



**MEMORANDUM**

July 14, 2015

File No. 15-071401

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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:

**North Zender Timber Sale #91633 and Forest Practice Application #2814641 is a variable retention harvest of approximately 1,949 MBF of timber from 100.2 acres. The proposal includes 3,449 feet of road construction, 8,618 feet of road reconstruction, and up to 4,988 feet of temporary road construction to be abandoned. Located in Sections 20, 23, 33, and 34 of Township 40 North, Range 05 East and Section 4, Township 39 North, Range 05 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://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 **July 14, 2015**. We will consider comments on this proposed MDNS received by 4:30 p.m. **July 28, 2015**. Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, [sepacenter@dnr.wa.gov](mailto: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.