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MEMORANDUM

February 9, 2023

File No. 23-020901

TO: Whatcom County, Planning Director
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FROM: Tracy Cooper, SEPA Center

SUBJECT: SEPA LEAD AGENCY & DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

This is to advise you that pursuant to WAC 197-11-900 (922 through 948), the Department of Natural Resources has determined that it is Lead Agency for the following:

Forest Practice Application #2818896 and Brokedown Palace Timber Sale #86386 proposal is an even-aged and right-of-way harvest of approximately 3,038 MBF of timber from 69 acres. The proposal includes approximately 4,665 feet of road construction and 965 feet of road abandonment, portions of which are in the Nuxwt'iqw'em Cultural District. Located in Sections 24, 25, 36, Township 38 North, Range 05 East, and Sections 18, 19, 20, 30, Township 38 North, Range 06 East, W.M., Whatcom County.

Information about this proposal including the Threshold Determination, SEPA Checklist and Forest Practice Application can be accessed through DNR's website at:

<http://www.dnr.wa.gov/state-environmental-policy-act-sepa>

Pursuant to WAC 332-41-504, this proposal was filed in the department's SEPA Center at the Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington Street SE, P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington, on **February 9, 2023**. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on **February 23, 2023**. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, sepacenter@dnr.wa.gov or P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington 98504-7015 for distribution to the responsible official. Please include the file number listed above on all comments.