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## MEMORANDUM

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File No. 20-101202

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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:

**Bell Boy Sorts Timber Sale #100457 and Forest Practice Application #2817716 proposal in a variable retention harvest and variable density thinning of approximately 4,503 MBF of timber from 110.6 acres. The proposal includes 3,084 feet of road construction, up to 2,520 feet of temporary road construction, (road to be abandoned after completion of use, if built), 46,452 feet of pre-haul maintenance, and 71 feet of existing road to be abandoned after completion of use. Located in Sections 07, 08, 09, 16, 17, 18, 21, Township 39 North, Range 05 East and Section 01, Township 39 North, Range 04 East, W.M., Whatcom 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 **October 12, 2020**. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on **October 26, 2020**. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, [sepacenter@dnr.wa.gov](mailto: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.