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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Infrared Fire Salvage Timber Sale #30-098110 and associated Forest Practice Application No. 2420851; more than 200 acres considered for harvest was reduced to 178 gross and 174 net acre consisting of one variable retention salvage harvest unit and one associated road right of way, removing approximately 5,422 MBF of merchantable timber. Road work associated with this proposal consists of 39,557 feet of pre-haul road maintenance, 309 feet of required road reconstruction, and 5,469 feet of optional construction, and subsequent abandonment, if constructed.

The following Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) procedures apply:

Northern Spotted Owls – This proposal is located in portions of the Watson Creek, Washington Creek and Cabin Creek Stat 1R owl circles, but not located within the 70 best acres of any of the owl circles. This proposal is in non-habitat lands within the Owl Areas and is available for the full range of DNR silvicultural activities, PR 14-004-120,

Marbled Murrelet – This proposal is within the Straits Planning Unit and is adjacent to a 12.6 acre occupied marbled murrelet polygon. This habitat polygon was within an area that burned intensively in 2018 as part of the “Maple Fire”, but has been protected with a 100 meter buffer and timing restrictions during the Critical Nesting Period, PR 14-004-320,

Riparian Management Zones (RMZs) – Jefferson Creek and the Hamma Hamma River are protected with an average 172 foot buffers, three Type 4 streams are protected with a minimum of 100 foot buffers and thirteen Type 5 streams will receive 30 foot equipment limitation zones for protection. All buffers meet or exceed HCP commitments, PR 14-004-150,

Retention Trees – An average of 8 leave trees per acre will be retained in within the VRH unit, PR 14-006-090,

Slope Stability – All areas of potential instability have been excluded from the harvest area, PR 14-004-050,

Balds – Balds within the harvest area will be protected with leave trees.

Roads – Rock for this proposal may be obtained from the existing State owned 400 Road Pit and 2510 Pit.

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:

This proposal is located in Sections 2, 7, 18 and 29 of Township 24 North, Range 03 West, W.M. This proposal is located approximately 23 miles by road northwest of Hoodspout off USFS 25 Road via State Route 101, within Mason County. See the associated Forest Practices Application and 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.

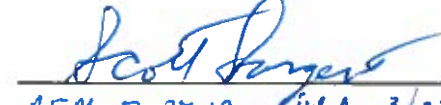
There is no comment period for this DNS

This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from March 28, 2019. Comments must be submitted by April 11, 2019.

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Date: 3/27/2019 **Signature:** 
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There is no DNR administrative SEPA appeal.