## CFR 1048

Kenneth R. and B. Sharon Kerslake

# Century Farm & Ranch Program Application



Date5/31/02
Type of designation (please check)  Century Farm  Century Ranch
Owner's name KENNETH R. + B. ShARON KERSLAKE
Mailing address Redacted for Privacy
Redacted for Privacy TelephoneCounty
Location of farm or ranchRedacted for Privacy
Township Range Section 6
Original family owner(s) or founder(s) ROBERT KERSLAKE
Date (year) this farm or ranch was acquired by founder(s) $4-27-1893$
(Attach verifying documentation, see Rule 7)
Founder(s) came to Oregon from
Who farms or ranches the land today? KENNETH R + KUNTIS R. KERSLAKE
Relationship to original owner GRANDSON + GRANDSON
Are any of the original buildings still in use?    Yes    No    Listed on National Register?    Yes    Yes
If yes, please describe
MESON DESCRIPTION OF THE SEAL
History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch Beef Cows, Dairy berries +
Vegetables.
What is raised on the farm or ranch today? Vegetables, Cabbage, Cauli, Carro
How many generations live on the farm or ranch today? There is only I generation that Actuall
Please list names and birth years KENNETH R. KERSLAKE 1941

Please submit two or three pages of family history narrative. You are also encouraged to submit photos of the property.

 $(Please\ continue\ application\ on\ the\ back\ of\ this\ form.)$ 

## **Statement of Affirmation**

I Kenneth R. Ke	ErGLAKE DILLIGHT
hereby affirm and declare that the farm or ran	ch which I own at_
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in the County of MULT NOMA	,
	ast 100 years, as specified in the qualifications for the Century
	ber 31 of the current calendar year. Further, I hereby affirm
that this property meets all other requirements	s for Century Farm or Century Ranch honors.
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Signature of Owner	Date
Certification by Notary Public	
State of Oregon County of Multnoman	
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Be it remembered, that on this 3/ day of	
Notary Public in and for said county and state	
	known to me to be the identical individual described in
and who executed the within instrument and a	
_//C	executed the same freely and voluntarily.
In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand an	nd affixed my official seal the day and year last above written.
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OFFICIAL SEAL	Notary Public for Oregon
PEGGY J. JOHANSEN	
COMMISSION NO. 349647	My Commission Expires
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES SEPTEMBER 23, 2005	
Fees	For office use only
Application Fee	Date Received
(includes one certificate) \$30.00	Approved?
Additional Certificates (\$10 each) \$10.00	110
Additional Confidences (\$10 each)	A A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACT

Authorization

**OHS Library** 

MSS 1604 Program ID No. \_

OAEF project coordinator

Total enclosed

Make checks payable to Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation or OAEF M

## **Century Farm & Ranch Program Application Judging Form**

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## Kenneth & Sharon Kerslake Multnomah County

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£ 2.	Your farm or ranch must have been operated continuously in the same family for 100 years or more.
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A 3.	The farm or ranch must have a gross income from farming or ranching activities of not less than \$1,000 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding the application.
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RF 4.	You must live on the farm or ranch, or if you live off the property, you must actively manage and direct the farming or ranching activity on the land.
DSKD Sta	Yes ∅ No □
£ 5.	All applications must include verification of continuous ownership for 100 years. Acceptable forms of proof include a document (either original or photocopy) showing the date of earliest ownership. This may take the form of an official document such as a Donation Land Claim, Deed of Sale, or Homostoad Cortificate. Other records, subject to review
DNO SUSA	Homestead Certificate. Other records, subject to review, include Family Bible, diary entry, or correspondence.  Yes  No
D K & 6.	Applications must be signed and certified by a Notary Public. (Example on Next Page)
Kye RR	Yes ☑ No □

State of California, ss.
City and County of San Francisco.)
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a Commissioner of Deeds for the State of Oregon, duly appointed, commissioned and sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and residing in the City and County of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, State of Califorand sworn, and county of San Francisco, S
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Commissioner of Deeds for the State of Oregon in California.
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Commissioner Deeds for the State of Oregon in California.

### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:-

That we, Ellen McCarthy of Coolmore, Cork County,
Ireland, Catherine Fallon of Jersey City, State of New Jersey,
Bridget Fitzpatrick of Killenaule, Tipperary County, Ireland,
and Hannah Durkin of Kinsale, Cork County, Ireland, by Alex.

T. Vogelsang of the City and County of San Francisco, State
of California, our attorney in fact, and North McCarthy of
Adelaide, South Australia by Henry Lund of the City and
County of San Francisco, State of California, my attorney
in fact, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1) and other good
and valuable considerations to us paid by Robert Kusleky

ing bounded and described real property, situated in the County of Multonomah and State of Oregon, to wit:--

The North East Quarter (N.E. 1/4) of the South East Quarter (S.E. 1/4) of Section Six (6,) Township One (1), South Range Four (4) East of the Willamette Meridian, containing Forty (40) Acres more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and also all our estate, right, title and interest in and to the same, including dower and claim of dower.

TO HAVE AMD TO HOLD the above described and granted premises unto the said--- Robert Kuslake ----heirs and assigns for ever. And we, Ellen McCarthy, Catherine Fallon, Bridget Fitzpatrick, Hannah Durkin and Norah McCarthy, the grantors above-named, do covenant to and with the sain Rolf Kuslakes assigns, that the above-granted premises are free from all incumbrances and that we will, and our heirs, executors and administrators shall, warrant and forever defend the abovegranted premises, and every part and parcel thereof, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever claimimg by, through or under us. EN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and --- day of April, A.D., 1893. Signed, sealed and delivered: in the presence of us, as

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County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, of the age of Milhty one years, being mindful of the uncertainty of life and being of sound and disposing mind and memory and not acting under fraud, duress, hence, or the undue influence of any person or persons whomsoever, do make, publishm, and declare this to be my LAST WILL AND THAT THE IN the namer and form following, to-wit:

#### FIRST

KERSLAFE

It is my will and I do order that all my just debts and expenses of my last illness and funeral expenses shall be duly paid and discharged out of my estate as soon as conveniently can be done after my demise.

#### SECOND

I give and bequeath unto my son Illan B. Kerslake of Troutdale, Cregon Three Hundred Dollars in cash, unto my daughter Charlotte Oswald of Portland, Cregon Three Hundred Dollars in cash, and unto my daughter largaret Kerslake of Troutdale, Oregon Three Hundred Dollars in cash.

#### THIFD

I give, bequeath, and devise unto my son Robert Burns Merslake, after the bequests of the three beneficiaries named in paragraph Two hereof lave been paid in full, real property situate in the County of Multnomsh State of Cregon and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

All of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter Section Six, Township One South of Range Four Hest of the Willamette Meridian, containing forty acres more or less, till being in the County of Multnomah and State of Oregon, subject, however, to the use and occupancy of the lelling house, now thereon, by my wife, frace for the lelling house, now thereon, by my wife, frace for the lelling all of her natural life.

together with all personal property of which I may die personal property, however, any and all dects, and encepting from said personal property, however, any and all dects, dues, or obligations due and owing me individually or due and owing me and my vire, drace Herslake, jointly at the time of y demise, and also excepting from said personal property, any and all notes, not types, stocks, bonds, debentures or other securities of unich I may die personal, whether standing in my name individually or in the name of

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my wife, Grace Kerslake, and myself jointly, and also excepting from said personal property any and all household or personal effects in my home of which I may die possessed; all of said personal property, so excepted having otherwise been bequesthed herein in paragraph four.

## I'OURTH

I give, devise, and bequesth unto by beloved life, Grace Marglabe, for her sole use and benefit, all the remainder and residue of my estate, both real and personal, including all debts, dues, or obligations due and owing me individually or due and owing me and my wife , Grace Kerslake, jointly at the time of Ly demise; and also all notes mortgages, stocks, bends, debentures or other securities of which I may die possessed, whether standing in my name individually or in the name of my wife, Grace Merslake, and myself jointly, and also all household and personal effects in my home or wheresoever found of which I may die possessed, together with right to use and occupy , without payment of rentel therefor, the entire duelling house now in and upon the real property devised to Robert Burns Herslake in garagraph three hereof, during all of her natural life.

## LASTLY

I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint, my wife, Grace Kerslake , the executrix of this, by LAST WILL AD THSTATET, and of my estate , hereby revoking all other wills, legacies, and bequests by me heretofore made, and declare this and none other to be by LaST WILL LID TEST. TENT.

IN WITEESS MELEOF, I have hereunto signed and seeled this instrument end publish and declare the same as and for my Labr thin all Tashi tigh II Fresham, Cregon, this 10 th day of January 1935

CESSES OF COUNTY SPERK MULTHUMAN COUNTY STEERING FILED JAN 19 \1938 A. A. BAILEY, Clark S. Q. Chackens am

me foregoing instrument consisting of two pages, including the page signed by the testsor, was on the date thereof, by Robert Kerslake, the maker thereof, signed in our presence and in the presence of each of us and at the time of his subscribing said instrument, he declared that it was his WILL and at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other, we have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.



County of Mulinomah } ss.

I, Albert B. Green, Director, Department of Judicial Administration and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Multnomah a court of record, do hereby certify that the foregoing copy of ORDER

Thill has been compared by me with the original and that it is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original as the same appears of record in my office and in my custody. In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said

Court this 15 day of 

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ALBERT B. GREEN, Director, Department of Addicial Administration

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#### BARGAIN AND SALE DEED-STATUTORY FORM

INDIVIDUAL GRANTOR

Robert B. Kerslake

conveys to Kenneth R. Kerslake and B. Sharon Kerslake the following described real property situated in Multnomah County, Oregon, to-wit: Grantor, Grantee,

Section 06 1 S, 4 E, TL# 21, 38.80 acres, Kerslake Road,

All of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter Section 6, Township One South of Range Four East of the Willamette Meridian, containing forty acres more or less, all being in the County of Multnomah and State of Oregon. \_

HE SPACE INSUFFICIENT, CONTINUE DESCRIPTION ON REVERSE SIDEL

The true consideration for this conveyance is \$

. (Here comply with the requirements of ORS 93.030)

Dated this 28th day of April

, 1975

Robert B Kenslake

STATE OF OREGON, County of Multnomah )ss April 28 Personally appeared the above named

Robert B. Kerslake

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GEORGE H. McALLISTER and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be My Commission Papires Oct. 26, 1975

voluntary act and deed.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

Notary Public for Oregon—My commission expires:

BARGAIN AND SALE DEED

Robert B. Kerslake

Kenneth R & B CE Redacted for Privacy

fter recording return to:

McAllister c Redacted for Privacy

NAME, ADDRESS, ZIP

Until a change is requested, all tax statements shall be sent to the following address:

15767 S. E. 329th Boring, Oregon 97009 c/o Kenneth R. Kerslake

NAME, ADDRESS, Z.P.

DREGON TITLE INS. CO.

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#### SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That Betty I. Kerslake, Trustee of the Betty I. Kerslake Trust
owner and holder of the Mortgage and the obligation hereinafter described, do hereby certify and declare that a certain mortgage, bearing date the
the mortgagor therein, to Betty I. Kerslake Trust, Betty I. Kerslake, Trustee the mortgagee therein and recorded in the office of the Recorder of the County of Multnomah State of Oregon in book/resk/volume No. 1038 Record of
Mortgages on page 513 or as fee/file/instrument/microfilm/reception No. (indicate which) on April 30 19.75;

together with the debt thereby secured, is fully paid, satisfied and discharged.

In construing this satisfaction of mortgage, where the context so requires, singular includes the plural and all grammatical changes shall be implied to make the provisions hereof apply equally to corporations and to individuals.

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned has executed this instrument this 13 day of 192.; if the undersigned is a corporation, it has caused its name to be signed and its seal affixed by an officer or other person duly authorized to do so by order of its board of directors.

STAT	TE OF OREGON, County of) ss.	
	This instrument was acknowledged before me on	, 19
by		
by	This instrument was acknowledged before me on April 13 Betty I. Kerslake	, 1992
26	Trustee	
of	Betty I. Kerslake Trust dated May 26, 1988.	
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Notary Public for Oregon
My commission expires 1-20-94

STATE OF OREGON

Satisfaction of MORTGAGE

Kerslake

vs

Kerslake.

AFTER RECORDING RETURN TO
Kenneth R. & B. Sharon Kerslake
Redacted for Privacy

SS.

STATE OF OREGON

a Deputy for the Recorder of Conveyance raid County, do hereby certify that the within virting was received for record and recorded for the conditional county.

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witness my hand and seal of office affixed.

BBROK 2533 PACE 2499

, Recorder of Conveyances

M. Walker

Ken's grandfather, Robert Kerslake, came to Oregon in 1887. I don't really know a lot about him. He bought this place in 1892 or 1893. There was a house and barn and 2 acres were cleared. He cleared the rest of the place. He raised wheat, potatoes, cows and milked a few cows. We have been told he was a very modern man. Supposedly he had one of the first tractors in the neighborhood, but he felt something was wrong and it sounded like it was working too hard, so he liked to use the horses best. The family never talked much about him. He passed away in 1938. So Ken never knew him.

He and his wife, Grace, lived in the house that was on this place and then they built a house and barn about 1910 or 1911, around the time Ken's dad Robert Burns Kerslake (Bob) was born. This is the house we live in now. The original house and barn were torn down.

Bob built a house when he and Betty were married, as his mother, Grace, still lived in this house. She passed away in 1967. He raised potatoes, cabbage and berries. But his main thing was a dairy. They had to put the milk in milk cans for years then times changed and a truck with a tank came and picked it up and made it easier. They had neighbors and families that came and picked berries in the summer. The same people year after year. They had 3 children, Joanne, Ken and Rod. They grew up helping here on the farm. Ken always liked the farm work, but he didn't like to pick berries. His parents house burnt down in 1967. They moved into this house.

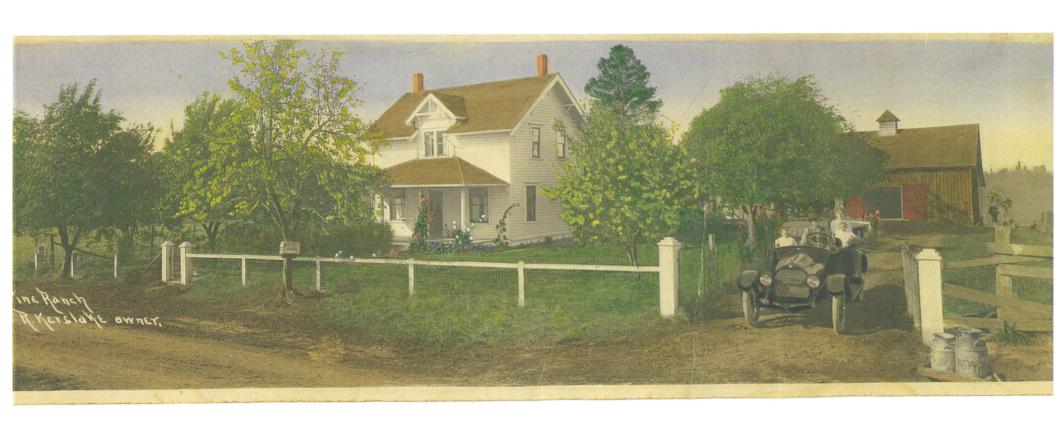
Ken and I were married in 1962. Ken had left home and worked in logging, as there wasn't enough money on the farm to support 2 families. But in spare time he raised potatoes here and his dad kept milking cows as it was a steady income. In 1970 Ken quit the woods and started farming full time. He and his dad raised broccoli for Flav-R-Pac and cabbage for fresh market. We still lived near Sandy at that time. In about 1972 Bob sold the cows and we started farming crops on a larger scale, we added cauliflower for the cannery also. In April 1975, we bought the farm and Bob retired. He and Betty moved up the road to a mobil home on another piece of ground they owned. We started remodeling the house. We moved here on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Ken and his dad were looking forward to our being here and Bob planned to work with Ken when he needed help. But it wasn't to be. Bob died on July 26<sup>th</sup>, he was out hoeing with Ken and all the grandkids. That kind of put a cloud over our move here for a while.

We had 2 girls, Becky and Robin and I boy, Kurtis. When we moved here Becky was 11 and Robin was 9. Kurt was 5. They worked planting, working fields etc. all the years of growing up. Becky and Robin both graduated from OSU. Kurt chose not to go to college. Becky got a degree in crop science and Robin in fashion design. Kurt just wanted to farm and that is what he had always wanted to do. We had grown quite a bit by this time in anticipation of Kurt and Becky both working with us. We knew we would need more income coming in, so rented more ground. Becky quit working with us when she had her first child but Kurt is a partner in the farm operation and he does most of the marketing. We have grown even more. We have bought another 100 acres and we rent about 230 acres. We farm here and in Hermiston, but this is our main headquarters as we pack our produce here. Ken and Kurt are both "hands on farmers". From breaking

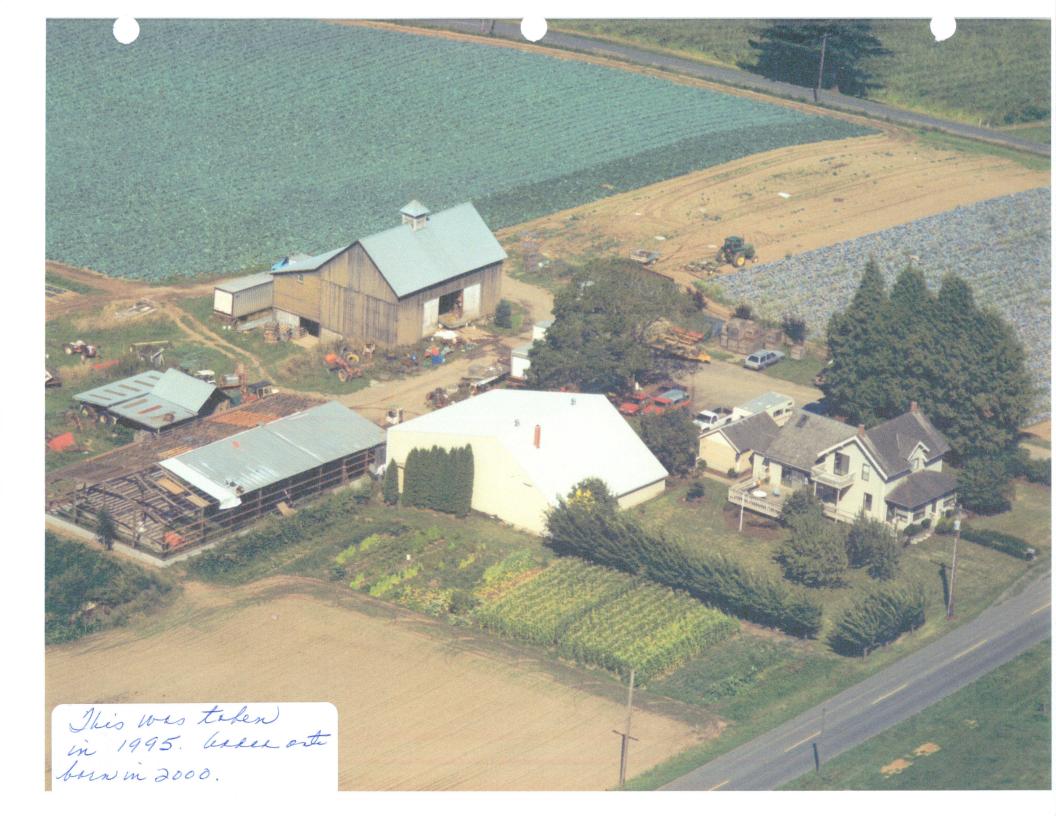
ground to harvesting to packing to delivery they are right in the middle of every phase of it. So Kurt is the 4<sup>th</sup> generation to farm here. He is married to Becky and they have 3 little girls. We have our daughter Becky and daughter-in-law Becky so it gets confusing Sometimes.

We are situated above the Sandy river on the corner of 302<sup>nd</sup> and Kerslake road. We have had a happy life raising our family on the farm. I believe a family is closer when they work together and share the good times and the bad times. Things have changed so much in farming. When we started you just had to concentrate on getting your crop raised and selling it. There is such a narrow margin now, that you have to try and have all bases covered. We have wells now, for irrigation, we can't afford to take a chance on loosing a crop due to dry weather. We plant specific varieties for the different seasons and also not to expose ourselves to winter freezes that sometimes come too early. Now with the large volume of sales and employees there is a major amount of bookkeeping which is a full time job for me. Our daughter-in-law comes up and helps with payroll and will eventually take over the bookkeeping part of the farm.

Kurt plans to continue farming. We are very near retirement age and do plan to retire, but Ken plans to work with Kurt just as long as he can. I don't believe he will ever totally quit, he will probably be bugging Kurt for a long time to come.



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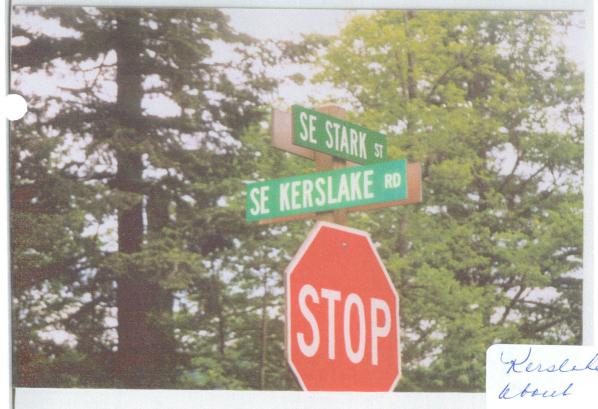






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We remodeled house in 1990.



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