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Ms. Lindsey Ozbolt
Kittitas County Community Development Service
411 N. Ruby St. Suite. 2
Ellensburg, WA 98926

Dear Lindsey,

Thank you for taking the time to talk to me regarding our short plat proposal. I have lived in the Teanaway Valley for over 60 years. The piece of property involved in this proposal we have owned for 40 years. Here are the things we discussed:

We have water rights for this property to irrigate 22 acres. Using our attorney, Jeff Slothower, we intend to appropriate enough water from our water rights for two well sites for two homes on this acreage. Right now we have rented the water for 21.5 acres to Washington Water Trust for 3 years. We have donated water for .5 acres for this year only. We hope to have the SP approved with a note requiring proof of water at the time of the building permit application for one of the parcels.

I have some comments regarding the air photo showing the high water event from 2009. The water in our field was not from the Teanaway River. The Teanaway River is approximately 200 feet from our property. That was run off from the hillside north of the Teanaway Road. The old 3M Ditch runs on the north side of the Teanaway Road and catches any run off from the hill side. Originally there were 7 irrigators from the 3 M Ditch. During the high water of 2009, the river changed to a much deeper channel at the take out point in the river for the ditch. The ditch has not been used since 2010.

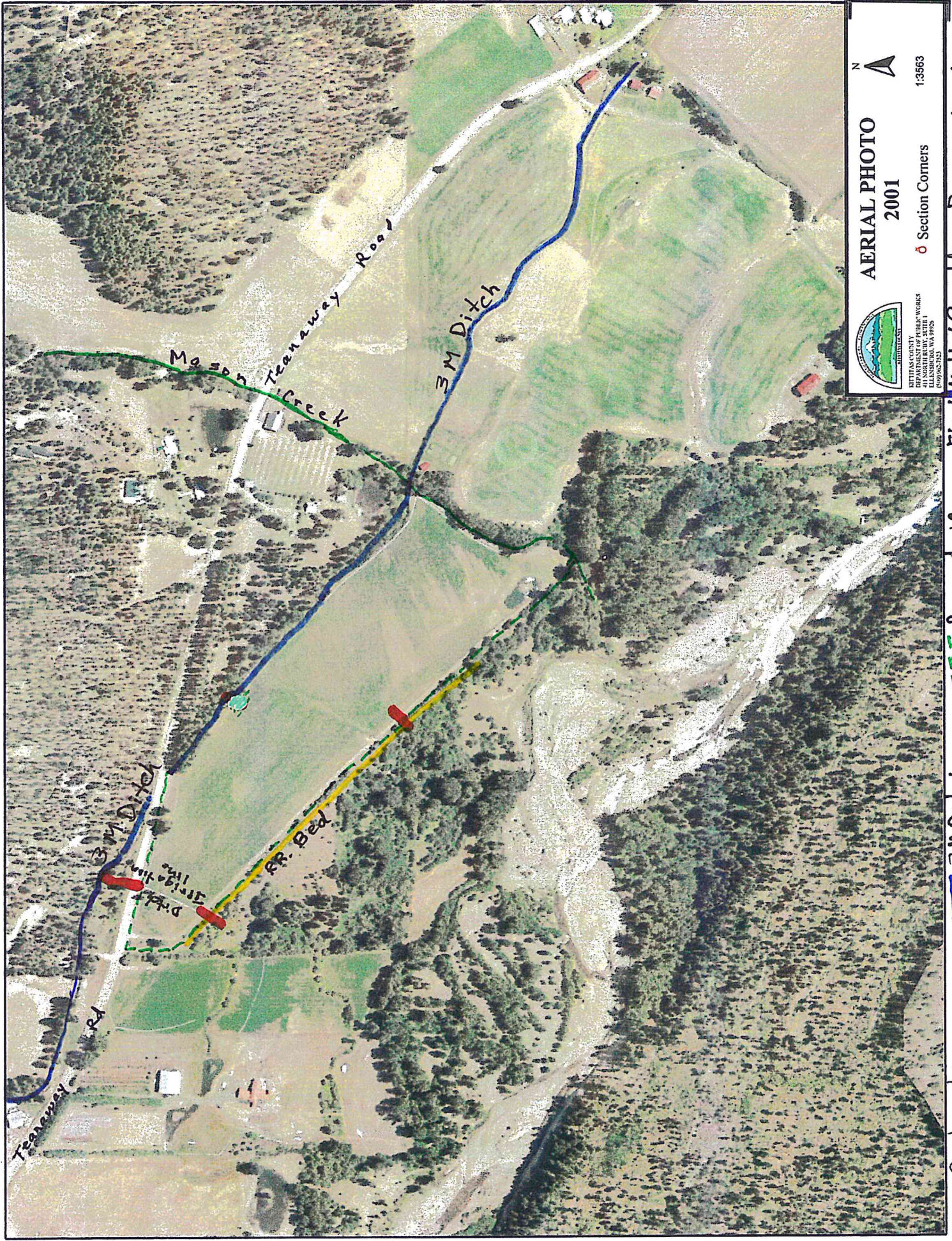
At the end of Irrigation season 2009, we did not shut off the culvert coming out of the 3M Ditch at the west end of our property, and the 12 inch culvert in the ditch allowed an outpouring of water to come rushing into our field. The foot of snow on the ground had frozen in the culvert going through Rosenberry's driveway to flow to the river. This backed the water up into our field and ran east to the next culvert that crosses under Roseberry's driveway. The map with the snow cover does not show our western boundary where the culvert comes under the Teanaway Road into our field.

The "dike" referred to by DFW is not a dike, but the old Boise Cascade Railroad bed. Boise Cascade logged in the Teanaway in the 20's and 30's. This is all that remains of the railway. Some places have a few remnants of railroad ties. This railroad bed is not on our property, nor do we control it.

I am attaching a map showing the things I talked about with you and explained in this letter. Please let me know if I can be of further help. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Geraldine "Jeri" Downs



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AERIAL PHOTO
2001
 Section Corners



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Culverts
 Mason Cascade RR Bed
 3M Ditch
 Mason Creek
 Property line on West of H & Geraldine Downs Land Section 14