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## **DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE**

**Description of proposal:** The Tire Pile Removal Project will entail the removal of all sunken derelict tires and tire features from the subtidal benthic floor at four proposed sites. Initially installed as artificial reef habitat, these failed structures are at risk of becoming a point source for microplastics and rubber degradation, having the potential of migrating into critical habitats and disrupting native vegetation and marine communities. Each site will be addressed individually, with Site 1, Tolmie Park Tire Pile, addressed first as a pilot site to better understand best management practices for subtidal tire removal. Upon successful removal of tires and tire features from Site 1, the additional three proposed sites will be addressed thereafter.

**Proponent:** Department of Natural Resources

### **Location of proposal, including street address, if any:**

Site 1- Tolmie Park Tire Pile: 47.123946 N lat. / -122.770139 W long.  
Township 19N, Range 01W, Section 23

Site 2- Burfoot County Park Tire Pile: 47.1325 N lat. / -122.9073 W long.  
Township 19N, Range 02W, Section 39

Site 3- Frye Cove County Park Tire Pile: 47.11675 N lat. / -122.9614 W long.  
Township 19N, Range 02W, Section 20

Site 4- Case Inlet Tire Pile: 47.261668 N lat. / -122.864879 W long.  
Township 21N, Range 02W, Section 36

**Lead agency:** Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21c.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

**There is no comment period for this DNS**

**This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from March 5, 2024. Comments must be submitted by March 19, 2024.**

**Responsible official:** Thomas Gorman

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**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

There is no DNR administrative SEPA appeal.