



**DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES**

**ENVIRONMENTAL & LEGAL AFFAIRS –
SEPA CENTER**
PO BOX 47015
OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7015

360-902-1750
SEPACENTER@DNR.WA.GOV
WWW.DNR.WA.GOV

MEMORANDUM

September 4, 2024

File No. 24-090401

TO: Snohomish County Planning Director
 Other Interested Parties
 D. Lowery/B. Brokes, DFW
 K. Lee/L. Arber, DFW
 DFW SEPA Region 4
 Dept. of Revenue
 Skagit River Systems Cooperative
 Parks & Recreation
 Natural Heritage Section, DNR
 Nooksack Indian Tribe
 Lummi Indian Tribe
 Upper Skagit Tribe
 Snoqualmie Indian Tribe
 Swinomish Indian Tribe
 P. Ferguson/C. Dobey, DNR
 C. Coleman/A. Schmidt, DNR
 J. Parker/G. Morrow, DNR

SEPA Register, ECY
DAHP SEPA Desk
M. Kuttel /K. Lakey, DFW
K. Weilert/S. Reinbold, DFW
Matt Comisky, AFRC
Dept. of Labor & Industries
Cascade Forest Conservancy
Stephen Kropp
Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe
Stillaguamish Indian Tribe
Tulalip Indian Tribe
Muckleshoot Indian Tribe
Samish Indian Tribe
B. Hamilton/NW Forest Practices, DNR
N. Dudley/C. McDonald/A. Mesman, DNR
W. Crawford/B. Daugherty, DNR

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:

Cougar VRH VDT Timber Sale #106246 and Forest Practice Application #2819529 proposal is for a variable retention harvest with a variable density thinning component, for a total harvest of 4,480 MBF from 148.6 acres. The proposal includes up to 4,796 feet of road construction and reconstruction (of which 803 feet are to be abandoned after completion of use, if built), and 17,906 feet of pre-haul maintenance. Located in Sections 10, 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 24, Township 29 North, Range 07 East, W.M., Snohomish 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 **September 4, 2024**. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on **September 18, 2024**. 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.