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AGENDA STAFF REPORT

AGENDA DATE: November 15, 2011

ACTION REQUESTED: Request to set public Hearing for November 30, 2011 at 6 pm for the Voluntary Stewardship Program

BACKGROUND: The Growth Management Act requires Washington counties to designate and protect critical areas, such as streams. For the last 4 years, agricultural, environmental, and tribal representatives have worked on a new approach to critical areas protection for agricultural activities that the Legislature adopted in 2011 (ESHB 1886). Kittitas County has the option to opt into a Voluntary Stewardship Program in place of the requirement to protect critical areas on farmland through critical areas ordinance development regulations.

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