MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Arctic Cobra Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-097564 and Forest Practices Application No. 2935849. This is a Variable Retention Harvest with 314 acres in 7 units, with 8,067 feet of road construction, 12,240 feet of road reconstruction, 13,637 feet of road abandonment, and 1,425 feet of pre-haul maintenance.

Description of mitigation: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Approximately 9 acre(s) of the original proposal were excluded from the harvest area due to potentially unstable slopes.
- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) averaging 150 feet wide adjacent to the harvest area on Type 1 streams, RMZ averaging 150 feet wide adjacent to the harvest area on Type 1 streams, RMZ’s averaging 150 feet wide adjacent to the harvest area on Type 3 streams, and a minimum 100-foot RMZ adjacent to the harvest area along Type 4 streams have been retained to protect water quality, provide corridors for wildlife, and maintain habitat for fish and amphibians.
- Wetland Management Zones (WMZs) a minimum of 100 feet wide adjacent to harvest areas around wetlands between 0.25 and 1 acre in size, measured from the edge of the delineated wetland. These measures are intended to protect water quality, sensitive wetland soils, and to maintain hydrologic function and natural water flow.
- Wildlife tree and snag recruitment will be accomplished by retaining a minimum of 8 trees per acre, consisting of conifer and hardwood species.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal: Section 4 and 28, Township 07 North, Range 05 East, W.M., approximately 40 miles by road, east of Woodland, off the USFS 83 road systems in Skamania County, Washington.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[ ] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal.
for 14 days from ________February 13, 2019_________. Comments must be submitted by ________February 27, 2019_________.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.