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MEMORANDUM

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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:

Uncle Walt Timber Sale #93940 and Forest Practice Application #2815499 is a variable retention harvest of approximately 2,100 MBF of timber from approximately 124.8. The proposal includes 2,086 feet of road construction, up to 3,347 feet of temporary road construction to be abandoned, after completion of use, if built and 42,956 feet of pre-haul maintenance. Located in Sections 28, 29, 31, 32 and 33 of Township 40 North, Range 06 East, Sections 01, 02, 10, 11 and 15 of Township 39 North, Range 05 East, Section 06 of Township 39 North, Range 06 East, W.M., Whatcom 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 **November 8, 2016**. We will consider comments on this proposed MDNS received by 4:30 p.m. **November 22, 2016**. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, sepacenter@dnr.wa.gov 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.