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## MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Centaurus Timber Sale, App. No. 93570 and Forest Practice Application No. 2815442. Variable retention harvest (VRH) of 5,700 MBF of timber from 125.1 (125) acres. Proposal includes 42,810 feet of pre-haul maintenance, 6,582 feet of road construction, and up to 1,695 feet of temporary road construction to be abandoned, after completion of use, if built.

Description of mitigation: See attached sheet.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources.

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Section 1 of Township 36 North, Range 5 East, W.M. and Sections 6, 7, 8, 16, 17, 18 of Township 36 North, Range 6 East, W.M. Proposal is located 11 miles east of Sedro-Woolley in Skagit County, off of Highway 20 and the SK-ML forest road.

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 Mitigated DNS.

This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from October 5, 2016. Comments must be submitted by October 19, 2016.

Responsible official: Jean Fike

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Date: 9.30.16 Signature: [Signature]

There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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## MITIGATED MEASURES

### **Centaurus Timber Sale, App. No. 93570**

#### **Streams:**

2 type 3 streams which have 156-foot, no-harvest buffers.

7 type 4 streams which have 100-foot, no-harvest buffers with the exception of road construction.

#### **Slope Stability:**

Potentially unstable areas were bounded out of this proposal, including some within stream buffers.

A Licensed Engineering Geologist (Forest Practices "qualified expert") made multiple onsite visits and identified unstable features which were bounded out from the sale area. Part of the office screening process included a review of the Forest Practices Landslide Inventory via GIS.

#### **Roads:**

Exposed soils on cut and fill slopes will be revegetated to lessen sediment impact to streams. 1,695 feet of road will be abandoned after completion of use.

#### **Green tree retention and wildlife:**

1063 trees have been designated to be left uncut on this proposal. This represents an average of eight of the existing trees per acre. Trees are both scattered and clumped throughout the proposed harvest area.

#### **Logging methods:**

Proposal will be yarded by cable and ground-based systems. Leading end of logs will be suspended during yarding.