KITTITAS COUNTY Board of County Commissioners

AGENDA STAFF REPORT

AGENDA DATE: April 15, 2014

ACTION REQUESTED: Request the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) to authorize

Board signature on Department of Revenue form REV 64 0049,

Notice of Approval to Hear Property Tax Appeals.

BACKGROUND: The Kittitas County Board of Equalization (BOE) met on July 15th

2013 plus two other days as required by WAC 458-14-046 to hear taxpayer appeals. The Kittitas County Assessment Rolls were certified in November 2013 and the BOE received verbal authority from the BOCC to hear petitions beginning March 27, 2014. This would allow appellants from the west side of the mountains easier traveling and to not have the added stress of Snoqualmie Pass winter closures. The county Board of Equalization, with the approval of the county legislative authority, may convene at any time when petitions filed exceed twenty-five, or ten percent of the number of appeals filed in the preceding year, whichever is greater RCW 84.48.010. The BOE is unable to meet the last week of April due to trainings and office staff coverage. April 24, 2014 will be the end of the mandated

28 day session.

INTERACTION: The Board of Equalization respectfully requests the BOCC allow the

BOE to reconvene outside of our 28 day session to continue hearing

taxpayer appeals.

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize Board signature on Department of Revenue form REV 64

0049, the Notice of Approval to Hear Property Tax Appeals for the

Board of Equalization.

HANDLING: Original – Clerk of the Board

Copy – Board of Equalization

ATTACHMENTS: REV 64 0049

LEAD STAFF: Debbie Myers, Board of Equalization Clerk