WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources

Peter Goldmark – Commissioner of Public Lands

CARING FOR
Your natural resources

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Mandarin Chicken Timber Sale, App. No. 84336, and Forest Practice Application No. 2810827. Even-aged harvest of 1,948 MBF of timber from 40.5 acres (41) acres. Proposal includes up to 1,565 feet of temporary road construction (to be built, then abandoned after completion of use).

Description of mitigation: See attached sheet.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources.

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Sections 13, 14, 23, 24 of Township 37 North, Range 04 East, W.M. Proposal is located approximately 16 miles north of Sedro-Woolley, in Whatcom County, off of Highway 9, and CC-ML and CC-35 forest roads.

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 Mitigated DNS.

[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from September 17, 2009. Comments must be submitted by October 1, 2009.

Responsible official: William J. Wallace

Position/title: Northwest Region Manager Phone: 360-856-3500

Address: 919 North Township Street, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

Date: _____ Signature: William Wallace

There is no agency SEPA appeal.

11/09/00

MITIGATED MEASURES

Mandarin Chicken Timber Sale, App. No. 84336

Streams:

4 type 4 streams with a 100-foot, no-harvest buffer.
12 type 5 streams with a 33-foot, no-harvest buffer.

Slope Stability:

Potentially unstable areas were bounded out of this proposal.

Roads:

Exposed soils on cut and fill slopes will be revegetated to lessen sediment impact to streams. 1,565 feet of road will be abandoned after completion of use, if built.

Green tree retention and wildlife:

An average of eight of the existing trees per acre has been designated to be left uncut on this proposal. Trees are primarily clumped throughout the proposed harvest area, as well as some individually scattered trees.

Logging methods:

Proposal will be yarded by cable and ground-based systems. Leading end of logs will be suspended during yarding.