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**NATURAL
RESOURCES**

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: The proposal is for a new Surface Mine Reclamation Permit (#70-013303) for a 42.8 acre mine, of which approximately 13 acres will be disturbed by mining related activities. The proposal will remove aggregate material to a depth of 100 feet below pre-mining topographic grade. The site will be reclaimed to a forestry subsequent use.

Proponent: Vaagen Brothers Lumber, Inc.

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: The site is located at 2940 Leslie Creek Road, Chewelah, WA, within a portion of Section 12, Township 33 North, Range 40 East, Willamette Meridian, in Stevens County.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21c.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

There is no comment period for this DNS

This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from December 24, 2024. Comments must be submitted by January 7, 2025.

Responsible official: Casey R. Hanell

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Date: 12/23/2024

Signature: _____

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There is no DNR administrative SEPA appeal.