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MEMORANDUM

September 26, 2023

File No. 23-092601

TO: Lewis County, Planning Director
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R. Shoal/C. Gatz, USFS
Other Interested Parties
Southwest Clean Air Agency
Cowlitz Indian Tribe
Quinault Indian Tribe
N. Damer/A. Shafer, DNR
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Yakama Indian Tribe
Chehalis Indian Tribe
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Squaxin Island Tribe
J. Tapley/A. Lilla, 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:

Surface Mining Reclamation Permit Application #70-012730 proposed project would increase the mineral extraction and mining-related disturbance area within a currently permitted mine. Additionally, the total permit acreage will decrease from 60 acres to 57.4 acres. The site will be reclaimed to pastureland with a pond. The previous SEPA review was withdrawn to correct discrepancies between the onsite conditions and information included in the application. Form SM-8a and the maps have been updated to list the total area to be disturbed as 48 acres. Located in Sections 26, 27, Township 11 North, Range 02 West, W.M., Lewis County.

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

<https://www.dnr.wa.gov/mineral-resources>

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 **September 26, 2023**. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on **October 10, 2023**. 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.