MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Trumpet VRH RMZ Sorts Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-098366 and Forest Practices Application No. 2936042. This is a RMZ thinning and variable retention harvest with 3 acres in 1 RMZ thinning unit and 97 acres in 1 unit of variable retention harvest, for a total of 100 acres in 2 units, with 2,487 feet of road construction, and 2,487 feet of light road abandonment, removing approximately 2,993 MBF of timber.

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

- Approximately 4 acre(s) of the original proposal were excluded from the harvest area due to potentially unstable slopes.
- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) 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) averaging 176 feet wide adjacent to harvest areas around wetlands greater than one acre in size and 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 9, Township 09 North, Range 02 East, W.M., approximately 6 miles by road, east of Toutle, off the 4200 road systems in Cowlitz 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.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.