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# MEMORANDUM

January 9, 2024

TO: Skagit County, Planning Director Cascade Forest Conservancy **USDA** Forest Service S. Reinbold, DFW DFW Region 4 Dept. of Labor & Industries Natural Heritage Section Matt Comisky, AMRC Andy Ingram Other Interested Parties Muckleshoot Indian Tribe **Tulalip Indian Fisheries** Stillaguamish Indian Tribe Sauk Suiattle Tribe **Snoqualmie Indian Tribe** A. Mesman/C Coleman, DNR P. Ferguson/C. Dobey, DNR C. McDonald/J. Parker/G. Morrow, DNR

### File No. 24-010902

SEPA Register, ECY Forest Tax Division, DOR D. Lowery/B. Brokes, DFW Skagit Audubon Society C. Stambaugh-Bowey/M. Kuttel, DFW Parks & Recreation Skagit River Systems Cooperative **DAHP SEPA Desk** Stephen Kropp Kara Briggs Lummi Fisheries Tribe Nooksack Indian Tribe Samish Indian Tribe Swinomish Indian Tribe Upper Skagit Tribe NW Forest Practices/ N. Dudley, DNR B. Hamilton/A. Schmidt, 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:

Sarus Timber Sale #104686 and Forest Practice Application #2819242 proposal is a variable retention harvest of approximately 3,616 MBF of timber from approximately 119.2 acres. The proposal includes approximately 3,726 feet of road construction, 6,206 feet of road reconstruction, up to 3,601 feet of temporary road construction, to be abandoned after completion of use, if built, 3,129 feet of existing road to be abandoned after completion of use, and 11,081 feet of pre-haul maintenance. Located in Sections 24, 26, Township 33 North, Range 05 East, and Sections 17, 19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, Township 33 North, Range 06 East, W.M., Skagit County.

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 <u>January 9, 2024</u>. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on <u>January 23, 2024</u>. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, <u>sepacenter@dnr.wa.gov</u> or P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington 98504-7015 for distribution to the responsible official. Please <u>include the file number</u> listed above on all comments.