE

❑ OTHER/EXPLANATION:_____

STAFF: _____ ***DATE:*** ___/___/___