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MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Lollypop VRH and VDT Timber Sale #30-093477 and associated Forest Practice Application No. 2418976 ; more than 163 acres considered for harvest was reduced to approximately 153 net acres consisting of seven variable retention harvest units, one variable density thinning unit, and three right of way units, removing approximately 6,720 MBF of merchantable timber. Road work associated with this proposal consists of 30,366 feet of required pre-haul maintenance, and 6,304 feet of optional construction, and 65 feet of optional reconstruction, with the optional construction and reconstruction decommissioned if native surface is used.

Description of mitigation: The following Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) procedures apply:

Northern Spotted Owls– This proposal is not located within a designated Northern Spotted Owl Management Unit (SOMU) or within any Owl Areas, PR 14-004-120,

Marbled Murrelet – This proposal is within the South Coast HCP Planning Unit which has a Marbled Murrelet reclassified model. Portions of this sale are also within the South Puget Planning Unit which does not have a Marbled Murrelet reclassified model. There is a ¼ mile wildlife timing restriction that will be in effect in the eastern portion of Unit 2 that restricts operations during the critical nesting period. This proposal is not within any occupied habitat or unsurveyed suitable or potential habitat, reclassified Marbled Murrelet habitat or released reclassified Marbled Murrelet habitat, PR 14-004-320,

Riparian and Wetland Management Zones (RMZs and WMZs) – There are two forested wetlands that are greater than 0.25 acres and less than 1 acre in size that are protected with a minimum 100 foot no-harvest WMZ. There are four wetlands that are less than 0.25 acres in size that are protected by a 30 foot equipment limitation zone. The North Fork Porter creek is a Type 3 stream that is protected with an average 186 foot no-harvest RMZ. There are nine Type 3 streams that are protected with average 192, 186 and 195 foot no-harvest RMZs. There is one Type 4 stream that is protected with a minimum 100 foot no-harvest RMZ. There are five Type 5 streams that are protected with 30 foot equipment limitation zones. All RMZs and WMZs meet or exceed HCP commitments, PR 14-004-150,

Retention Trees – An average of 8 leave trees per acre will be retained in leave tree clumps in the variable retention units. A fully stocked stand will remain after thinning in the variable density thinning unit, PR 14-006-090,

Slope Stability – All areas of potential instability have been excluded from the harvest area, PR 14-004-050,

Roads – Rock for this proposal may be obtained from the existing State owned Five Forks and Porter Pass Quarries,

For specifics on all mitigation measures consult the SEPA document for this proposal.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources, State Lands

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: This proposal is located in Sections 24, 25 and 26, Township 18 North, Range 04 West and in Section 19, Township 18 North, Range 3 West, W. M and Sections 34 and 35 of Township 18 North, Range 04 West, W.M. This proposal is located approximately 12 miles by road west of Olympia off State Route 8, within Thurston County. See the associated Forest Practices Application and driving map.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources, State Lands

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 18, 2016. Comments must be submitted by November 1, 2016.

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