

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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September 18, 2024

Notice of Final Determination SEPA

File No. 24-053001

FPA No. 2819518

Landowner: Timberline Logging Inc.

The Department of Natural Resources issued a [X] Determination of Non-significance (DNS), [] Mitigated Determination of Non-significance (MDNS), [] Modified DNS/MDNS on **May 30, 2024** for this proposal under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and WAC 197-11-340(2).

This threshold determination is hereby:

[] Retained.

[X] Modified. Modifications to this threshold determination include the following:

- FPA number changed from 2819391 to 2819518.
- Revised Question A.7 of the SEPA to add that the planned road will be used for future forestry/logging uses. Including but not limited to, equipment hauling, rock hauling, timber hauling, road maintenance, timber harvest, and silviculture activities.
- Revised Question A.8 of the SEPA to update the Geotechnical Report date to September 12th, 2024.
- Revised Question B.1.b of the SEPA- the steepest slope in the proposal area has been updated to 70 percent. Slopes greater than 70 percent have been bound out of the proposal.
- Revised the margin note for SEPA Question B.4.b to fix error in the harvest volume (mbf) to match the volume listed on the DNS. Updated volume to 45mbf.
- Added additional info to the margin note for SEPA Question B.5.b. Information supplied by the proponent indicates that the proposal is within 0.25mi of Marbled Murrelet Occupied Site; this has been verified by the Department.
- Revised Question B.7.b.2 of the SEPA to add that most noise would occur between 5am and 4pm at the site. This info is also listed in B.14.e of the SEPA Checklist.

[] Withdrawn. This threshold determination has been withdrawn due to the following:

[] Delayed. A final threshold determination has been delayed due to the following:

Summary of Comments and Responses (if applicable):

One comment letter from Zachary Griefen, Bricklin & Newman LLP, on behalf of the Lake Cavanaugh Trust, dated June 13, 2024. Concerns about the proposal include but are not limited to the forestland ownership status of the proponent, project revisions, impacts to fish/wildlife, cumulative impacts of future activity, water quality, slope stability in regards to alluvial fans, and impacts to nearby residents such as noise, aesthetics, transportation, and public safety. The Department is preparing a response to this comment.



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After reviewing the comment received, no new probable significant environmental risks were identified and the original determination of non-significance is retained.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.