3. Application of the Act will apply only to Federal expenditures and does not affect any State or local expenditures, i.e. private property owner would not have available federally subsidized flood insurance, VA or FHA loans in an area designated a site under the Act;

4. The Department of Interior inventoried 13 sites in Island County as candidates to become part of the System.

Island County has until 30 September 1985 to provide recommendations or comments to the Department of Interior. The Washington State Department of Ecology is preparing a report for the Governor, and should the Board provide a letter to the Secretary of Interior, with a copy to DOE, the Department of Ecology in turn will incorporate those comments within their report to the Governor.

A draft letter was provided to the Board with the Planning Department's request that the Chairman sign same on behalf of the Board addressed to the Secretary of Interior supporting the broad goal of protecting coastal barriers, but advising that Island County does not support the inclusion of those inventoried sites in the County for three reasons. The reasons outlined include:

1. The maps prepared by the Department of Interior are not accurate;

2. Inclusion of the sites will have substantial impact on private owners of such land, and therefore locally conducted public hearings should be held; and

3. Consideration should be given to utilizing the County's Shoreline Master Program as the vehicle for the identification and protection of coastal barriers.

Commissioner Bostrom moved the Board's approval of the letter for the Chairman's signature with regard to the Coastal Barriers Resource Act. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Kemp, carried unanimously. Letter signed, with a copy provided to the State Department of Ecology.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Madsen announced that the Department of Defense had completed work on the preparation of the Final EIS (FEIS) for Home Porting of Carrier Battle Group in the area of Everett. The City of Everett is assuming lead agency role under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) in reviewing adequacy of that document. A meeting has been scheduled by the City of Everett to consider the adequacy of the Statement, on 12 September 1985 at 7:00 p.m. at City Council chambers. The intent is to use the document as the Final EIS under SEPA, and public comment has been invited. A member of the Planning Department staff will be in attendance at that meeting to address Island County's concern that the EIS did not acknowledge some of the "spin-off" impacts on Island County.

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There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m., with the next Regular Meeting scheduled to be held on 16 September 1985, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

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A Bid Opening is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. on 10 September 1985 for Diking Improvement District #4, for Storm Water Outfall and Tide Gate. Bid results will be provided to the Board with a recommendation from the Island County Engineer, at a Regular Meeting.

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The Board will convene a Special Meeting at the Bayview Senior Center, Langley, to receive public comments on tax

assessment requirements, policies and practices, this evening at 7:30 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Wm. F. Dunlop, Chairman

Gary D. Bostrom, Member

E. Duane Kemp, Member

ATTEST:

Harry H. Ferrier, Island County Auditor
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board

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9 SEPTEMBER 1985
S P E C I A L S E S S I O N

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Wm. F. Dunlop, Chairman
Gary D. Bostrom, Member
E. Duane Kemp, Member
Harry H. Ferrier, Auditor/Clerk of Board

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Senator Jack Metcalf
Representative Mary Margaret Haugen
Steven Lundin, Staff Council, House of Representatives
Trevor Thompson, Director, Property Tax Division, Department of Revenue
Chick Arnold, Island County Assessor

Panel of Local Committee - Citizens from South Whidbey:
Jane VanNatter, Chairperson
Jim Wallace
Rufus Rose
Bob Porter
Laura McClintock
Dick Mohler
Senator Metcalf

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The Island County Board of Commissioners held a Special Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, 9 September 1985, at the Bayview Senior Center, located at 2845 E. State Highway 525, Langley. The special meeting was conducted for the purpose of receiving public comments on tax assessment requirements, policies and practices in Island County. In addition to those in attendance named above, there were approximately 100+ citizens present.

Chairman Dunlop made the initial introductions and outlined the framework for conducting the public meeting. The citizen panel, composed of the seven members above-noted, all from South Whidbey were present to provide some of the opinions and facts on behalf of South Whidbey residents which are of concern.

Island County Assessor's Presentation

Chick Arnold provided a review of the applicable WAC's and RCW's which apply to his office covering assessments, specifically: RCW 84.40.020 & .030; 84.08.010; 84.09.040; WAC 458-12-303; 458-18-120 (most of which were already covered during Commissioner Meetings held on 15 July and 5