



Open Space Current Use Assessment

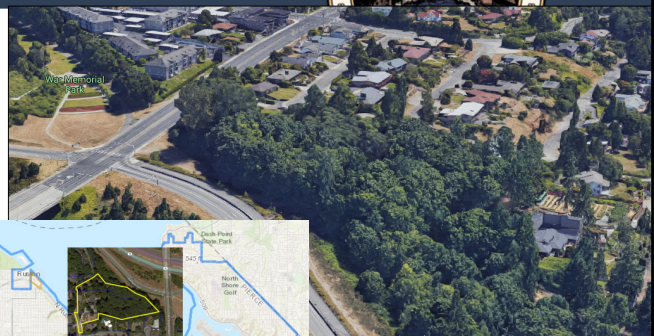
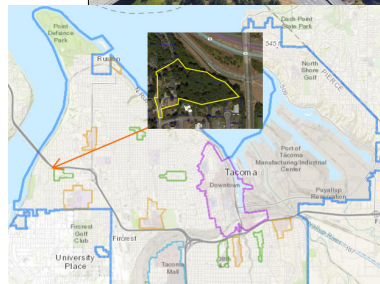
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OVERVIEW

- Application – 811 North Karl Johan Avenue;
Applicants: Karl and Christine Anderson
- Background on the Open Space Current Use Assessment Program



BACKGROUND



- The Current Use Assessment Program
 - Enacted in 1970 by the state legislature through RCW 84.34
 - Voluntary program to incentivize private conservation of open space assets valuable to the general public
 - If approved - the property tax rate could be reduced corresponding to Public Benefit Rating System
 - Owners may remove their property from the program at any time, paying back taxes and a penalty if they do so within 10 years of entering the program

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APPLICATION



- Property located between SR-16, North Jackson Avenue and Karl Johan Avenue.
- 3.13 acre; three parcels; 2 involved one of which will be excluded from OSCUA because of development
- Critical areas on the site
- Permanent conservation easement in place (with Forterra)
- A pleasant forest gateway to the city along the Scott Pierson trail entry and SR-16.

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