

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: The LIBERTY Timber Sale, Application No. 30-106233 and FPA No. 2707624, is a proposed 60 net-acre Variable Retention Harvest (VRH) of approximately 1,016 MBF of merchantable timber. The site will be harvested with ground based equipment. All the watercourses within or adjacent to the sale area were either bounded out of the sale or given an RMZ buffer. This includes an Np stream where the VRH option is implemented on approximately 30% of the reach per WAC 222-30-022; and leaves a buffer that meets the upper end of basal area requirement for the ponderosa pine habitat type. Existing forest road systems will be used with 7,290 feet of maintenance and 4,015 feet of reconstruction.

Proponent: Washington State Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Section 3 of Township 4 North, Range 12 East, W.M. in Klickitat County approximately 5 miles north of Appleton, Washington.

Lead agency: Washington State 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 DNS

This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from March 29, 2024 . Comments must be submitted by April 12, 2024.

Responsible official: Larry Leach

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Date: 3/28/24

Signature: 

There is no DNR administrative SEPA appeal.