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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Fall Creek Trailhead Expansion #C30SP18001; is a one unit proposal consisting of 1.85 acres and removing approximately 48 MBF of merchantable timber. The harvest will clear the area for expansion of the day use Fall Creek Trailhead parking area. Road work associated with this proposal consists of maintenance of existing roads, construction of approximately 200 feet of a gravel access road to the parking area and construction of the additional parking area.

The following Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) procedures apply:

Northern Spotted Owls – This proposal is not within a Northern Spotted Owl Management Unit, nor within any Owl Areas, PR 14-004-120,

Marbled Murrelet – This proposal is within the South Coast Planning Unit, and follows the HCP Interim Conservation Strategy for the Marbled Murrelet, and the July 16, 2009 concurrence letter with the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). This proposal is not within any occupied stands, reclassified habitat, or released reclassified habitat, PR 14-004-320,

Riparian Management Zones (RMZs) – This proposal has one Type 3 stream protected by an average 186 foot buffer, one wetland greater than one acre protected with an average 186 foot buffer, and one Type 5 stream located within the wetland buffer. All buffers meet or exceed HCP commitments, PR 14-004-150,

Retention Trees – This is a conversion from forested area to recreation parking lot area. A leave tree group will be retained near the onsite bathroom structure, PR 14-006-090,

For specifics on all mitigation measures consult the SEPA document for this proposal.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources, State Lands

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: The harvest units of this proposal are located in Sections 24 & 25 of Township 17 North, Range 4 West, W.M.. This proposal's sale area is located approximately 6 miles west of Littlerock, in the Capitol State Forest in Thurston County. See the associated driving map.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources, State Lands

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 DNS

This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from February 21, 2019. Comments must be submitted by March 7, 2019

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There is no DNR administrative SEPA appeal.