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MEMORANDUM

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File No. 24-111503

TO: Jefferson 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:

**New Fox Timber Sale #107171 and Forest Practice Application #2618453 proposal consists of 16 variable retention harvest units, with a cruised volume of 10,744 MBF. It encompasses approximately 548 gross acres. Of the 548 proposal acres, there are 370 acres of Variable Retention Harvest (VRH), 156 acres of Riparian Management Zones (RMZ), Wetland Management Zones (WMZ), and potentially unstable slopes, 16 acres of Leave Tree Areas (LTA), and 6 acres of existing roads. Approximately 56,410 feet of pre-haul maintenance and 4,960 feet of new construction is proposed to provide access to the sale area. 1,050 feet of road decommissioning will be done after harvest. Rock will be obtained from Tower Creek Pit, North Winfield Pit and South Winfield Pit. This proposal will be harvested using ground-based and cable harvesting methods. Located in Sections 19-23 and 28-29, Township 27 North, Range 11 West, and Sections 21-24 and 35, Township 27 North, Range 12 West, W.M., Jefferson County.**

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

<https://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 **November 15, 2024**. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 6:00 p.m. **November 29, 2024**. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at <https://wadnr.commentinput.com?id=ZTQC4x2rtj> 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.