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From the proposed boundary lines for The Evergreen State College campus announced last December which included some 1224.33 acres on Cooper Point Peninsula, the Board of Trustees of the new college will be able to select a final site well within the area desired, according to Trueman L. Schmidt, chairman of the board of trustees.

Schmidt said that the appraisal of the entire 1224 acres made by the State Department of General Administration was \$1,107,278 for land and \$302,251 for timber and improvements, totalling \$1,409,529.

The legislative enactment authorizing the establishment of the new four year state college required a minimum area of some 600 acres. The trustees felt from the beginning that an area greater than 600 acres would be required for proper development and future growth.

In drawing the final boundaries, the trustees will rely heavily on the advice of site development consultants, according to Halvor Halvorson, Trustee from Spokane who heads the site development committee of the board.

Development of road systems, waterfront and inland area, placement of buildings and many other factors will govern the drawing of the final boundary lines and acquisition of individual properties required, he added.

The total 1200 plus acres contains some 73 parcels of land individually owned. A number of owners have been asked to be excluded from the campus site and the board, from the results of the appraisal figures in hand, will be able to accommodate nearly all of these exclusions, Halvorson indicated.

Both Schmidt and Halvorson were high in their praise of Stanford Research Institute for their assistance in selecting the college site. It is apparent that in order to comply with a December 1 deadline for a site selection that the board and the Stanford Research Institute operated within an almost impossible time frame. The Cooper Point Peninsula site is spacious enough and within the means of the board to acquire within \$905,000 appropriated by the legislature

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for this purpose.

All criteria set by the legislature have been met or exceeded with the appraisal work completed. It now develops that the less general and far more specific criteria established by the board of trustees has been generously met, Chairman Schmidt concluded.

Halvorson also reported that his committee has recommended that the petitions for exclusion from the college site be granted to the following property owners: John C. Tate, David James Todd, Gerald R. Sandberg, Ronald L. Sliva and Theodore A. Roll. The committee will also recommend that exclusions be granted to the improved portions of the properties of the following property owners:

Jack R. Tracey, Leon E. Carlson, George Campbell and Forest E. Gilchrist.

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