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Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2006 11:32 PM
Attach: The Bureau of _Nature Conservancy_.eml; Nature Conservancy A Major Threat.eml; [Capr-discussion] Funding Environmentalists.eml; Nature Conservancy - More Extreme Environmentalism.eml; Fw_ [proprights] FW_ [olyfarm] Farmers rally to protect land rights.eml
Subject: Nature Conservancy and Other Washington Environmental Groups Claims of Tax Exempt Status
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Dear Ms. Hatcher - Office of the Attorney General and Attorney General
Rob McKenna:

I have received soliciting mail from The Nature Conservancy advertises itself as tax exempt. They also say the American Institute of Philanthropy and Charity Navigator both consistently give us high marks" in their soliciting mail.

The Nature Conservancy, in my opinion and many American private property owners, is one of the most destructive environmental organizations in the United States who are taking away our U.S. Constitutional freedoms, property rights, property usage and access. They are costing Americans billions of dollars by the environmental extremist policies.

The Nature Conservancy should not be a tax deductible group. Nor should they receive "high marks" from any charity watch groups.

Nature Conservancy while claiming donations as tax deductible is aggressively pursuing extreme environmental political action all over America as you can see in the attachments above. I am asking that the Washington State Attorney General Office investigate "The Nature Conservancy" for tax abuse in this State to stop this political action group from representing themselves as an environmental non political charity.

I have attached four articles supporting The Nature Conservancy extremism and political activism.

Also here is how big environmental business destroys our freedoms and our private property. <http://www.sovereignty.net/p/ngo/>

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This is only one of many super environmental groups that aggressively litigate, coerce or extort private property owners and city and county governments. Class action should be taken against all environmental extreme organizations in Washington State that are systematically using coercion and extortion to force local and county governments and private property owners, farmers, ranchers to comply with extreme environmental agenda.

Other environmental political action groups in Washington State that I believe should be investigated for taking undeserving tax exempt status are;

- Futurewise, ex 1000 Friends of Washington
<http://www.futurewise.org/donate>
- CELP - Center For Environmental Law and Policy
<http://www.celp.org/about/aboutus.php>
- WEC - Washington Environmental Council
<http://www.wecprotects.org/about/annual.cfm>

These groups claim on their web sites to be tax exempt 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. Yet these groups, e.g. 1000 Friends of Washington/Futurewise have worked with King County government to sue a King County private property owner(s) regarding a so called Critical Area Ordinance.

In my opinion, another example is the Washington Environmental Council which extorted Jefferson County in Washington to do their bidding, see attached email and news clip titled "Farmers rally to protect land rights".

Also some of these groups are showing income from grants.

There are other Washington State environmental groups and associated national environmental groups that are systemically pressuring small land owners, farmers, ranchers, hobby farmers, counties and city governments to follow their green agenda.

This is not right. These groups are becoming predatory. They are preying more often on small land owners and small budget governments. Often times the local government will join in with the environmental extreme groups and participate in the "feeding frenzy" on small local land owners, e.g. King County.

We need a state wide class action suit and strong legislation to reduce these

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environmental extreme groups ability to extort, coerce and force strangling regulation on small property owners in this state. These groups often have more money than the local governments and certainly any of us small rural property owners.

Thank you for your consideration on this very serious matter. I will follow this up with a printed mailing to your office.

Sincerely,

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"If once the people become inattentive to the public affairs, you and I, and Congress and Assemblies, Judges and Governors, shall all become wolves. It seems to be the law of our general nature, in spite of individual exceptions. "

Thomas Jefferson

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