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## MEMORANDUM

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File No. 17-020804

TO: Interested Parties

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:

**North Fork Calawah Mass Wasting Reanalysis:** This is a nonproject proposal conducted under Washington Forest Practices Rules, (Chapter 222- 22 WAC), specifically for the review of new mass wasting prescriptions for the reanalysis of an existing watershed analysis (WAC 222-22-090) for the North Fork Calawah WAU. The Mass Wasting Reanalysis consists of an assessment, Module K, and prescriptions. The assessment identifies mass wasting hazards (i.e. landforms with landslide potential) present in the WAU and documents forest practices that have contributed to the occurrence of landslides. The prescriptions are based on the assessment and specify mandatory forest practices measures that are likely to prevent or avoid adverse future impacts to fish habitat and water quality in the streams in the WAU. If enacted, the proposed prescriptions would become enforceable rules for the subject area. Future proposals consistent with the approved mass wasting prescriptions would not be classed as IV Special FPAs for potentially unstable slopes and would be exempt from SEPA. Future proposals may trigger SEPA for other reasons, or may be Class IV Special if activities proposed are not consistent with these updated prescriptions.

**Location of Proposal; North Fork Calawah Watershed Administrative Unit in Clallam County. Parts of Townships: T28N R12W, T28N R13W, T29N R11W, T29N R12W, T29N R13W, T30N R11W.**

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 **February 8, 2017**. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on **February 22, 2017**. 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.