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STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

Determination of NonSignificance

August 30, 2024

Lead agency: Department of Corrections

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Description of Proposal: Washington State Department of Corrections Larch Correction Center has been closed. The proposed project is to decommission a solids storage lagoon from Larch Corrections Center's wastewater treatment plant. The proposed work includes excavation of the bentonite liner below the lagoon, removal of the berms that form the impoundment, and filling in the cavity to restore predeveloped drainage conditions. This proposal also includes work to abandon the wastewater treatment plan (WWTP). This work is limited to disconnection of the treatment train from the outfall, Infiltration/Inflow final repairs, and rehabilitation to reduce flow-through and disinfection.

Location of Proposal: Project is limited to the WWTP and lagoon at the northwest corner of the Larch Corrections Center, (15314 NE Dole Valley Rd, Yacolt WA. Section 20, Township 03 N, Range 04 E). The project site has no property address beyond the Center's general address.

Project Proponent: Department of Corrections

Determination: The Department of Corrections has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030. We have reviewed the attached Environmental Checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public upon request.

This determination is based on the following findings and conclusions:

No likely significant adverse environmental impacts were identified, and no mitigation is required.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2). *Public comments on this determination must be submitted to the Department of Corrections by 5:00 PM on September 14, 2024*. Comments should be submitted to the email address noted above.

Responsible Official: Darin Klein, Environmental Manager, DOC

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Signature | Date 8/30/2024

Appeal process: Any interested person may appeal this DNS by submitting a Notice of Appeal to Department of Corrections, PO BOX 41100, Olympia WA 98504-110, c/o Darin Klein. The appeal must be filed no later than 5:00 PM on October 5, 2024. The appellant should be prepared to make specific factual objections. See WAC 197-11-680 for SEPA appeal procedures.