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## MEMORANDUM

May 15, 2024

File No. 24-051504

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Tracy Cooper, SEPA Center

## SUBJECT: SEPA LEAD AGENCY & DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE AND ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

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:

This proposal is to establish sites for commercial harvesting of geoduck clams on state owned subtidal bedlands at the Alden Bank Geoduck Tract #02800, Point Julia Geoduck Tract #20020, Vinland Geoduck Tract #20750, Thorndyke Geoduck Tract #20550, Wollochet Harbor East Geoduck Tract #10800, and adoption of the existing environmental documents titled, *Puget Sound Commercial Geoduck Fishery Management Plan and Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement*. Located in: Whatcom, Kitsap, Jefferson and Pierce Counties.

Information about this proposal including the Threshold Determination and Environmental Assessments can be accessed through DNR's website at:

https://www.dnr.wa.gov/current-aquatic-resources

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 <u>May 15, 2024</u>.