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MEMORANDUM

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File No. 16-110103

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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:

Mill Wright Timber Sale #93904 and Forest Practice Application #2932522 is a variable retention harvest that consists of 114 acres in two units and a right of way harvest of 0.5 acres in one unit, for a total timber harvest of approximately 3,378 MBF on an estimated 114.5 acres in three units. This proposal includes approximately 3,987 feet of road construction, 18,956 feet of pre-haul maintenance and 1,242 feet of road abandonment. Located in Sections 04, 05, 06 and 40, of Township 08 North, Range 04 West, W.M., Cowlitz and Wahkiakum Counties.

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 1, 2016**. We will consider comments on this proposed MDNS received by 4:30 p.m. on **November 15, 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.