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MEMORANDUM

June 4, 2024

TO:

Clark County, Planning Director D. Lowery/E. Holman, DFW DAHP SEPA Desk DFW Region 5 Dept. of Revenue Labor & Industries Stephen Kropp Casey Gatz, USFS Other Interested Parties Cascade Forest Conservancy The Columbian Squaxin Island Tribe Cowlitz Indian Tribe P. Ferguson/C. Dobey, DNR J. Tapley/A. Lilla, DNR File No. 24-060404

SEPA Register, ECY M. Kuttel, DFW Ryan Ojerio Matt Comisky, AFRC Parks & Recreation Friends of the Columbia Gorge Howard Cohen Columbia River Keeper Clark County Natural Resources Council Conservation Northwest Washington Environmental Council Yakama Indian Tribe Chehalis Indian Tribe K. Jones/B. VonDracek/K. Williams, 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:

Penny Pincher VRH Thin Timber Sale #105955 and Forest Practice Application #2942437 proposal is a thinning, variable retention harvest and right of way harvest with a total of 198 acres in ten units, removing approximately 4,023 MBF of timber. The proposal includes 6,332 feet of road construction and 18,788 feet of pre-haul maintenance. Located in Sections 34, 35, 36, Township 04 North, Range 04 East, and Sections 03, 04, 11, 12, Township 03 North, Range 04 East, W.M., Clark 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 <u>June 4, 2024</u>. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on <u>June 18, 2024</u>. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, <u>sepacenter@dnr.wa.gov</u> or P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington 98504-7015 for distribution to the responsible official. Please <u>include the file number</u> listed above on all comments.