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SENT VIA EMAIL

April 28, 2022

Fruit Land Orchard, Inc. Attn: Stephan Sikstrom 886 Highland Orchard Rd NE Bridgeport, WA 98813 *Email:* <u>ssikstrom29@gmail.com</u>

RE: Trust Water Donation No. CG4-26425C

Dear Stephan Sikstrom:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge the Department of Ecology's (Ecology) acceptance of your donation to the Washington State Trust Water rights program. The trust water right has been assigned file no. CG4-26425C. Please refer to this number when corresponding with us about this trust water right.

Benefiting Water Body	N/A	
Purpose	Groundwater Preservation	
Rate	500 Gallons per Minute (GPM)	
Acre-Feet Per Year	270	
Season	April 1 to October 1	

Under RCW 90.42.080(1) (B), Ecology accepts your donation, as summarized below.

* Applicant is retaining 100 GPM and 30 acre-feet per year for the irrigation of crops. Applicant is also retaining 25 GPM and 0.3 acre-feet per year for domestic use.

Trust Water Expiration Date: April 01, 2031.

In accordance with RCW 90.42.040(6), RCW 90.14.140(h), and RCW 90.14.215, a water right is not subject to relinquishment while it is managed within the Trust Water Rights Program.

<u>Ecology's acceptance of the donated water right into the trust water rights program is not evidence of</u> <u>the validity or quantity of the right</u>. When the period of trust ends, the water right will revert back to the water right holder or landowner in the full quantity accepted into the trust water rights program and as described on the water right certificate or most recent approved change authorization.

RCW 90.42.080 provides that the water right remaining with the donor plus the donated portion of the water right may not exceed the extent to which the water right was exercised during the five years before the donation.

If, prior to expiration of this temporary donation, you would like to extend the temporary donation, please send us a written request. Also, if you wish to modify any terms of your donation, your letter

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must include the new terms. Ecology will review your request and any new or modified terms and conditions and will notify you whether the donation can be extended or terminated.

If you have any questions, please contact Anthony DeJesus via email at <u>anthony.dejesus@ecy.wa.gov</u> or by phone at (509) 406-4873.

YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this Decision to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Decision. The appeal process is governed by chapter 43.21B RCW and chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do all of the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Decision:

- File your appeal and a copy of this Decision with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this Decision on Ecology in paper form by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in chapter 43.21B RCW and chapter 371-08 WAC.

ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION		
Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses	
Department of Ecology	Department of Ecology	
Attn: Appeals Processing Desk	Attn: Appeals Processing Desk	
300 Desmond Drive SE	PO Box 47608	
Lacey WA 98503	Olympia WA 98504-7608	
Pollution Control Hearings Board	Pollution Control Hearings Board	
1111 Israel Road SW, Suite 301	PO Box 40903	
Tumwater WA 98501	Olympia WA 98504-0903	

For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office Website: <u>http://www.eho.wa.gov</u> To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State Legislature Website: <u>http://www.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser</u>

Sincerely, Man

Trevor Hutton, Section Manager Water Resources Program Central Regional Office

TH:AD:aa (220436)

Enclosures: Your Right to be Heard

By certified mail: Sent electronically with read receipt, delivery confirmation/notification

cc: Lois Trevino, Colville Confederated Tribes – ecc