

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (MDNS)
PL18-0271

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mr. Steve Barnett filed an application for a forest practice conversion to harvest timber on a 5.76 acre portion of a 23.91 acre parcel. The applicant proposes to prepare the site for residential development. After harvesting the timber, the applicant will remove stumps and grade the site for residential development. The southern portion and majority of the parcel is located within the Rural Reserve zoning/comprehensive plan designated area. The northern portion of the parcel is located within the Agricultural-Natural Resource Lands zoning/comprehensive plan designated area. For additional information contact the County.

Proponent: Mr. Steve Barnett, 9469 Green Road, Burlington, WA 98233

Location of proposal: The subject site is located at 22373 Nita Lane, Sedro-Woolley within a portion of the northwest quarter of Section 35, Township 36 North, Range 4 East, Skagit County, WA (Parcel P50702).

Lead Agency: Skagit County Planning and Development Services

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. This determination is subject to the mitigated measures as identified below and shall be deemed conditions of approval of the land use and/or permit pursuant to Skagit County Code 16.12. Such conditions are considered binding and may not be altered by subsequent decisions unless a threshold determination is re-issued.

1. Skidder, tractor, cat and/or shovel yarding shall be prohibited at times of high soil moisture. Skidding shall stop if soil rutting exceeds 10 inches in depth.
2. Temporary erosion/sedimentation control measures, as approved by the Skagit County Department of Public Works, shall be in place prior to timber harvest, site clearing or any development activities. The applicant shall maintain all temporary erosion/sedimentation control measures in accordance with the Skagit County Drainage Ordinance. Said measures shall remain in place until completion of the project.
3. This project may be subject to one of Ecology's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES) permits. A Construction Stormwater General or Industrial Permit may be required by the Department of Ecology (WSDOE) for this project. Contact the WSDOE Bellingham Field Office at (360) 715- 5200 to determine if an NPDES permit is required.
4. Should any human remains, archaeological, historic or cultural materials be discovered during construction, work in the affected area shall cease immediately and the area shall be secured. Within 24 hours, of the discovery, or as soon thereafter as possible, the developer shall notify the Skagit County Sheriff's office, Skagit County Planning and Development Services, the Washington State Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation and affected tribes. If following consultation with the above parties it is determined that an archaeological and cultural resource assessment is required, the project developer shall retain the services of a professional archaeologist to prepare such an assessment. Project work in the affected area shall only continue when in conformance with applicable state and federal laws.

5. All stormwater runoff shall be managed onsite. All stormwater runoff and conveyance shall meet the requirements of Skagit County Code Section 14.32.080.
6. The applicant shall be responsible for ensuring that all development activities do not encroach into wetlands and associated buffers. Any impact to the wetlands or associated buffers resulting from timber harvest or development activities shall be immediately restored.

A Copy of this MDNS and the approved Department of Natural Resources Forest Practice permit shall be kept on site and made available to inspecting agencies during all phases of harvest activity.

Failure to comply with any of these conditions will result in all work on the site being stopped until the condition is remedied.

The Lead Agency previously issued a comment period for this proposal under the Optional DNS process outlined under WAC 197-11-355.

You may appeal this threshold determination by addressing those criteria as set forth in SCC 14.06 and 16.12 and then by filing such with the Skagit County Planning and Development Services for service to the SEPA responsible official within (14) calendar days after the date of the threshold determination.

Appeals must be submitted by July 20, 2018.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Planning Director

CONTACT PERSON: John Cooper, Natural Resource Planner

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Date: _____ Signature _____

cc: North West Clean Air Agency, Wash. Dept. of Archaeology & Historical, Wash. Dept. of Natural Resources, Wash. Dept. of Ecology, Wash. Dept. of Transportation, Wash Dept. of Fish & Wildlife, Skagit Co. Public Works, Skagit Co. Fire Marshal, Skagit River Systems Cooperative, Swinomish Tribal Community, Samish Indian Nation Tribal Council, Upper Skagit Tribal Council, Applicant

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