

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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## DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: <u>Upper Rutsatz Sorts Timber Sale, App. No. 100459 and Forest Practice</u> <u>Application No. 2818383</u>. <u>Variable retention harvest (VRH) of 3,528 MBF of timber</u> <u>from 88.9 (89) acres. Proposal includes 2,140 feet of road construction and 17,070 feet of pre-haul</u> <u>maintenance.</u>

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: <u>Sections 33 and 34 of Township 39 North, Range 5</u> East, W.M.; and Sections 3 and 4 of Township 38 North, Range 5 East, W.M. Proposal is located approximately 6 miles, by road, southeast of Deming, in Whatcom County, off of S.R. 9, Rutsatz Road and ND-ML forest roads.

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
- [X] This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from January 5, 2022. Comments must be submitted by January 19, 2022.
- **Responsible official:** <u>Jay Guthrie</u>

Position/Title: <u>Northwest Region Manager</u> Phone: <u>(360) 856-3500</u>

Address: 919 North Township Street, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

Date: <u>12/20/21</u>

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_

There is no DNR administrative SEPA appeal.