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MEMORANDUM

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File No. 23-122901

TO: Stevens County, Planning Director
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Pend Oreille County Commissioners
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Conservation Northwest
Labor & Industries
Kalispel Indian Tribe
Spokane Indian Tribe
A. Painovich/R. Christensen, DNR
R. Nielsen/S. Butterfield, DNR

FROM: Tracy Cooper, SEPA Center

SUBJECT: **SEPA LEAD AGENCY & DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE**

This is to advise you that pursuant to WAC 197-11-900 (922 through 948), the Department of Natural Resources has determined that it is Lead Agency for the following:

Rufus Sorts Timber Sale #106090 and Forest Practice Application #3026808 is a sale of approximately 4,925 MBF of timber on 319 acres. The proposal includes 5,063 feet of road construction, 397 feet of road reconstruction, and 126,052 feet of road maintenance. Located in Sections 08, 16, 17, Township 35 North, Range 42 East, and Section 27, Township 36 North, Range 42 East, W.M., Stevens and Pend Oreille Counties.

Information about this proposal including the Threshold Determination, SEPA Checklist and Forest Practice Application can be accessed through DNR's website at:

<http://www.dnr.wa.gov/state-environmental-policy-act-sepa>

Pursuant to WAC 332-41-504, this proposal was filed in the department's SEPA Center at the Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington Street SE, P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington, on **December 29, 2023**. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on **January 12, 2024**. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, sepacenter@dnr.wa.gov or P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington 98504-7015 for distribution to the responsible official. Please include the file number listed above on all comments.