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Brent Butler, Resource Stewardship Director Thurston County Planning Department 2000 Lakeridge Drive SW Olympia, Washington 98502

Attention: Mike Kain

Dear Mr. Butler:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) biologists and Thurston County Planning staff recently conducted one or more site visits to the locations/parcels indicated in the table below. These locations have permit applications pending, or requests for technical assistance in process with the Thurston County Planning Department.

Based on physical, environmental, and biological conditions on and near the project site, the Service has determined that no further site visits are necessary and that these projects, or portions of these projects, are unlikely to result in take of federally listed Mazama pocket gophers *(Thomomys mazama ssp.).* 

It is important to note that only the project or part of the project indicated in the far right column of the table below, is what the Service has determined will not result in take, or is unlikely to. If you or your staff have questions regarding any of these determinations, please do not hesitate to contact the Service before making a permit decision.

These projects or parts of projects require no further technical assistance from the Service as a procedure of the Thurston County permitting process.

# of Site Visits Completed	Parcel # and County Permit # (if known)	Property Owner or Other Identifier <sup>1</sup>	Address	Project or Portion of Project
3	11823420102 11823420103 2016100584	Apostol (AD)	8190 Union Mills Rd. SE., Lacey	Gopher/Prairie review: (2)
3	12718110200 2016100768	Batten 8427 (AD)	8427 Charmont Ln. SW, Olympia	Gopher/prairie review (7.67)

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3	12606120100 2016100613	Becker (HT)	4646 131st Ave SW, Olympia	Single family home (55.66)
3	9230013000 2016101295	Budd Bay Rugby Club (AD)	7749 Prine Dr. SW, Tumwater	Gopher/Prairie Review: Build a new rugby field. Site clearing to accommodate new rugby field. Site plan shows areas where trees are preserved (5)
2	23630130202 2016101484	Cascades Camp & Conference Center (AD)	16810 Deer Ridge Ln SE, Yelm	Gopher and Prairie Review- large lot subdivision (20)
3	40004400000 2015108199	Choi (SM)	5744 93rd Ave SE., Olympia	Gopher / Prairie Review: propose 32' x 60' addition to existing SFR (10.3)
3	11825240000 2015105814	Conwell Investments (AD)	3146 Marvin Rd. SE, Olympia	Gopher/prairie review (20)
1	54830003300 2016101691	Cummings/Winterbotham (AD)	121st & Hobby St. SE, Yelm (north of 12220 Hobby St. SE)	Single family residence (2.24)
3	58560005400 2016100874	Edwards 15724 (AD)	15724 Lindsay Rd. SE, Yelm	Gopher/prairie review: lots for sale (0.68)
3	58560005300 2016100869	Edwards 15734 (AD)	15734 Lindsay Rd. SE, Yelm	Gopher/prairie review: lots for sale (0.36)
3	55610023202 2016101352	Equity Funding LLC (AD)	4117 Prestwick Lane SE, Olympia	Gopher/Prairie Review: (5)
2	12610310102 2016101566	Felt (KH)	1240 140th Avenue SW., Tenino	Future Shop (6.09)
3	11715410603 2016101080	French (AD)	8838 Rainier Rd. SE, Olympia	Gopher/Prairie Review: SFR with detached garage /shop (10.47)

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3	09810001003 2016101428	Harris (SK)	17640 Crowder Rd. SE, Tenino	House/Shop/Septic (5)
3	36700002210 36700002211 36700002212 36700002213 2015105818	Hauk-well Investments (AD)	Vicinity of Denmark St. SW & 176th Ave SW, Rochester	Gopher/prairie review for future SFR construction (1.14)
3	13725410000 2016101433	Hodges (SM)	10945 Littlerock Rd. SW, Olympia	Riding Arena with Attached Cover (6.14)
3	11824220401 11823110103 2016100451	JK & TA Investments Inc. (TK)	8525 Pacific Ave SE, Olympia	Multi-family construction (13.21)
4	13631410202 2015106110	Johnston (AD)	10538 School Land Rd, Rochester	Gopher/prairie review: construct barn/shop (1.25)
3	12705330400 2016100828	Kinnaman (AD)	7226 Fairview Rd. SW, Olympia	Gopher/prairie review (1.62)
3	22621231200 2016101921	Lawrence Lake LLC (RS)	15617 Lawrence Lake Rd SE, Yelm	Forest Land Conversion (1.94)
3	12714140300 2015105841	Leslie Johnson (AD)	940 88th Ave SE, Tumwater	Gopher/Prairie Review: (2.05)
3	69300000100 2015107025	Loew (AD)	5338 Pattison Lake Dr. SE, Lacey	Gopher/Prairie Review (0.34)
2	65801200100 2016101507	Mateski	12104 SE Sanford St., Tenino	Gopher / Prairie Review - existing septic and public water connection(0.21)
3	13602430400 2016102012	Miller (AD) (Jacob Wilson POC)	13303 Littlerock Rd. SW, Rochester	Gopher/Prairie Review, future residential and agricultural development: (33.77)
2	12622210500 12622210000 12622210700 2016101222	Morris (AD)	230 156th Ln SE, Tenino	Gopher/Prairie Review (14.73)

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3	72580000900 2016101247	Pannette (AD)	5831 192nd Ave. SW, Rochester	Gopher / Prairie Review: 1-502 Producer / Processor metal building (0.54)
2	12728420200 2016101761	Pate (SK)	10805 Case road SW, Olympia	Pole Building - 24'x36'x14' (0.99)
1	12622410000 2016102006	Perkins (AD)	518 160th Trail SE., Tenino	Gopher/Prairie Review: Proposed SFR on 40-acre parcel w/ existing well and septic (74.38)
3	83750022200 83750022603 83750022900 83750022800 83750022501 83750022604 83750022601 2015105859 2015106084	Polo Apts./PC Property Investments (AD)	Dunham Dr. SE/Landview Dr. SE, Olympia	Gopher/prairie review: future multifamily home construction (9.84)
3	12636142000 2015108105	Sandas (TT)	18028 Mima Acres Dr. SE, Tenino	Danger tree review (2.52)
3	36700001910 2016100931	Sharp Brewer (AD)	9039 176th Ave SW, Rochester	Gopher/Prairie Review: (1.14)
2	11715110800 2016101949	Sherman (AD)	7224 85th Ln SE, Olympia	Gopher/Prairie Review - (5.02)
2	13736430300 2016101759	Sigman	12045 Shadowbrook Dr. SW, Olympia	Septic proposed for FMU (4.78)
2	22624220204 2016100747	Smith (AD)	15222 Rainier View Lane SE., Yelm	Septic System Conditional Site Approval, home (4.9)
2	11730210200 2016101614	Smith / Stotsenberg	10435 Old Hwy 99 SE, Olympia	Gopher/ Prairie Review: (5.33)

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3	46702300100 2016101265	Thorsen (AD)	12433 La France Rd. SW, Olympia	Gopher / Prairie Review: (1.06)
1	11712320100 2016101618	Truax (AD)	7920 Kamerlyn Hill Ln. SE, Olympia	Gopher/Prairie Review
2	65133106700 2016101920	Waldrop (AD)	8416 Thuja Ave. SE, Yelm	Gopher/Prairie Review (0.28)
3	12704140201 2016100984	Unwin (AD)	2240 65th Ct. SW, Olympia	Gopher / Prairie Review: Looking to sell to home builder once cleared. (0.4)
3	71103300300 2016100696	Wallin (HT)	10411 184th Ave SW, Rochester	Build a pole barn (2.67)
2	12707420700 2016101917	Williams (TT) (LO- Fourtner)	7811 Huetter Ct. SW, Olympia	Construct a 851 sq ft addition to an existing (1.75)

<sup>1</sup> Initials in parentheses indicate Thurston County Project Manager

These site determinations by the Service are valid until October 31, 2017. After that time, additional requirements may be in place through Thurston County or the Service to protect this or other federally listed species due to new information on or near the project site, changed site conditions, or changes in permitting.

We appreciate you working with us to conserve Mazama pocket gophers. If you have any questions, please contact Tim Romanski, Branch Manager, Conservation and Hydropower Planning at (360) 753-5823 or tim\_romanski@fws.gov.

Sincerely,

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