agreed, and requested that this matter be placed on the Engineer's Agenda for the first Thursday's meeting in September.

RESOLUTION NUMBER R-61-77 REGARDING A PROPOSED TRADE OF REAL PROPERTY, BAYVIEW VICINITY

STATE OF WASHINGTON

COUNTY OF ISLAND

IN THE MATTER OF TRADE OF REAL PROPERTY) OWNED BY ISLAND COUNTY, FOR THAT OWNED ) BY GABELEIN, LANNING & CARLTON ) RESOLUTION NO. R-61-77

WHEREAS, Island County owns a tract of land described as follows:

That portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW¼ NW¼) of Section 17, Township 29 North, Range 3 East, WM, lying within a strip of land 175 feet in width, being northeasterly of and contiguous to a line drawn parallel with and 75 feet Northeasterly, when measured at right angles and/or radially, from the centerline survey of State Route 525 (SSH No. 1-D), Clinton to Lone Lake Road, and extending from a line produced northeasterly, radially to said centerline survey, from Highway Engineer's Station 313+00 thereon; northwesterly to a line produced southwesterly radially to said centerline survey, from the intersection of the North line of the South Half of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest quarter and the Northeasterly line of said 175-foot strip. (The specific details of the centerline survey of State Route 525 may be found on sheet 1 of that certain plan entitled Sundry Site Plans, Island County Pit and Stockpile Sites, now of record and on file in the Office of the Director of Highways at Olympia, Washington, bearing date of approval May 31, 1955, revised June 25, 1974) and,

EXCEPT that portion of the southwesterly 60 feet of the above-described parcel lying northwesterly of a line produced northeasterly and radially to the centerline survey of State Route 525 (SSH-1-D), Clinton to Lone Lake Road at Highway Engineer's Station 314+86.43;

TOGETHER WITH a temporary easement for access and utility purposed over, across and under the above-described Exception. Said temporary easement automatically terminates if this easement is established as a County Road. and,

WHEREAS, an offer of trade for the above-described parcel has been made by Mr. Verlane Gabelein, Mr. Bill Lanning Jr., and Mr. Gerald Carlton. Said trade would involve transferring ownership of property owned by them to Island County, described as follows:

The east 185 feet of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW¼ NW¼) of Section 17, Township 29 North, Range 3 East, WM, EXCEPT any part lying southerly of a line between a point on the East line 35 feet North 1° 06' East of the northerly margin of State Route 525 and a point on the West line of said 185 feet, 5 feet North 1° 06' East of the said Highway margin and less County Road.

TOGETHER WITH a well pollution control easement over that portion of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 17, included within the circumference of a circle having a radius of 100 feet, the center of said circle being described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of a line drawn parallel with and 250 feet northeasterly when measured at right angles and/or radially from the centerline survey of State Route 525 (SSH No. 1-D), Clinton to Lone Lake Road, and the north line of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 17: thence North 89° 13' 55" East along said North line 55 feet, more or less, to a point South of the existing well owned by Island County; thence North 18 feet, more or less, to said well, being the center of said circle. (Said pollution control easement to be in force so long as the well is used to furnish water for public consumption).

The specific details of the centerline survey of State Route 525 may be found on sheet 1 of that certain plan entitled Sundry Site Plans, Island County Pit and Stockpile Sites, of record and on file with Director of Highways at Olympia, bearing approval date May 31, 1955, revised June 25, 1974. and,

WHEREAS, the Island County Board of Commissioners have determined that this is a desirable trade provided all legal requirements for such trade can be met,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the necessary legal requirements for accomplishing the transfers and trade of these properties be accomplished and initiated by the Island County Prosecuting Attorney.

ADOPTED this 8th day of August, 1977.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

R. W. Christiansen
Delmon L. Anderson

ATTEST: E. Duane Kemp
County Auditor & Ex-Officio Clerk
of the Board



PETITION RECEIVED: HENNI/MONKEY HILL ROAD INTERSECTION

Commissioner Anderson noted receipt of a petition relative to the intersection of Henni/Monkey Hill Road, bringing to the Board's attention the hazardous condition at that intersection, noting that during the spring, summer and early fall, that it is impossible to make a safe crossing at Monkey Hill Road when going East on Henni Road. The petition also noted that when going South on Monkey Hill Road, making a left turn on Henni Road, it is not possible to see Westbound traffic on Henni Road. The Petition, signed by 58 people from within the area, requested that this situation be checked into and some changes made to make the intersection safe for all who use it. Commissioner Anderson commented that the County did cut the brush Friday which has helped the situation; however, they are further looking at the situation and have several different proposals, and stated there would be some action. Roy Allen, Assistant County Engineer, stated they looked at the intersection, and reported that 10 property owners would be involved (12 parcels) to clear the necessary right-of-way. An alternative under study at this time is to adjust the intersection to affect the least amount of property owners; two alternate proposals at this time would only affect one property owner. The petition was referred to the Engineer's Department for further recommendation and report, and a letter will be written to the petition representative.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES - CLEARCUTTING ISSUE

In the matter of the clearcutting issue as noted during meeting of 18 July 1977 during a presentation made by the Department of Natural Resources, the Chairman noted receipt of a letter, and requested same be entered in the record, as follows:

August 5, 1977

"Island County Board of Commissioners
Coupeville
Washington 98239

Gentlemen:

Bert has asked me to reply for him to your letter of August 1. We certainly appreciate hearing of your reaction to Harold Villager's efforts to present advance infomation to the County regarding Department programs in your area.

Your concern about clearcutting is understandable in view of the current public sentiment on the Island. I presume the clearcutting ban you suggest would be applicable only to the two parcels in current controversy; or is it your feeling that it should be applied to other forest land on the Island. In considering this recommendation, you should be aware that without some form of clearcutting the regeneration of Douglas-fir trees is impossible. The eventual result of adopting a silvicultural practice for Island County which would maintain a cover on the ground at all times would be the eventual conversion of the Island County timber type from the natural Dougals-fir stands to the less desirable tolerant species such as white fir and hemlock. There is an alternative silvicultural system called Shelterwood where the regeneration cycle is started by making a heavy partial cut which leaves a significant number of the larger trees on the land during the reseeding process. After the reproduction is approximately ten years old, the overstory is removed to allow the new trees to develop properly. When this practice is properly executed on land to which it is adapted involving the proper species of trees, intolerant trees such as Douglas-fir can be regenerated by this process while at no time leaving the land completely bare. The practice cannot be utilized on steep ground or in areas where there is a tendency for the plan to be taken over by brush. Clay soils and wet sites are usually not suitable.

In view of your request, we will take a look at the possibility of applying this type of practice in suitable areas on state land on Whidby Island.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph A. Beswick, Supervisor
Natural Resources "

The Chairman stated it was his opinion that the letter written by the Board to the Department referred to Island County as a whole in regard to opposition to clearcutting. Commissioner Anderson stated he did appreciate D.N.R.'s concern, but also noted that to say that fir cannot come back is not true. Letter placed on file.