

**WASHINGTON STATE  
HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

**September 29, 2021.**

A public hearing was opened remotely on OID# 21-92A, Colton D. Miller at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 29, 2021, Per the Governor's proclamation regarding the Open Public Meetings Act and Public Records Act (Proclamation 20-28) and due to extraordinary public-health circumstances related to the ongoing COVID-19 (coronavirus) outbreak.

Ms. Claire Petersky, Manager, Multifamily Housing and Community Facilities of the Washington State Housing Finance Commission (the "Commission"), stated that this is a public hearing with respect to a proposed plan of financing for the issuance by the Commission of its Revenue Bond (Beginning Farmer/Rancher Program) (the "Bond") in the principal amount of not to exceed \$450,000. The Bond may be issued in one or more series from time to time and may include series of refunding obligations.

Proceeds of the Bond are expected to be loaned to Colton D. Miller to finance a portion of the costs of acquiring approximately 603 acres of agricultural land located on the eastern side of Spuler Road, approximately 1 mile north of the intersection of Dewey Road and Spuler Road, and approximately 7 miles east of Lamont, Washington, in unincorporated Whitman County. All land, property, fixtures, improvements and equipment financed with proceeds of the Bond will be used for farm and agricultural purposes. The Bond will be issued pursuant to RCW 43.180.290 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

Ms. Petersky then opened the hearing to comments from the public. After hearing no comments, Ms. Petersky closed the public hearing at 10:15 a.m.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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**Per the Governor's proclamation regarding the Open Public Meetings Act and Public Records Act (Proclamation 20-28) and due to extraordinary public-health circumstances related to the ongoing COVID-19 (coronavirus) outbreak, participation in this meeting will only be offered remotely.**

**To join virtually, please go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us), go to "Join a Meeting," and enter:**

**Meeting ID: 858 9563 3488**

**Passcode: 630981**

**Participants who wish to participate telephonically, please dial either: 1-(888) 788-0099 or 1-(877) 853-5247 U.S. toll-free**

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The public is invited to attend the hearing and make written or oral statements concerning the proposed Bond and the project to be financed. This notice is published pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Code.

Written comments with respect to the proposed project and Bond may be mailed or faxed to the attention of Dan Schilling, Multifamily Housing and Community Facilities Division, 1000 Second Avenue, Suite 2700, Seattle, WA 98104-3601 or fax to (206) 587-5113, for receipt no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2021. Public testimony will be heard from all interested members of the public attending the hearing. The Commission will consider the public testimony and written comments in determining if the project will receive funding from a tax-exempt bond.

Anyone requiring an accommodation consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Multifamily Housing and Community Facilities Division at 206-464-7139 or 1-800-767-HOME (in state) at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing.

The results of the hearing will be sent to the Governor for approval.