

NOTICE OF UNDERSTANDING

REGARDING THE USE OF SURFACE WATER AS A DRINKING WATER SOURCE

TAX PARCEL # _____

LEGAL DESCRIPTION (abbreviated)

For full legal description, see ATTACHMENT "A".

I / We, the undersigned owners of the property described, understand that the water to this property is from a surface water source. The residential water supply is to be treated by a device certified by a licensed professional engineer to provide adequate removal of bacteria. I acknowledge by my signature below that, I have read and understand the following notice from the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services Department, Environmental Health Division:

While the treatment unit, in theory, may provide drinking water, which meets the minimum quality standards for bacteria, it may not protect against chemical contamination. Additionally, routine maintenance is essential for the provision of safe drinking water. It is recognized by state and local health departments that the maintenance of home treatment systems is generally inadequate, and generally, there is a lack of source protection and control, especially when considering chemical contaminants.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), under 24 CFR Part 200 (Minimum Property Standards for One and Two Family Dwellings), states that "Water that requires continuing or repetitive treatment to be safe is not acceptable. Individual dwelling water purification units are not an acceptable alternative but may be used to improve acceptable water." This means that those houses serviced by individual water supplies requiring treatment for quality will not be eligible for federal financing options such as FHA loans.

Thurston Public Health and Social Services Department, Environmental Health Division will not give favorable statements regarding such systems when water system evaluations for lending / financial institutions are requested.

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