

1 [X] Hearing is set:
2 Date: Friday, April 2, 2010
3 Time: 1:30 p.m.
4 Judge: to be determined

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8 **FRANKLIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**
9 **IN AND FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

10 FIVE CORNERS FAMILY FARMERS,
11 SCOTT COLLIN, THE CENTER FOR
12 ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY
13 AND SIERRA CLUB,

14 Plaintiffs,

15 v.

16 STATE OF WASHINGTON,
17 WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF
18 ECOLOGY, and EASTERDAY RANCHES,
19 INC.,

20 Defendants.

21 and

22 WASHINGTON CATTLEMEN'S
23 ASSOCIATION, COLUMBIA SNAKE
24 RIVER IRRIGATORS ASSOCIATION,
25 WASHINGTON STATE DAIRY
26 FEDERATION, NORTHWEST DAIRY
ASSOCIATION, WASHINGTON CATTLE
FEEDERS ASSOCIATION, CATTLE
PRODUCERS OF WASHINGTON,
WASHINGTON STATE SHEEP
PRODUCERS and WASHINGTON FARM
BUREAU,

Intervenor-Defendants.

No. 09-2-51185-6

DECLARATION OF RON MAUEL

COMES NOW, RON MAUEL, and states and declares:

1. My name is Ron Mauel. I am over the age of 18 and competent to testify hereto.

I make this declaration based upon my own personal knowledge.

2. I am 55 years old and reside in Chehalis, Washington.

3. I operate a hay and beef cow-calf farm. I have owned the farm since 1992. I am the third generation of my family to operate this farm. The farm has been in operation for over 100 years.


4. I am a member of the Washington Farm Bureau.

5. Currently I have 95 mother cows with calves and 4 bulls.

6. I have surface water right for irrigation. However, I use an exempt well to water stock. I currently use approximately 8,000 gallons per day for stock-watering purposes. I have no other source of water for stock-watering purposes and without the water right created through the stock-water exemption I would be forced out of business.

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Signed at CHEHALIS, Washington on this 16 day of February, 2010.



RON MAUEL

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