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MEMORANDUM

September 11, 2026 File No. 26-091102

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FROM: Tracy Cooper, SEPA Center

SUBJECT: **SEPA LEAD AGENCY & MITIGATED 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:

99 Bees Timber Sale #110311 and Forest Practice Application #SE-FPA-26-9041 includes approximately 598.5 gross acre proposal consisting of 8 harvest units. Of the gross acres 573.2 acres are planned for harvest, 13.7 acres have been differed from harvest, and 11.5 acres of existing roads. Harvest acreage is comprised of 56.3 acres of variable retention harvest and 516. 9 acres of uneven-aged harvest. Acreage deferred from harvest are comprised of 9.2 acres of RMZ/WMZ and 4.5 acres of potentially unstable slopes. The proposal includes 1,675 feet of construction, 9,370 feet of reconstruction, and 28,060 feet of maintenance to facilitate harvest operations. Post-harvest road work consisting of 5,140 feet of road will be abandoned. Located in Sections 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, Township 19 North, Range 16 East, W.M., Kittitas 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 11, 2026**. We will consider comments on this proposed MDNS received by 6:00 p.m. on **September 25, 2026**. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, https://wadnr.commentinput.com?id=s6rT4mCcV 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.